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Tokyo Metropolitan Hibiya High School

School Profile

Tokyo Metropolitan Hibiya High School is a coeducational public high school established in 1878, making it the first secondary school in Tokyo. Renowned for its rich history, Hibiya High School remains one of Japan's premier public schools, offering a comprehensive education that emphasizes both academic excellence and holistic development. Our mission is to cultivate internationally-minded and independent students.

In 2007, Hibiya High School was recognized as a specialized institution aimed at preparing students for admission to top universities and was designated a Super Science High School by the Ministry of Education and Science. From April 2015 to March 2022, the school held the title of Global 10 School, and since April 2022, it has been part of the Global Education Network 20, a select group of twenty schools with a strong global focus. In 2025, the designation evolved into the Global Education Network School Premier 20. This prestigious designation provides students with opportunities to engage in programs that enhance global understanding and problem-solving skills.

Throughout its long history, Hibiya has produced numerous influential figures across various sectors of Japanese society, including a former prime minister, prominent politicians, celebrated artists, acclaimed novelists, and notable film producers. Distinguished alumni include Yorihiro Kojima, former president and CEO of Mitsubishi Corporation, and Susumu Tonegawa, a molecular biologist and Nobel Laureate in Physiology or Medicine.

Admissions: Entry into Hibiya High School is highly competitive, involving an interview and several tests conducted in both English and Japanese.

Grading systems and ranking: The school employs a grading scale of 1-5, with 5 being the highest grade. Grades are not weighted.

Subject Offerings: Students follow the Japanese National Curriculum and choose between a science or humanities focus in their third year. All students take the First Cambridge English Test during their studies. Elective foreign language courses include Mandarin, Korean, French, German, and Spanish.

As a Super Science High School, we offer an additional course called Inquiry-Based Learning, where students conduct original research on a scientific topic of their choice.

We provide an outstanding extracurricular sports and activities program, allowing students to discover and develop their skills and strengths in a supportive environment.

Graduation Requirements: The following course structure is typical for our students.

SUBJECTS	CREDITS	
	HUMANITIES COURSE	SCIENCE COURSE
Japanese Language	17	12
Geography and History	12	8
Civics	4	4
Mathematics	11	18
Sciences	11	15
Health and Physical Education	10	10
Art	4	4
English Language	19	17
Home Economics	2	2
Computer Science	2	2
Integrated Study	2	2
Inquiry-Based Learning	1	1
TOTAL	95	95