

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 2023-2024

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. US 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 US 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 V2X-Vectrus, a logistics and engineering support contractor. The Class of 2024 contains thirteen students, including three Marshallese students from the island of Ebeye and ten 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 100 students are enrolled in grades seven through twelve. Most are dependents of US civilian and US 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. Many private companies and government entities participate in supporting and enhancing school operations including MIT/Lincoln Laboratory, V2X-Vectrus, RGNNext, TribalCo, and the US Army. Most parents have professional and technical backgrounds.

College Placement

In recent years our graduates have been accepted at Stanford, MIT, Columbia, Rice, Brown, Harvard, Princeton, Notre Dame, Johns Hopkins, Cal Tech, Vanderbilt, Clemson, Northwestern, Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, Vassar, St. Olaf, Pepperdine, Penn State, Gonzaga, University of Michigan, Texas A&M, Virginia Tech, Purdue, Auburn, University of Wisconsin-Madison, University of Texas-Austin, Carnegie Mellon, Harvey Mudd, Colorado at Boulder; UC Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Irvine, and Berkeley; the US Air Force Academy, US Coast Guard Academy, and 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 may be provided by student/parent or institution on request.

4-year Graduation Rate

2023 Statistics: 18 Graduated=100%; College=94% Military Academy=6%; Military=6%

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Curriculum

Nine Advanced Placement (AP) classes were offered to students in 2023-24: AP Chemistry, AP Statistics, AP Calculus, AP Literature or AP Language, AP US History, AP European History, AP Human Geography, AP Computer Science Principles, and AP Computer Science A. All students enrolled in AP classes are required to take the final AP exam. On average, 73% of AP students score a 3 or higher on AP exams. In 22-23, 52% of the students eligible to take an AP class were enrolled in AP classes. Many of the classes offered have guest speakers from the Missile Defense Program and MIT/Lincoln Laboratory. Classes have unique opportunities to tour most US military marine vessels that arrive into port during their Pacific deployment. Classes snorkel the most pristine waters of the Pacific for classroom lesson enrichment.

Student Population

Class of 2024 Enrollment.....	13
Total 9th-12th Enrollment.....	70
Average Daily Attendance.....	99%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.....	26%
White.....	41%
Multi-ethnic.....	29%
Asian and African American/Black....	4%
Female.....	42%
Male.....	58%

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

- National Honor Society
- Student Government Association
- 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/>

2024 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 – 97 %	A+	79.9 – 77 %	C+
96.9 – 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.”