Discovery School

SCHOOL PROFILE 2026-2027



Founded 1993

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OUR MISSION

We prepare global citizens in a safe environment, equipping them to successfully overcome life's challenges, and excel in their academic pursuits and professional careers.

We focus on strengthening:

- Self-esteem
- Academic Excellence
- Critical Thinking
- Cultural Diversity
- Social and Environmental Responsibility

ABOUT DISCOVERY

Discovery School is a private, international non-profit school with a distinctive learning environment. Founded in 1993, it is located in a purpose-built facility in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, in Central America. With students from over **18 different countries**, our diversity is one of our greatest strengths.

HONDURAS **61%**

USA **21%**

OTHER COUNTRIES **18%**

Our campus is organized into five main sections: **Secondary, Elementary, Early Childhood, Specialist Classes (French, Art, and Music), and Administration.** It also includes the **Optimal Learning Program** and offers **Lower and Upper School Counseling.** The campus features a cafeteria, a soccer field, an open-air gym, a basketball court, two recreation areas for younger students, and a spacious green common area.

Our school was founded on the belief that **small classroom sizes, hands-on learning experiences, and inquiry approach** are pivotal for meaningful teaching and learning. These enduring principles continue to guide us today.

DISCOVERY AT A GLANCE

33 years of excellence

241 students

15 Average class size

5:1 Student to Teacher ratio

46 Full-Time Teachers

18+ Nationalities in the student body

100% College Acceptance

20+ After School Activities

THE WOLF WAY IS THE KIND WAY

Respect Diversity | **Integrity Creativity** | **Commitment Responsibility**

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

US STANDARDS-BASED CURRICULUM
Rigorous academics aligned with US standards.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)
College level courses that challenge and prepare our students.

INQUIRY-FOCUSED LEARNING
Students explore, question, create, & excel through discovery.

ENGLISH AS MAIN LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION
Building strong communica-tors & global leaders.

STUDENT SUPPORT

- Lower school counseling
- Upper school counseling
- Optimal Learning program
- Specialist Classes(French, Art, Music, Technology)

63% of the teaching staff have at least one postgraduate degree.

ACCREDITATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

ACCREDITED BY

Cognia

Honduran Ministry of Education

MEMBER OF

College Board

National Collegiate Athletics Association

International Association for College Admission Counseling

Association of Bilingual Schools of Honduras

Association of American Schools of Central America

The Association of American Schools of Central America, Colombia, Caribbean and Mexico

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GRADING SYSTEM

Letter Grade	Numerical Grade	Grade Points
A+	94-100	4.00
A-	90-93	3.67
B+	87-89	3.33
B	84-86	3.00
B-	80-83	2.67
C+	77-79	2.33
C	74-76	2.00
C-	70-73	1.67
D+	67-69	1.33
D	64-66	1.00
D-	60-63	0.67
F	0-59	0.00

AVERAGE TEST SCORES

SAT 1174

*Seniors 2025-2026

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECT	CREDITS FOR US PROGRAM (9TH-12TH)	CREDITS FOR HONDURAN PROGRAM (7TH-12TH)
English	4.0 credits	6.0 credits
Math	4.0 credits	6.0 credits
Science	4.0 credits	6.0 credits
Social Studies	4.0 credits	9.0 credits
Foreign Language	2.0 credits	6.0 credits
PE/Health	1.5 credits	2.5 credits
Fine Arts	2.0 credits	4.0 credits
Other subjects	2.5 credits	3.0 credits

The school year starts in early August and extends until early June. Students attend a **50-minute** classes per subject for **184 days** following National and International regulations.

HIGH-SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Art	AP Environmental Science or Environmental Science	AP Computer Science Principles, AP Drawing or AP English Literature	Pre-Calculus or AP Calculus
Biology	Art	AP British Literature or AP Human Geography	AP Human Geography
Integrated Math I	History of Honduras	Chemistry	AP Spanish Literature & Culture
Language Arts	Integrated Math II	History of Cultures	Contemporary History
Music	Language Arts	Integrated Math III	Physics
Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	U.S. History
Spanish Social Studies	Sociology Psychology	Philosophy Political Science	College Placement
Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	AP Drawing
World History II	Technology	College Placement	Spanish Social Studies
Technology		Technology	Technology

****These courses can be taken during the 11th or 12th grade.**

*****Students may choose to take an alternative AP course through independent study.**

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Discovery School grants a High School diploma **with U.S. certification** to students who have successfully completed at least **24 credits (grades 9th-12th)**.

It also offers students the option of earning the national degree of Bachillerato Internacional en Ciencias y Humanidades granted by the Honduran Ministry of Education by completing additional credits.

The Advanced Placement International Diploma (APID) is also available for those students who meet the requirements.

One credit is earned for each full-year course. One-half credit is earned for a semester course.

GRADING SYSTEM, GPA, AND RANKING

Discovery School uses a **100-point scale grading system** for all academic subjects and complies with the curricular and assesment standards of the Honduran Ministry of Education.

Discovery School does not assign class rankings but recognizes academic excellence through Honor Roll, High Honor Roll, Valedictorian, and Salutatorian distinctions.

The Class of 2026 consisted of 12 students. **AP courses that achieve scores above 80% receive a 10% bonus**, reflecting the rigor of these classes. GPAs are reported quarterly on report cards, though they are not included on official transcripts.

AP EXAM RESULTS 2025-2026

21 candidates took

a total of **33 AP Exams**

in 6 different subjects

73% of AP testers scored a 3 or higher

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our students are given opportunities to experience the culture and countryside of their host country, with academic field trips and community service opportunities within Honduras. This school year we are offering the following after school activities:

- Basketball I & II
- Soccer I
- Choir
- Language Arts Club
- Community Service Club
- Chess Club
- Track & Field
- Model UN
- Volleyball Girls I & II
- Jazz Band
- French
- Art Club
- Spanish Language Arts Club
- Math Olympics Club
- Homework Club

VALEDICTORIAN AWARD

Highest GPA in the Senior class for the last 4 years in High School.

SALUTATORIAN AWARD

Second highest GPA in the Senior class for the last 4 years in High School.

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

Honors graduating elementary, middle and high school students for their achievement and hard work.

AP EXAM RESULTS 2026-2027

AP CLASSES OFFERED

COURSE	STUDENTS	SCORES
AP Computer Science Principles	4	2 5 5 5
AP Drawing	4	3 4 4 5
AP Environmental Science	3	2 3 4
AP English Language	8	3 3 4 4 4 4 5 5
AP Human Geography	9	1 2 2 2 2 2 2 3 4
AP Spanish Literature	5	3 4 5 5 5

MAP TESTING

Research and data-driven decisions have become an important part of our academic program.

The Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) is administered twice a year to our students in Kindergarten through Grade 10. This supports, guides, and validates our core curriculum.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES ACCEPTANCES 2014-2026

United States of America
Northeastern University
Babson College (Massachusetts)
Bentley University
Augustana University
University of North Florida
Seattle University
Loyola University (Chicago)
Baylor University
Kentucky University (Kentucky)
Kansas State University
Loyola University (Louisiana)
Syracusse University
Louisiana State University (Louisiana)
Louisiana Tech
Uconn
Penn State University
Purdue University (Indiana)
Rollins College (Florida)
Boston University
Texas Tech
University of Washington
New York University
The University of Richmond (Virginia)
UC Berkeley (California)
Michigan State University
University of New Orleans
University of Cincinnati
University of Oregon
Illinois College
Adelphi University
University of Tampa
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Barry University
Missouri Southern State University
Lone Star College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Japan
Waseda University
Human Academy Japanese Language School

Costa Rica
Texas Tech University

Canada
Lakehead University
Dalhousie University
Thompson Rivers University
University of Guelph
University of British Columbia
University of New Brunswick
Humber College

Mexico
Universidad Anáhuac
Universidad de las Américas Puebla - UDLAP
Universidad Panamericana, D.F.
Tecnológico de Monterrey

Honduras
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras (UNAH)
Universidad Tecnológica Centroamericana (UNITEC)
Universidad Zamorano

Germany
Gisma Business School
Constructor University
BWS Germanlingua
Berlin International University of Applied Science

Spain
Toulouse Business School
Universidad Europea del Atlántico
EU Business School
Universidad de Navarra
CEU

Italy
Instituto Marangoni Milan
Universitat di Pavia

England
University of West England Bristol
Coventry University
University of Sheffield
Birmingham University
UWE Bristol
Binghamton University

Bold-Scholarships ***Gold-Admissions***

SY 2025–2026
12 Students • $7.58M in Scholarships