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1. A message from our Principal

Welcome to Seisho high school's website.

Through the windows of the principal's office, a well-kept courtyard can be seen. A camphor tree stands in the center of the garden. It is our symbolic tree. This morning, as usual, our students pass cheerfully in front of the garden.

In April 2004, our school was opened as the first single-course science and mathematics high school in Japan. We introduced a large number of experiments and exercises for specialized subject classes to increase our students' interest, but also to improve their skills, cultivate their curiosity and enrich their creativity.

Our school was appointed as a Super Science High School (SSH) by the Ministry of Education in 2011. Since 2016, we have been advancing our curriculum to meet the standards of the SSH programme.

In the specialist subject known as "Super Inquiry Science ", the students decide on a topic for themselves, investigate it through experiments, summarize information in a poster and make a presentation. Excellent research is presented at scientific conferences and regularly receive high praise.

In addition, and with the goal of cultivating globally minded leaders, we conduct exchange programs and joint research projects with our sister school in Thailand, make educational trips to the United States, and exchange classes with other schools from overseas through Skype.

Furthermore, the "Seisho Ala Carte Workshop" is a course that is focused on experiments and outdoor activities, which students can freely attend regardless of their school year. This is conducted after school and during the summer holidays.

Seisho Junior High School was founded in April 2014 as part of the first integrated junior and senior high school in Nara Prefecture. Since then, we have carefully selected the curriculum for each subject in our junior and senior high schools so that the students can systematically learn the subjects over a time period of six years. Since 2017, our school has admitted 80 students per academic year, as to meet our requirement of two classes per grade.

The name "Seisho" holds within it the wish that our students can fly around the world and keep their hearts as pure as the blue sky. Keeping this in our minds, we make great effort to create a school that makes full use of the merits of our science and mathematics courses, but also uses the integrated system of a junior and senior high school.

We will continue to promote the creation of a school that is trusted by our students' parents and loved by our community.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Principal, *Hajime Komazawa*



2. SSH Program

Outline

Seisho was established in 2004 as the first math and science specialist high school in Japan. In 2011, it was designated as a SSH (Super Science High School). The objective of Seisho's science research program is to educate students so that they can play active parts in the global scientific community. Through the many courses offered at Seisho, students can acquire the knowledge and skills necessary for not only their academic pursuits, but also to be productive members of society.

Theme

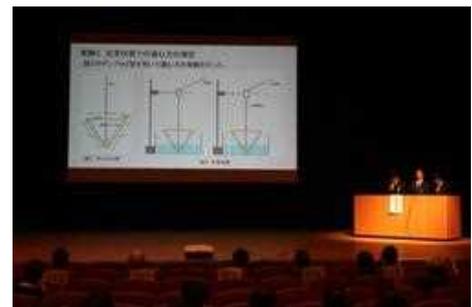
“Science Atelier – A program to foster capable students who can play an active part on the world's scientific stage.”

Activities

☆Science Research Presentation☆

Seisho high school is enthusiastic about its science research activities. The students have science research classes twice a week. In this period, they choose one research topic out of the following subjects : chemistry, physics, biology, geoscience and math. In these classes, the students discuss and perform their research in groups, focusing on their chosen research topic.

At the end of this course, a science conference is held as part of an annual event. Each group makes a presentation about what they have researched to an audience of students, teachers, scientists and parents. Additionally, a poster presentation session is also held to share their



ideas with visitors. Every year, the group who gets the highest score wins the “best presentation” award and goes on to compete in a nation-wide science competition. University professors are also invited to the event and give students useful advice to improve their research and presentations. Some students present their research at outside events as well and Seisho students consistently receive awards at these events. Through this program, the students can gain practical experience relevant to formal scientific training.

☆Seisho Science Quest☆

Seisho Science Quest is a quiz contest where elementary school students work together in groups to solve interesting quizzes about science and math. Seisho students make original quizzes and then guide the younger students through the quizzes. The elementary school students can experience exciting experiments and make scientific observations. The group who gets the highest score is the winner.



☆Science Lecture Meeting☆

The Science lecture meeting is held each year with themes based on current, cutting edge science research. Scientists who are active around the world come to Seisho and give an exciting research presentation.



☆Science Square☆

Science club members do large scale experiments during lunch time and after school. Students from Thailand come and enjoy the experiments together with us.



3. Classes and Curriculum

About the Curriculum

	Mon/The/Thu/	Wed	Sat (twice a month)
8:30~8:40	SHR	SHR	SHR
8:45~9:35	1st period	1st period	1st period
9:45~10:35	2nd period	2nd period	2nd period
10:45~11:35	3rd period	3rd period	3rd period
11:45~12:35	4th period	4th period	SHR&Cleaning
12:35~13:10	Lunch time	Lunch time	
13:15~14:05	5th period	5th period	
14:15~15:05	6th period	6th period	
15:15~16:05	7th period	SHR&Cleaning	
16:05~	SHR&Cleaning		

LOOK AT THIS !

There are usually 34 classes a week. But we have three classes on Saturday twice a month. So there are 37 classes a week. We especially focus on studying math, science, and English.

SSH

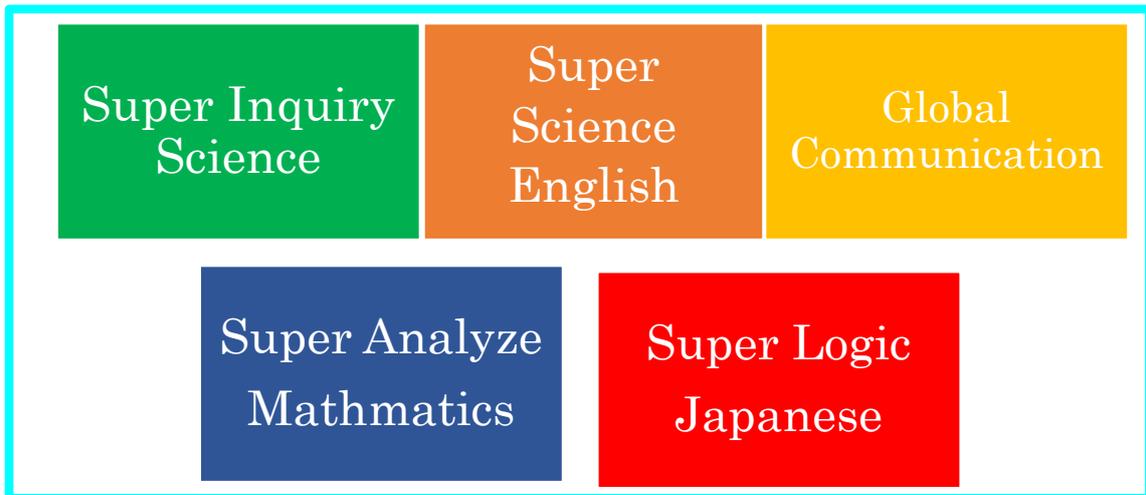
To deepen the understanding of higher Mathematics and Science to enable students to collaborate with colleagues and companies.

Natural Science

To deepen the understanding of mathematics and science.

Human Science

To deepen the understanding of English, Japanese, and social studies.



Super Inquiry
Science

We can choose our favorite subject out of five ; Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Earth science, and Mathematics, and do research on our own topic.

Super
Science
English

We can enjoy reading, listening, writing and speaking about scientific topics in English.

Global
Communication

We can talk about our scientific research in English with people from other countries.

Super Analyze
Mathmatics

We can enhance our ability to think about our various topics scientifically and mathematically.

Super Logic
Japanese

We can improve our critical thinking and presentation skills by giving speeches and writing essays.

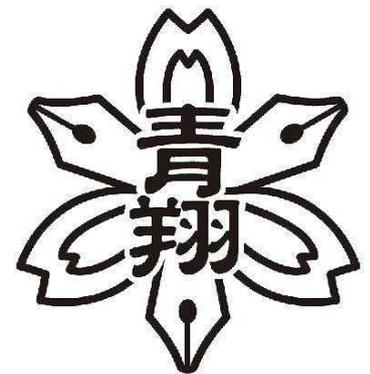
4. School motto, Badge, Song, Flag,

Education policy and Objectives



Our school motto consists of the following five school principles ; *houshi, yujyou, chisei, seijitsu* and *gouken* from left to right. the characters mean service, friendship, intelligence, sincerity, and fortitude (strength) .

The school emblem is composed of cherry blossoms which symbolize the natural surroundings of Gose city and pens which represent studying and learning.



This is our School Flag.

5. School facilities and Local surroundings

《 School's Facilities 》



• Science Rooms

Seisho has five science laboratories. These are specialized for Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Earth science, and Integrated Science.



↑ Integrated Science Laboratory

• Courtyard

Our school's courtyard is covered with a lawn. The letters for “SEISHO” are mown into the lawn.



《 Outside of School 》

• Kamotsuba Shrine

Kamotsuba Shrine is located next to Seisho. It was originally built around two thousand years ago. The shrine is dedicated to Ebisu. The members of our student council and athletic clubs join the shrine's autumn festival every year. They carry a portable shrine through Gose city as part of the festival.



• Takakamo Shrine

Takakamo Shrine is a twin shrine of Kamotsuba Shrine. It was built about two thousand years ago. It is registered as an important cultural site.



• Old Town [Gose machi]

There are still some old streets and houses near Seisho. Local residents are fond of these old buildings.



6. School events

School Festival

Our school festival is held for two days in September every year. Both high school and junior high school students join this event. On the first day, every class has their own performances on stage. We have plays, dances, comedies, watch movies and listen to scientific presentations.



On the second day, volunteers perform their own acts. We are always moved and amused. We can also eat foods or sweets which are sold by our high school students. There are many kinds of foods: curry and rice, noodles, ice cream, and fruit cups. In addition, most classes put their art works on display. All of them are nice.

We cooperate with each other and we improve our friendships. Our school festivals are always fun and we enjoy all of them very much!

U.S. Exchange Trip

Grade 11 students go to Seattle in October. They visit a university and listen to lectures by researchers. They have an opportunity to learn how to give good presentations, too. In addition, they stay with American families during the trip. They can spend quality time with their host families and learn about American culture, and how it is different from Japanese culture. They can also walk around the city with university staff. They can experience many things that they have never experienced in Japan.

In conclusion, they can improve their English skills and experience a lot of things. Students at Seisho always look forward to going to America!



Ball Games Tournament

In May, our school has a ball-games day on the sports grounds and in the gym. We play volleyball, softball, and table tennis. When the games start, the tournament gets very exciting as the games are very competitive.



Sports Day

Our school has a sports day at Kashihara Stadium in September. Students compete as part of a team. It begins with a dance by the grade-7 students, which is part of our school tradition.

It has many events such as tug of war, and a relay competition by different clubs are examples. In tug of war, 20 students from each team compete and shout loudly. The club activity relay is done by club members wearing their uniform or while holding club related items. We enjoy watching the relay race.

Our sports day is very exciting.



7. Students activity

【Student council】

*** MEMBERS**

1. President and Vice President
2. Accountant
3. PR representative
4. Secretary
5. Student council supporting members

*** MISSION**

Our student council staff work hard to improve our school. For example, they installed a suggestion box! They have since received many suggestions to make our school a better place. They are planning to put some of these ideas into practice.

*** ACTIVITIES**

They plan and lead many school events such as the morning greeting activity, the Halloween event, lunch time music and so on. Among them, school festivals are the biggest event for the school council.

They design the pictures for the school festival. They also perform some funny comedy shows and sell food at a stand.

They also volunteer to take part in many events.



【Student Committees】

There are more than ten committees.

Among them....

【Names】	【Activities】
1. Class Head Committee	Serving as a class leader
2. Physical Education Committee	Serving as a PE leader
3. Health Committee	Helping the school nurse with medical check-ups.
4. Cultural Festivals Committee	Playing important roles at school festivals
5. Super Science High School Committee	Playing important roles at science events
6. Cleaning Committee	Playing important roles at cleaning time
7. Library Committee	Helping the librarian at the library
8. Human Rights Committee	Play important roles at human right meetings

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