Tsinghua International School (THIS, Chinese: 清华大学附属中学国际部) is a non-profit[citation needed], WASC-accredited international school in Beijing, that was founded in 2009. THIS is attached to one of Beijing's top public secondary schools, Tsinghua Fuzhong. Tsinghua Fuzhong is the secondary school affiliated to Tsinghua University. THIS is tied to and shares some facilities with Tsinghua Fuzhong but remains an independent school. The school has around 430 students in grades 1-12. THIS is in the Advanced Placement program and its courses are derived from the Common Core State Standards Initiative. The colleges attended by alumni are impressive for a small school, including names like Columbia University, Brown University and MIT.  
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Facilities[edit]  
THIS has an elementary school, middle school, and high school. They recently finished the construction of their teaching building with modern classrooms and science labs. In addition, the school just finished construction of an indoor gym. Other facilities include:  
Library  
Science laboratories  
Cafeteria  
Athletics track  
Basketball courts  
Soccer field  
Computer labs  
Soundproof music studio  
Drama studio  
Black Box Theatre  
Teachers' lounge  
Computer lab  
New Multi-story Gym  
High school program[edit]  
The US-based high school curriculum prepares students for colleges in the United States, Canada, and other western countries. Multiple advanced placement courses such as AP World History, AP English Language and Composition, and AP Physics are available, while new courses are being introduced in the future.[1]  
Selection for high school courses[edit]  
English/Language Arts  
Chinese  
Social Studies  
Visual Arts and Performing Arts  
Foreign Languages and Linguistics  
Mathematics  
Physical Sciences  
Computer Technology  
Physical Education and Health  
Student life[edit]  
Extracurricular activities[edit]  
THIS teachers provide a variety of after-school extracurricular activities[2] for all elementary school, middle school, and high school students. Activities, including sports, are held every day from 3:30 to 5:30.  
THIS is a member of ISAC (International Schools Athletic Conference) and has recently also joined ACAMIS (Association of China and Mongolia International Schools). Middle school and high school extracurricular activities include:  
Dance Club  
Rock/Pop band  
Choir Club  
Community Service Club  
Speech and Debate Club  
MUN (Model United Nations)  
MEAT Club (Middle School Events & Activities Team)  
Engineering Club  
Woodworking Club  
SciNex (Science Club)  
Middle School Math Club  
High School Math Club  
Author's Circle  
Traditional Dance Club  
Fashion Design Club  
Theatre  
English Newspaper, The Spartan Times  
Chinese Newspaper  
Korean Club  
Japanese Club  
Visual Art Club  
Dining service[edit]  
The catering services[3] at THIS provide breakfast, lunch, and dinner for middle school students, high school students, and faculty members. They serve a variety of dishes that are reasonably priced. Some dishes include noodles, Japanese tofu, and stir-fried rice.  
Elementary students have lunch prepared for them beforehand and are given morning snacks every day.  
Transportation service[edit]  
Daily school buses[4] at designated pick-up points before and after school are provided for elementary school, middle school, and high school students. THIS has eleven bus routes for students to choose from across Beijing.