

About the Exchange Program

Central Coast Grammar School has established a network of sister schools around the world who offer selected students the opportunity to study and attend school in another country. As an exchange student, you would participate in a reciprocal arrangement which involves hosting an international student buddy and then returning to live and learn with them overseas. Exchange is offered to current Year 9 students to participate in Year 10. Positions on the Exchange Program are highly sought after.

Our current Exchange schools include:

Andrews Osborne Academy - USA
Beijing Jingyuan School - China
Episcopal Academy - USA
Glenstal Abbey - Ireland
Kanto Daiichi High School - Japan
Kardinal Frings Gymnasium - Germany
Llandovery College - Wales
Sewickley Academy - USA
Southridge College - Canada
Ueda Nishi High School - Japan
Please note: Not all schools listed participate every year.

Further information:

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Frequently Asked Questions

Can I choose where I want to go?

You will be offered a preference selection form when you apply, however, positions at each participating school vary from year to year. You need to be prepared to accept a position at any school offered.

Who goes on Exchange?

Students who have an exemplary student record have a greater opportunity of participating in the Exchange Program. Each student who applies for exchange will have their file reviewed since their time in the Middle School against a set of criteria to determine if they will progress to the interview stage. The panel gives particular attention to students' behaviour, work ethic, attendance and respect towards others whilst a student at CCGS.

How do I find my Exchange buddy?

The CCGS Exchange Coordinator works with the coordinators at the sister schools to find suitable exchanges based on age, gender and interests. Whilst compatibility is desirable, there is no intention of finding a 'perfect match'. Exchange can be surprising, demanding and challenging.

Do I have to do schoolwork whilst on exchange?

Exchange students are expected to attend regular classes and participate in activities at their host school. They must also follow the host school's rules and Code of Conduct.

What if I don't speak the language?

Ideally, you will have some basic understanding of the language when travelling to exchange schools in Japan, China or Germany; however, it is not essential...you'll learn along the way!

EXCHANGE IS ENLIGHTENING, CHALLENGING AND CAN BE LIFE-CHANGING FOR YOUR WHOLE FAMILY.



