

I. Introduction

This fiscal year marked the 20th anniversary of the opening of GKA, and the commemorative events were successfully completed. We would like once again to express our sincere gratitude to the parents and all other stakeholders who have supported the school.

However, due to the depreciation of the yen and rising costs associated with unstable international conditions, the environment surrounding the Gakuen has been affected in many areas, including overseas travel by students. In particular, the number of participants in the Elementary School Australia homestay program has declined, and measures will be needed going forward.

II. Business Overview

1. Educational Activities

1) Elementary School

(1) Events

As a change this year, the venue for the Grade 4 overnight program was changed to Mikamo Nature House. Other events were held as usual, and both participating students and parents who observed certain events were seen enjoying them.

For the year-end Presentation Day, the format of holding the Music Presentation and the Learning Presentation on separate days, as was done last year, was well received. We therefore plan to continue holding them on separate dates.

(2) AUS Short-Term Study Program

With the yen continuing to weaken and prices rising, the participation cost reached approximately 810,000 yen. Even so, 59 out of 83 students participated. During the two-week program, each student stayed with a separate host family and attended a local school.



Students presenting about Japan in a local school class



Final day: GKA students and host families

(3) TOEFL Junior Advancement Standards

We have continued efforts to ensure that parents understand the TOEFL Junior advancement standards of 700 points for advancement to Junior High School and 780 points for advancement to Senior High School. Measures included providing opportunities during long vacations for students who had not yet met the standards and wished to participate to study English grammar in Japanese.

This year, 59 students advanced internally, resulting in an advancement rate of 71%, which was lower than the previous year.

2) Junior High School

(1) We enhanced MYP education leading to the DP (Diploma Programme), and workplace experience and other activities were conducted as in previous years.

(2) We conducted school trips, domestic overnight training programs, and other activities to diversify learning opportunities.

(3) To support achievement of the TOEFL Junior 780-point standard, we developed English learning support programs and implemented measures to enable more students to advance to Senior High School.

3) Senior High School

(1) Implementation of overseas training

We worked to further enhance advanced English education by shifting from conventional overseas training centered on homestays to training at overseas universities with a stronger educational program focus.

(2) Secondary School Academic Fair

As an opportunity to present learning outcomes in all subjects, including extracurricular activities, we introduced GKA's educational activities to the local community and parents.

2. Ancillary Activities

1) Preschool business activities

GKA Gotenyama Preschool was opened in Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, and public relations activities began with the aim of recruiting children from Tokyo and Kanagawa.

2) After-School Activities

After-school classes were conducted as extra help for English and mathematics, as review opportunities for each subject, and as courses for preparing application essays and other documents for university guidance.

3) Special Project Activities (IB)

This year again, "SHIP Study Sessions" for Middle and High School parents and Elementary School parents were held with the cooperation of SHIP (the parents' association), including talks by graduates about their experiences.

3. Events

1) Elementary School

No.	Event / Activity	Target	Date
1	Entrance Ceremony	Grade 1	4/7
2	JHS Visit	Grade 6	5/13
3	School Information Session for Metropolitan Area Residents (GINZA SIX)	Metropolitan area residents	5/17
4	Sports Day	All students	5/31
5	Open Class / School Orientation (1)	Prospective applicants	6/14
6	JHS Explanatory Meeting	G5-6 parents	6/13
7	Open Class / School Orientation (2)	Prospective applicants	9/6
8	Overnight Study Program (Mikamo Nature House)	Grade 4	10/10-11
9	Overnight Study Program (Maebashi Akagi Youth Nature House)	Grade 5	10/15-17
10	GKA Halloween	All students	10/31
11	Entrance Examination	Applicants	11/7
12	Uniform Measurement	New students	12/6
13	JHS Explanatory Meeting (Online)	Grade 6	2/8
14	New Student Orientation	New students	2/14

15	Music Presentation Day	All students	2/27
16	Presentation Day	All students	3/7
17	Closing Ceremony	All students	3/24

2) Middle and High School

No.	Event / Activity	Target	Date
1	Opening Ceremony	All students	4/7
2	Okinawa Trip	Grade 9	9/5–8
3	SHS Explanatory Meeting	Grade 9	5/26
4	JHS Visit (for students)	Grade 6	5/12
5	Summer Break	All students	7/24–8/22
6	JHS Explanatory Meeting (for parents)	Grades 5–6	6/15
7	Secondary School Visit (for preschool parents and transfer applicants)	Preschool / transfer applicants	6/26
8	Overnight Study Program (Mikamo Nature House)	Grade 7	10/14–15
9	Kyoto/Nara Trip	Grade 8	10/18–10/20
10	U.S. Study Trip	Grade 10	10/31–11/10
11	GKA Road Race	All students	11/22
12	Winter Break	All students	12/18–1/5
13	JHS Explanatory Meeting	Grade 6	2/3
14	Senior High School Graduation Ceremony	Grade 12	3/1
15	Academic Fair	All students	3/17–3/18
16	Closing Ceremony		3/19
17	Year-End Break		3/22–3/29

4. Facilities and Equipment Projects

(1) Elementary School

(1) Facilities

No.	Project	Amount	Month	Remarks
1	Outdoor water supply renovation work	3,795,000 yen	R7.04	Kanto Construction Industry Co., Ltd.

(2) Equipment

No.	Item	Amount	Month	Remarks
1	Music Department: purchase of musical instruments	1,521,510 yen	R7.04	Suzuki Musical Instrument Mfg. Co., Ltd.
2	12 PCs for teachers	2,244,924 yen	R7.09	Intershared Co., Ltd.

(2) Middle and High School

(1) Facilities

No.	Project	Amount	Month	Remarks
1	Middle and High School optical fiber installation work	1,708,300 yen	R7.06	Intershared Co., Ltd.
2	High-voltage equipment renewal work (cubicle replacement work)	15,400,000 yen	R7.12	Gun-ei Co., Ltd.
3	Gymnasium air-conditioning installation work	69,300,000 yen	R8.03	Gun-ei Co., Ltd.

(2) Equipment

No.	Item	Amount	Month	Remarks
1	10 Dell Pro 14 units	1,333,970 yen	R7.09	Intershared Co., Ltd.
2	Replacement of hand-wash faucet in 4th-floor boys' restroom	199,100 yen	R7.09	Tokai Co., Ltd.
3	REGZA 75-inch TV for classroom installation	248,600 yen	R8.02	Ono Denki
4	Purchase of 15 laptop PCs for teachers	2,878,920 yen	R8.03	Intershared Co., Ltd.

5. Outsourced Services

No.	Outsourced Service	Contract Date	Contractor	Contract Amount
1	GHP maintenance	Automatic renewal	Ota City Gas Co., Ltd.	Elementary: 12,266,120 yen/year Secondary: 581,064 yen/year
2	Private-use electrical facilities safety management service	Automatic renewal	Kanto Electrical Safety Inspection Association	Elementary: 276,144 yen/year Secondary: 445,577 yen/year
3	Firefighting equipment maintenance and inspection service	Automatic renewal	Gun-ei Co., Ltd.	Elementary: 506,000 yen/year Secondary: 330,000 yen/year
4	Elevator remote monitoring and maintenance	Automatic renewal	Toshiba Elevator and Building Systems Corp.	Secondary: 391,600 yen/year
5	Elevator remote monitoring and maintenance (Art Building)	Automatic renewal	Fujitec Co., Ltd.	Secondary: 445,500 yen/year
6	On-site patrol security service	Automatic renewal	Simx Co., Ltd.	Secondary: 2,500 yen/hour
7	Mechanical security	Automatic renewal	Gunma General Guard System Co., Ltd.	Secondary: 19,800 yen/month
8	Automatic door maintenance service	Automatic renewal	Gunma Nabco Co., Ltd.	Secondary: 264,000 yen/year
9	Cleaning management service	Automatic renewal	Meiho Co., Ltd.	Elementary: 200,100 yen/month Secondary: 310,750 yen/month
10	Water tank cleaning management	R7.04–R8.3	Kamikura Maintenance Equipment Co., Ltd.	Secondary: 121,000 yen/year
11	Mechanical system maintenance and inspection service	R7.04–R8.3	Haruyama Setsubi Kogyo Co., Ltd.	Elementary: 1,540,000 yen/year
12	Website data maintenance management	R7.04–R8.3	Cordia Co., Ltd.	Elementary: 502,942 yen/year
13	School lunch service	Automatic renewal	Tomo Welfare Business Cooperative / Nitta Bread Co., Ltd. / Tomo Dairy Cooperative	Elementary: 527 yen/main and side dishes 77 yen/bread 72 yen/milk
14	Computer maintenance service	R7.04–R8.3	Intershared Co., Ltd.	Elementary/Secondary: 792,000 yen/year
15	Day-duty service	R7.04–R8.3	Ota City Silver Human Resources Center	Secondary: 1,762,777 yen/year
16	Annual maintenance and inspection of sliding doors	Automatic renewal	Bunka Shutter Service Co., Ltd.	Secondary: 308,000 yen/year

III. Overview of the Gakuen

(1) Vision Statement

Gunma Kokusai Academy will empower its students with the skills and knowledge necessary to contribute to, and provide leadership in, an ever-advancing global community. With the implementation of an English immersion-based curriculum, taught by a capable faculty of Japanese and foreign teachers, Gunma Kokusai Academy will challenge every student academically, morally, artistically, and physically.

Students will develop an appreciation and understanding of the cultural diversity of the world we live in. And with the parallel teaching of the Japanese language and Japanese culture and history, students will maintain their esteem for Japanese traditions and their sense of identity as responsible Japanese citizens.

Ultimately, Gunma Kokusai Academy graduates will pursue distinguished careers within Japan or internationally.

School Motto

Knowledge / Creativity / Dignity

(2) Composition of Officers

Chairperson: Masayoshi Shimizu

Directors: 7 in total, including the Chair; Councilors: 16 in total (including 7 concurrently serving as Board of Directors); Auditors: 2

(3) School History

Date	History
August 2002	Ota City proposed a Special Zone for Foreign Language Education to the Cabinet Office.
April 1, 2003	Certified as the first Structural Reform Special Zone.
December 24, 2004	Establishment of the Educational Foundation Ota Kokusai Gakuen and establishment of the schools was approved.
February 2005	School building completed.
April 6, 2005	Gunma Kokusai Academy Elementary School opened. Location: 69-1 Nishihoncho, Ota, Gunma. Number of students: 166 (first cohort).
April 7, 2008	Gunma Kokusai Academy Junior High School opened. Location: 69-1 Nishihoncho, Ota, Gunma. Number of students: 52 (students admitted to Elementary Grade 4).
April 11, 2011	Gunma Kokusai Academy Senior High School opened. Location: 1361-4 Uchigashima-cho, Ota, Gunma.
October 20, 2011	Authorized as an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School.
April 2012	IB Diploma Programme began (for Grade 11 students).

(4) Number of Children, Students, and Faculty/Staff (as of March 31, FY2025)

Elementary School

Grade	Students
1	106
2	95
3	101
4	101
5	103
6	83
Total	589

Middle School

Grade	Students
7	93
8	78
9	84
Total	255

High School

Grade	Students
10	66
11	64
12	73
Total	203

Faculty and Staff

	Foreign	Japanese	Total
Full-time teachers	68	53	121
Full-time staff	2	19	21
Part-time teachers	0	3	3
Part-time staff	3	34	36
Total	73	109	182

Nationality (Teachers)

Nationality	Number	Nationality	Number
United States	18	Singapore	2
United Kingdom	6	Bhutan	1
India	6	Trinidad and Tobago	1
Australia	1	Kenya	1
Canada	7	Malawi	1
New Zealand	2	Republic of South Africa	1
Philippines	16	Zimbabwe	1
Chile	1	Jamaica	1
Italy	1	Japan	49
South Africa	1	Total	117