

Hiroshima Bunkyo High School aiming to be the World's Original School with Diversity

Akira Yoshimura

Hiroshima Bunkyo High School has established five distinctive classes in 2018. Each class aims to make students' dreams come true.

1. Super Advanced Class

This class aims for admission to the most difficult public and private universities, such as *Tokyo* University, *Kyoto* University, *Keio* University and *Waseda* University. Also, students can try to get into a medical faculty. In addition, we give high priority to foreign university admission through mid-term studying abroad, and educate people who take an active part in global society. As for English and mathematics, classes consist of up to ten students, which enhances students' performance by using materials and methods suitable for individual academic ability. Students go to *Kawai-Juku*, a major preparatory school, throughout the year and take special lectures on entrance examination preparation. We partner with Berlitz, a prominent language school in the world and invite native English lecturers to our school for lessons. A scholarship system is arranged, which includes tuition exemption, subscription fee for preparatory school, and study abroad fee.

2. Advanced Class

This class aims for admission to outstanding national or public universities, or private universities. By the end of 11th grade, students master each subject and take classes and extra lessons specialized for entrance examination. Also, they can take lectures by a major preparatory school in our school. We also focus on acquiring qualifications like the EIKEN Test in Practical English Proficiency. In order to support students, we hold lectures for the EIKEN Test twice a week.

3. Education Class

This class consists of students who are eager to be teachers in kindergarten, nursery school, elementary school, junior high school, and high school. In collaboration with Hiroshima Bunkyo University, and through seven years consistent education in high school and university, we aim for students to be prominent teachers in the future. In addition to regular classes, students learn educational theory and practical skills in special classes.

4. Sports and Culture Class

This class recruits good students who are also skilled in sport or are excellent in various fields. We foster athletes and coaches to work nationally, and artists and women of culture. We also accept returnees and students who want to learn Japanese from overseas. Bunkyo students from China and Southeast Asia are steadily improving their Japanese proficiency. This class adopts a credit-based system, which means students get credits required in order to graduate from high school. Students can take other subjects such as sports theory, lectures by experts in respective fields, and Japanese lectures as a foreign language. Receiving the required credits, students can make the best use of time. We have a dormitory and support you both mentally and physically.

5. Basic Class

This class is a diverse course including entering university and college, or finding employment. A Japanese manners class which has been taught for 70 years gives students knowledge of wearing a *yukata*, how to properly greet, and *Chaka-do*. Because of the era of globalization, we encourage traditional Japanese which must not be forgotten. After 7 periods of classes, students usually join club activities for two hours. In order to develop people with useful skills, students can choose the destination of their school trip; Taiwan, Canada, and other countries. Each course has different itineraries, so students choose their own course depending on their intention.

Bunkyo High School attracts students by having advanced education using Information and Communication Technology. All students have their own iPad and make good use of them in class and at home. For instance, you can watch lectures whenever you want, or you can take speaking lessons through skype. 90% of the staff are fulltime workers, which means we are keeping in mind the detailed attention required for student guidance and counseling. Compared with other high schools, we have no bullying problems and an excellent attendance record for students.