

Kwajalein School System

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*The Kwajalein School System
develops productive,
successful, and responsible
students committed to
academic excellence and
lifelong learning.*



**The Kwajalein School System
is fully accredited by Cognia.**



**The Kwajalein School System
is a US Government Owned,
Contractor Operated school
located on the US Army
Garrison – Kwajalein Atoll on
the island of Kwajalein in the
Republic of the Marshall
Islands.**

Kwajalein Senior High School School Profile 2022-2023

Kwajalein High School

Kwajalein High School is located on the island of Kwajalein in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and is accredited by Cognia. U.S. Army Garrison - Kwajalein Atoll executes base support operations, through the LOGCAP V contractors, supporting the strategically important Ronald Reagan Test Site (RTS). Additionally, USAG-KA supports the U.S. Embassy advancing the relationship with the Republic of the Marshall Islands. The Kwajalein High School is a Government Owned and Contractor Operated private institution with current enrollment at 70 students in grades nine through twelve. The school is operated by Vectrus, a logistics and engineering support contractor. The Class of 2023 contains seventeen students, including four Marshallese students from the island of Ebeye and thirteen American students.

Island Community

The island of Kwajalein is in the central Pacific and is part of the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Most of the island residents are US citizens. Kwajalein is the only US military installation that offers host nation education for children in the US school on the base. Kwajalein also offers many employment opportunities for the native Marshallese community that live on the neighboring island of Ebeye making up over 60% of the workforce. Daily, the island is a thriving community of US and Marshallese workers and students.

School Community

Approximately 102 students are enrolled in grades 7-12. Most are dependents of U.S. civilian and U.S. military personnel working on the island. There is no need for free/reduced lunch at the school. All students living on Kwajalein go home for lunch, while the Marshallese students from Ebeye are provided a lunch paid for by the RMI government. All students are required to complete school service hours for their class. Each grade level is assigned class hours according to age. Many private companies and government entities participate in supporting/enhancing school operations including MIT/Lincoln Laboratory, Vectrus, RNext, NETCOM, and the U.S. Army. Most parents have professional and technical backgrounds.

College Placement

In recent years our graduates have been accepted at Stanford, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Rice, Clemson, Harvard, Princeton, Johns Hopkins, Cal Tech, Vanderbilt, McGill, DePaul, Northwestern, Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, Vassar, University of Denver, St. Olaf College, Wentworth, Pepperdine, Penn State, Gonzaga, the University of Michigan, Texas A & M, Virginia Tech, Purdue, Auburn, the University of Minnesota, the University of Wisconsin - Madison, the University of Texas - Austin, Notre Dame University, St. John's University, UC Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Irvine and Berkeley; the US Air Force Academy, the US Coast Guard Academy, Carnegie Mellon University, Harvey Mudd College, Drew University, the University of Colorado at Boulder, Chapman University, Claremont-McKenna College, Drexel University, and the US Naval Academy.

Faculty

The staff consists of a full-time principal and school counselor and the equivalent of 20 full-time teachers. The classroom student-teacher ratio is approximately 10:1. All full-time faculty members have Master's Degrees.

Class Rank

Kwajalein High School does not report class rank on student transcripts. Graduating classes are typically 20 students or less. Class rank will be provided, by student and/or parent request, in a letter format but will not be printed on the signed and sealed transcript.

4-year Graduation Rate

2022 Graduated 24 Students=100%; 4-year College=21; Military Academy=2; Military=2

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Curriculum

Six AP classes are offered to students. AP Language and Composition, AP Chemistry, AP Statistics, AP Calculus, AP Computer Science, and AP European History. All students enrolled in AP classes are required to take the final AP exam. On average, 92% of AP students score a 3 or higher on AP exams. In 2020, 90% of the students eligible to take an AP class were enrolled in AP classes. Many of the classes offered at Kwajalein High School often have guest speakers from the Missile Defense Program and MIT/Lincoln Laboratory. Classes have the unique opportunities to tour most US military marine vessels that arrive into port during their deployment in the Pacific. Classes often snorkel the most pristine waters of the Pacific on a daily basis for classroom lesson enhancement.

Student Population

Class of 2023 Enrollment.....	17
Total KSH Enrollment.....	67
Average Daily Attendance.....	99%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander....	35%
White.....	35%
Multi-ethnic.....	24%
Hispanic or Latino.....	6%
Female.....	59%
Male.....	41%

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

- National Honor Society
- Student Government Association (SGA)
- Scuba Club
- Coral Restoration Club
- Concert Band
- Stage Band
- Yearbook
- Soccer
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Water Polo
- Softball



Kwajalein Marine Science

The Kwajalein Marine Science students coordinated to have the Discovery Channel come to Kwajalein to Recognize the Marshall Islands as a shark sanctuary. Marine Science students are also founding members of the Pacific Research Organization to study coral bleaching and pollution in the Marshall Islands.

<https://www.pacresearch.org/>

2023 Graduation Requirements

To graduate, a student must earn a minimum of 26 credits, a GPA greater or equal to 2.0, and successfully meet the following requirements:

Subject Area	Credits
English/Language Arts	4.0
Mathematics	4.0
Science	3.0
Social Studies	3.0
CTE	2.0
World Language	2.0
Physical Education	1.5
Fine Arts	1.0
Health	0.5

Grading Scale

100 – 98 %	A+	79.9 – 77 %	C+
97.9 – 93 %	A	76.9 – 73 %	C
92.9 – 90 %	A-	72.9 – 70 %	C-
89.9 – 87 %	B+	69.9 – 67 %	D+
86.9 – 83 %	B	66.9 – 63 %	D
82.9 – 80 %	B-	62.9 – 60 %	D-
59.9 – 0 %		F	

Grade Point Average: Weighted versus Unweighted

AP Courses – Weighted		Non-AP Courses – Unweighted	
A+/A	5.000	A+/A	4.000
A-	4.667	A-	3.667
B+	4.333	B+	3.333
B	4.000	B	3.000
B-	3.667	B-	2.667
C+	3.333	C+	2.333
C	3.000	C	2.000
C-	2.667	C-	1.667
D+	2.333	D+	1.333
D	2.000	D	1.000
D-	1.667	D-	0.667
F	0.000	F	0.000

Student Accomplishments

- Two KJSH students represented the RMI in the Summer Olympic Games.
- Multiple students participated in the Micronesian Games.
- One student named Boys and Girls Club of America Overseas Military Youth of the Year in 2020.
- One student made up a 16-child delegation to the Children vs Climate Change movement that petitioned the United Nations Committee in 2019.
- One student was the RMI Red Cross Y-ADAPT delegate to attend the first ever North Pacific Leadership Super Camp.
- Students featured in the ACIS Exceptional Journeys magazine for their language immersion trips to France and Spain.
- Students highlighted in Blade Magazine for “Bladesmith of the Year.”