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## Tokyo Metropolitan Hibiya High School

### **School Profile**

Tokyo Metropolitan Hibiya High School is a coeducational public high school founded in 1878 as the first secondary school in Tokyo. Throughout its history, Hibiya High School has been one of the leading public schools in Japan and it continues to provide a stimulating, all-around education coupled with academic excellence. We aim to produce internationally-minded and independent students.

In 2007, Hibiya High School was designated as a specialized school for ensuring that students enter top universities and as a Super Science High School by the Ministry of Education and Science. Furthermore, from April 2015 to March 2022, the school was appointed a Global 10 School, and since April 2022, it has been appointed a Global Education Network 20 school, one of twenty schools with a special global focus. This designation allows students the opportunity to participate in programs that further global understanding and problem solving skills.

In the course of its long history, Hibiya has produced many influential figures in every field of Japanese society. Among them is a former prime minister, politicians, celebrated artists and novelists, and notable film producers. Graduates include the former president and CEO of the Mitsubishi Corporation Yorihiko Kojima, and the molecular biologist and Nobel Laureate in physiology and medicine, Tonegawa Susumu.

**Admissions:** The admissions into the school are highly selective, consisting of an interview and several tests both in English and Japanese.

**Grading systems and ranking:** Hibiya High School uses a grading scale of 1-5, with 5 being the highest grade, for all students. Grades are not weighted.

**Subject Offerings:** Students follow the Japanese National Curriculum and choose either the science or the humanities focus in their third year. All students take the First Cambridge English Test during their schooling. Foreign language courses in Mandarin, Korean, French, German, and Spanish are offered as elective courses.

As a Super Science High School we offer an extra course called Inquiry-Based Learning where students undertake original research on a scientific topic of the students' choosing.

Additionally, we offer an excellent extracurricular sports and activities program enabling the students to identify and develop their own skills and strengths within a supportive environment.

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

| SUBJECTS                      | CREI              | 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              | 3                 | 3              |  |
| Inquiry-Based Learning        | 1                 | 1              |  |
| TOTAL                         | 96                | 96             |  |