

Osaka Prefectural Otemae High School

History

In 1886 Otemae high school was established as "Osaka Prefectural Girls' School." Since then, it has produced countless graduates who have taken leadership roles in many fields, and have been widely renowned for it. With our motto, "Strong Belief and High Ideals", we aim to educate and support our students so that they can grow sound in mind and body, realize their dreams, and contribute not only to Japanese society but also to the international community.



School Life

Otemae High School changed into a coeducational school after World War II, as many public schools did at that time. Our school has two courses; full-time and part-time (night-time). Currently more than 1,000 students study here. Here, we will give a broad outline of the full-time course.

School begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 3:20 p.m. Each lesson lasts 65 minutes, and there are five lessons a day. On Saturdays, there are no lessons, but study rooms are open. In our school many kinds of events take place, including the cultural festival, the sports competition and school excursions. Especially as the spring chorus competition comes near, students come to the school early in the morning and practice singing eagerly before school.



Like many Japanese schools, our school also has a variety of club activities. For example, baseball, soccer, judo, kendo (Japanese fencing), tennis, swimming, track and field, rugby, symphonic band, tea ceremony and so on. About 90 % of the whole students club activities.

We are proud that a lot of students are interested in mathematics or science. Some of them are engaged in the studies with the advice of national university professors, others have won competitions in math or computer programming. Various science study programs are held through the academic year.

International Education

We know that International Education is essential to students in today's world, we give students a lot of opportunities to take part in international programs. Every year more than 170 students take part in study program in the USA, Australia, or Singapore. We are in partnership with Penglais High School in Britain and Balcombe School in Australia, and carry out exchange programs every year.