



COLUMBUS NORTH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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Columbus, Ohio 43224
(Lottery School* – District-Wide Enrollment)

MASCOT & SCHOOL COLORS: Lions (Gold, Purple, and Gray)

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SCHOOL VISION: A world class school that prepares students, through language and global studies, to reach their full potential.

DISTRICT/SCHOOL MISSION: Each student is highly educated, prepared for leadership and service, and empowered for success as a citizen in a global community.

ABOUT US: As part of the Columbus City School District and a member school of the International Studies Schools Network, Columbus North International School strives to be the leader in international education in the state of Ohio, in the United States, and worldwide. The school was founded in 2010 by district staff, teachers, administrators, parents and community members who worked together to plan the vision for a high school that would exemplify the highest standards for international education. The same standards that are emphasized and required by the increasingly global context of the 21st century. Columbus International was born out of the strongest collaborative ideals of a community school and the most far-reaching imaginings of a truly global institution. Columbus International thrives on the diversity of its student body and staff, and in maintaining a global focus within its local context. As a school, we believe it is our duty to prepare our students to answer the tough questions their generation will face in the ever-changing 21st century world.

Dress Code: Purple, gold, or white T-shirt or collared shirt.

CURRICULUM: Columbus North International is a member of the International Studies Schools Network. Our curriculum provides an international perspective. Students take a full **college-prep curriculum**, including opportunities to take up to ten unique AP credits. On their pathway to a special "International Diploma", students "**major**" in *Spanish, French, or Mandarin Chinese*, taking their primary world language through to that advanced (AP or post-secondary) level. **Immersion** opportunities exist for students through specially designed classes.

The signature program of CNIS is the **International Seminar**, a series of semester-long inquiry-based research courses that lead to an individually designed year-long "international thesis" project during a student's junior and senior year. Students engage in global issues by learning how to perform traditional, original, and participatory research, with real-life experiences of global issues emphasized through visits from guest speakers, service projects, and field trips, including the 9th and 10th grade spring seminar trips within Ohio and other global-minded locations. The International Seminars also emphasize the use of technology both in research and presentation, and students' thesis projects include a multimedia component in addition to an extended essay and panel presentation.

ABOUT OUR STAFF: Our staff represents over ten different countries and ten different languages. We range in experience levels from one to over thirty years. We have one state-recognized master teacher and three Nationally Board Certified teachers, with our whole staff believing strongly in the importance of pursuing continued growth and excellence, no matter how experienced you are.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES: Kiwanis Key Club; Model United Nations; Model African Union; African Culture Club; Latino/a Club; Gay/Straight Alliance; Tech Crew; World Percussion Ensemble; Pay it Forward; Student Council; Yearbook; Drama Club; Newspaper; National Honor Society; and National Junior Honor Society.

Ten varsity sports compete in the Columbus City League (boys soccer, girls tennis, girls soccer, cross-country, volleyball, boys basketball, girls basketball, bowling, track & field, and softball). We also compete in six middle school athletic programs.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS: McGraw Hill Publishing, Columbus International Program, Columbus Council on World Affairs; The Ohio State University (Office of International Affairs; Foreign Language Center; Area Studies Centers; Collegiate Council on World Affairs); Nationwide Insurance Street Law Program, Community Refugee Immigration Service, International Studies Schools Network.

