

# JUDSON

## INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

*K-12 Christian Education in Pasadena, CA*

knowledge  
understanding  
wisdom

Elementary • Junior High School • High School • International Student Program • Eagle Academy





# welcome

**Welcome to Judson International School. We are a unique school that you will not find anywhere else.**

## Our School

Judson International School is unique. Our K-12 student body, while largely local, represents over twenty countries. Many of our highly qualified teachers have lived overseas.

We are a school that is:

- A *Christian school*. All subjects are taught from a Biblical worldview without emphasis on doctrine or dogma.
- An *international school*. Both faculty and student body are culturally diverse.
- A K-12 school.
- Located on a *beautiful 17-acre shared campus* in northeast Pasadena in two educational buildings with a cafeteria, library, athletic courts, athletic field, art studio, and computer lab.
- Using a *unique curriculum* that is based on global history, integrating subjects to enhance learning.

- Providing *individual attention* to students with an average class size of 15.
- Teaching our students to use an *investigative learning approach* to explore and discover their world.
- Emphasizing *high academic standards* with our K-12 test scores in the top third of schools nation-wide.
- Proud of its *fantastic athletic program* in the CIF and the Foothill Sports League offering sports teams for middle and high school girls and boys.
- Offering *co-curricular activities* such as ASB, musical theater, chaplaincy, worship band, art club, and dance club.
- *Accredited* with WASC and a candidate for accreditation with ACSI.
- Approved to offer the *I-20 form* to international students.
- Offering a *priceless* educational opportunity for a *very affordable* tuition.

“Our kids love their teachers and their closest friends are at Judson. From our point of view, the fact that they are getting a great education in a very international setting continues to make Judson our only choice!”

— T. Beckler, parent





# mission

# faith

*“It’s wonderful to be part of such a global and multi-cultural school community. The small class size and caring teachers have also been a huge blessing for our family.”*

— C. Soderling, parent

**Judson’s mission is to partner with parents in educating children who will grow in knowledge, understanding and wisdom to become leaders in God’s Kingdom and today’s world.**



## Our History

Judson International School is a ministry of Frontier Ventures, formerly known as the U.S. Center for World Mission. The school was founded in 1991 as William Carey Academy, for children of staff families, and became Judson in 2001 when it was opened up to students from the local and international communities. We have been serving our community for over 25 years!

## Our Core Values

- Faith and spiritual formation
- Academic excellence
- Community
- Cultural awareness
- Creativity
- Emotional and physical well-being

## Our Distinctives

We use the International Christian Curriculum developed at Judson for Christian schools. It includes:

- A **Christian worldview** teaching students a global and biblical worldview.
- A **global theme** covering all of world history and integrating history, research, writing skills, geography, literature, Bible, art, culture and religious studies.
- An investigative learning model using “real” books that are interesting, well-written and informative, occasionally supplementing with textbooks.
- **STEM** integrating technology for all ages with a 1:1 Chromebook program for grades 7-12, and a well-equipped computer lab.

**Judson International School is established on the concept that God desires all peoples to know and worship Him.**

## Spiritual Formation

Our aim for Judson students is that their faith will be demonstrated by honesty, integrity, diligence, kindness and consideration. In addition to daily prayer and study of the Bible, all Judson students take part in weekly chapels and character assemblies. Chapels are led by the teachers and students and often feature special speakers, such as visiting missionaries, to share with the students. Each year the whole school engages in a Spiritual Emphasis Week.

All of our high school and junior high students participate in a Missions/Serve week to raise awareness of others’ needs and to show God’s love. Students have served with organizations in a variety of locations including Los Angeles,



Pasadena, San Diego and San Francisco. Future possibilities for our Missions/Serve week may include international missions for spiritually mature upperclassmen.

We also believe that part of a student’s education must include positive character development. To ensure this we use quality curriculum at all levels, such as *Character First!*

*“We have deeply appreciated the character and commitment of the excellent staff who have undergirded the Biblical worldview and values that we teach at home.”*

— G. Kim, parent





# academics

*“The thing that I have always wondered about history is this: We learn about 1700s France and the French Revolution etc. But what is going on in China at that time? Or what about Latin America? Each day, and with each book we read, many of those questions are answered!”*

— Judson 10th grade student

**Judson’s curriculum incorporates exploratory learning through which students are given opportunity to let their experiences become their instructors as they explore and engage the world.**



## Academics & Technology

A Judson education trains students to solve problems and make decisions at age-appropriate levels. Judson students learn to do research and present their results at an early age. Our students have a love of



learning that they demonstrate to others – peers, teachers, parents – at various events throughout the year. Judson’s curriculum uses an investigative learning model and “real” books for literature, history, and science whenever possible.

Our school uses the International Christian Curriculum developed at Judson to teach students a global and biblical worldview. Judson’s curriculum covers all of global history and integrates history, research, writing skills, geography, literature, art, Bible, culture and religious studies. Our Judson STEM program includes a state-of-the-art computer lab and 1:1 Chromebook program for grades 7-12. Our classrooms are equipped with computers, multi-media, and Wifi. Our students are well-trained in a variety of digital media and formats.

# community

**Judson values students’ development as well-rounded individuals, who become engaged and responsible citizens in their families, local communities, and wherever God calls them in the world.**

## Emotional Health, Effective Communication & Citizenship

At Judson School, students learn to be effective communicators in a variety of situations using both spoken and the written word. As they make themselves understood in the world around them, Judson students grow in their ability to use kindness and courtesy in their manner, not giving or taking offense.

Judson puts a high value on respect for and cooperation with teachers, other school personnel and fellow students. Judson students have many opportunities to become involved in community service and missions projects of the school. In addition to service, Judson students have many leadership opportunities through



class activities, sports, arts, and co-curricular activities such as ASB, student chaplaincy, student journalism teams and worship teams.



*“Coming to Judson International High School changed me in a magnificent way. I have learned many lessons during these first few months here. I have learned to be responsible, to be independent and to focus more on my future. I look forward to achieving all of my goals with the help of Judson High School.”*

— Judson 9th grade student



# culture

“Our two kids (4th and 6th grade) came to Judson from China only a month ago and they have already made friends.”

—J. Wang, parent

**Judson provides opportunities for students to develop relationships across cultural lines in school and in the community.**



## Cultural Awareness

Judson students readily develop friendships across ethnic, language and racial lines. Our students demonstrate their appreciation of cultural differences on a daily basis in their relationships. Judson School teaches students compassion for the poor and disenfranchised through participation in opportunities given at Judson and outside of school. Our goal is to instill a heart of service towards others.

Our student body is ethnically and culturally diverse. While most of our students are local, our faculty and students represent about 20 nationalities.

A significant number of our local students and staff have lived overseas.



# creativity

**Judson encourages students to express themselves freely and wholesomely in their areas of gifting by participating in the many and varied opportunities offered to them.**

## Fine & Performing Arts

Judson has an excellent Performing and Fine Arts program which includes studio art, music, theater, dance and worship band.



## Theater Arts

Judson's Theater Arts Department provides a variety of options for students, including theater classes, Performing Arts Night, Poetry Out Loud competition, Spring Musical, Summer Musical theater, and ASCI Speech Meet. Several of our recent shows have included: *Annie, Jr.* and *Shadowlands Revival*.

## Studio Art

Judson has a well-equipped art studio, housed in Zwemer Hall. In addition to offering art classes for all ages, Judson participates in the ACSI Art Show where our students have won numerous awards and ribbons, including “Best of Show.”



## Music

Judson's music program includes K-6 music classes, junior high worship team and high school worship band. Judson students perform for our Christmas Chapel as well as in our musical theater program. Plans to expand our Music Department include development of a high school choir.

## Dance

Judson offers several options for dance. We have a Theater and Dance class in our high school. We also have an after school Dance Club for students in grades K-6. Dance Club students perform at our Christmas Chapel and Spring Talent Show.



“The Performing Arts Program at Judson has been an amazing opportunity for learning and growing for my girls. The directors, choreographers, and voice coaches have expertise to empower the students to their greatest potential! I encourage students to check out this program.”

— L. Bain, parent



# well-being

*Judson Athletics has transformed our family by introducing our children to organized sports and developing their skills in an environment that is encouraging, fun, safe and competitive. We'd recommend it to anyone!*

— B. Berry, parent

**Judson encourages all students to learn how to live a healthy lifestyle with sports and health to train students to care for their bodies as temples of the Holy Spirit.**

## **Athletics: Philosophy & Policies**

First and foremost we are a Christian school and it is our desire to exhibit, in all of our athletic venues, the essence of what it means to be Christian.

Judson's aim is to demonstrate sportsmanship, to grow in character, to develop meaningful relationships, and to gain a clearer understanding of what it means to be Christian in the context of team sports. Judson International School's Sports Program accepts all students who wish to participate in any of our sports. Our coaching staff will coach all athletes regardless of their ability. Our coaches' desire is to introduce all to the benefits of playing competitive sports. We work with both the first-time athlete and advance the returning athlete to a higher level of athletic ability and competition.



## **High School Sports**

Judson High School is a member of the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF).

## **Junior High School Sports**

Judson is a member of the Foothill Sports League. Judson students in grades 5-8 may play on our junior high teams. Home school students are also welcome to join these teams.







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