# 2025 - 2026

## S C H O O L P R O F I L E



Açı Schools aim to nurture individuals who possess 21st-century skills, uphold universal values and embrace global citizenship, adapt to a changing world, and contribute meaningfully to society, while maintaining a strong sense of well-being.

**GRADUATING CLASS SIZE: 74** 

**CEEB:** 696342

**UCAS:** 45979

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#### The School

Aci High School, established in 1999 as a co-educational university preparatory day school, is a part of Aci Schools, which is comprised of 3 pre-schools and 2 primary schools all located in Istanbul. Aci High School graduated its inaugural class in 2011. Aci High School is committed to developing well-rounded students who embody educational, social, and personal excellence. Aci High School is accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and is a registered centre for Cambridge International Exams (CIE), DELF, DELE and the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) exams.

#### Mission and Vision

The mission of Aci High School is to equip students with 21st-century skills and to empower them to pursue higher education at the world's most competitive institutions.

Aci High School's vision is to offer differentiated programs and learning opportunities that meet the individual learning needs of its students, prepare students for the ever-changing demands of the workplace, and raise each student's social awareness to instil a strong sense of social responsibility.

#### **Admission and Student Body**

Approximately 97% of Aci High School's student body consists of Aci Middle School graduates. However, attending Aci Middle School does not guarantee students a place in the high school; the average of all final grades in grades 6-8 may not fall below 77% if a student wishes to qualify for the high school.

The current enrolment is 284 students (154 girls and 130 boys). The senior class consists of 74 students. The overall student-teacher ratio is 6:1. In 2025, 99% of Aci High School graduates were accepted into 4-year universities and chose to attend them–72% of these students enrolled abroad.

#### Faculty

There are 61 faculty members at Aci High School, 45 % of whom hold advanced degrees. The average teaching experience of faculty members is 17 years. Additionally, faculty members of several distinguished universities in Turkey guest lecture on specialized topics such as Economics, International Relations, Law and Neuroscience and Psychiatry.

#### **Academics**

The requirements of the rigorous Turkish National Curriculum are fully met at Aci High School. The combination of the school's core curriculum with one of two possible concentrations allows. Students to meet these requirements while being able to select course tracks that match their interests and abilities. The core curriculum consists of Turkish Literature, English Literature, History, and Mathematics. At the beginning of 11th grade, students choose a track (or "concentration") for the final two years of high school in either Science and Mathematics or Languages and Mathematics. While students are free to choose whichever track appeals to them, they may not choose lessons within the track.

Aci High School's Foreign Languages program is particularly strong. Intensive, immersive English lessons as well as high-level French/Spanish lessons are required components of the program. All students take the IGCSE English as a Second Language or IGCSE English as a First Language exam after grade 9. Students also take the IGCSE in Information and Communication Technology at the end of grade 10. 14 AP courses are offered in English in grades 11 and 12. Furthermore, to equip each student with 21st-century skills, Aci Schools uses a comprehensive online curriculum system and requires the use of iPads in the classroom.

All grade 12 students are awarded the Turkish Anadolu Lisesi Diploma upon graduation. Aci High School does not rank students at any point in their academic career.



#### **Extracurricular Activities**



Aci High School's Extracurricular Program, Aci Learning Experiences (ALE) is a compulsory part of the Aci High School Program. ALE supplements the academic program by promoting life-long learning and public service. The school offers over 40 student clubs, run by professional instructors. A diverse selection of clubs are offered, including various performing arts club, multi-media and technology clubs, entrepreneurial clubs, clubs focusing of various types of public speaking and debate, and many others. Civic Engagement Projects are another important part of ALE. Aci High School students, teachers, and partners develop social responsibility projects for their community. The sustainability and impact of the projects, the continuous fulfilment of a responsibility toward the community, and the expansion of students' capacity to engage in long-term projects with focused objectives are the top priorities. 30% of the projects currently active were founded by students. Any student can request permission to organize a new project. If the initial launch is successful, then the project can evolve into a student club or a Civic Engagement Project.

#### Class of 2026 - GPA Statistics

Grading Scale	# of total students	# of overseas students	Total % of overseas students
100.00 - 95.00	2	2	100%
94.99 - 90.00	8	7	88%
89.99 - 85.00	19	15	80%
84.99 - 80.00	13	11	85%
79.99 - 75.00	13	12	92%
74.99 - 70.00	8	4	50%
69.99 - 60.00	9	2	67%
below 60	1	1	100%
Total	73	54	78%

#### **SAT Test Statistics**

Class of 2025- SAT I Statistics by August 2025		
Section	Mean	# Students
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	600	12
Math	660	12
Average	1260	12

### May 2025 AP Exam Scores (Juniors & Seniors)

	5	4	3	School Average	Total # of Exams Taken
# of Exams	86	62	14	N/A	201
% of Total Exams	43%	31%	14%	N/A	88 % SUCCESS RATE
Totals by Exam					
BIOLOGY	2	4	2	4	8
CALCULUS AB	11	10	1	4,25	24
CALCULUS BC	14	1	1	4,53	17
CHEMISTRY	2	5	1	4,13	8
PHYSICS C:MECHANICS	1	2	0	3i75	4
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	0	3	4	3,25	8
ENGLISH LITERATURE	1	1	1	3,5	4
STATISTICS	3	1	2	3,2	10
MACROECONOMICS	13	2	0	4,1	19
MICROECONOMICS	8	6	6	3,75	25
PHYSICS 1	3	3	1	4,29	7
PHYSICS 2	3	0	2	4,2	5
PSYCHOLOGY	12	15	4	4,12	33
HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	6	1	1	4,75	8
COMP. GOVERN. & POLITICS	0	0	1	3	1
WORLD HISTORY	2	1	2	3,67	8
EUROPEAN HISTORY	1	0	0	5	1
COMPUTER SCIENCE A	2	3	0	3,43	7
DRAWING	0	0	1	3	1
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	1	1	1	4	3
2D ART DESIGN	0	1	1	4,5	2

#### OVERSEAS UNIVERSITY MATRICULATIONS 2017 - 2025

Graduates from the classes of 2017-2025 have matriculated to the following institutions.

UNITED KINGDOM
AA School of Architecture
Arts University Bournemouth
Birkbeck, University of London
Buckinghamshire New University
City, University of London
Durham University
Goldsmiths, University of London
Imperial College London
King's College London
London College of Fashion
London School of Economics
Loughborough University
Manchester School of Architecture
Oxford Brookes University
Queen Mary University of London
Regent's University
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
Royal Holloway, University of London
Trinity College Dublin
University College London
University of Bath
University of Bristol
University of Birmingham
University of Edinburgh
University of Exeter
University of Kent
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Southampton
University of Surrey
University of The Arts London
University of Warwick
University of Westminster
University of York
Urdang-City, University of London
CANADA
Carleton University
Concordia University

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Carleton University
Concordia University
Humber College
McGill University
McMaster University
Ontario College of Arts and Design
Queens University
Seneca College
University of British Columbia
University of Ottawa
University of Toronto
Western University
York University

EUR	OPE
Univ	ersity of Vienna - AT
KU L	euven - BE
Ecole	e Hoteliere Lausaunne - CH
Ecole	e Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne - CH
Glio	n Institute of Higher Education - CH
Les F	Roches-Global Hospitality Management School - CH
Char	les University - CZ
SRH	Berlin - DE
Univ	ersity of Southern Denmark - DK
	DE - ES
EU B	usiness School Barcelona - ES
IE Uı	niversity - ES
Insti	tute Of The Arts Barcelona - ES
La Sa	alle Barcelona - ES
Lille	University - FR
Scie	nces Po - FR
Univ	ersity of Debrecen - HU
	e College - IE
	oni University - IT
	ito Marangoni - IT
	M University - IT
Luiss	Guido Carli Free International University - IT
	va Accademia Di Belle Arti - IT
Polit	ecnico di Torino - IT
Univ	ersity of Messina - IT
	ersity of Pavia - IT
	ersità Cattolica Del Sacro Cuore - IT
Univ	ersità Vita-Salute San Raffaele - IT
Eind	hoven University - NL
	mus University - NL
	ingen University - NL
	ze University of Applied Science - NL
	lland University - NL
	en University - NL
	stricht University - NL
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	erdam University of Applied Sciences - NL
	den University - NL
	Hague University of Applied Sciences - NL
	Irg University - NL
	elft - NL
	ersity of Amsterdam - NL
	University - NL
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#### FAR EAST

Tsinghua University - CN

Willem de Kooning Academy - NL

