# BUILDING FUTURE LEADERS Since 1983



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# AT A GLANCE



# HEAD OF SCHOOL'S WELCOME

## It is my pleasure to welcome you and your family to the XCL American School of Bangkok (XCL ASB).

Choosing a school can be a challenging decision. I understand that every family is unique, and the factors considered important in choosing a school can vary greatly. From personal beliefs and values to class size, curriculum offerings, and facilities, there are numerous considerations that can feel overwhelming.

What truly matters is that a child thrives in a school when an informed decision is made to join a community that shares similar aspirations and a commitment to individual student development. We are delighted to provide you with a glimpse into our school and community in order to assist you in making a choice that will benefit your child.

XCL American School of Bangkok is a highly respected private international school that offers an exceptional American curriculum-based education with a global perspective. We cater to students from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12. Our school is renowned for incorporating project-based learning activities into the curriculum, providing students with authentic and real-world learning experiences.

XCL ASB is an accredited provider of the Advanced Placement (AP) program and AP Capstone program from the College Board. We offer one of the widest selections of AP courses currently available among international schools in Bangkok. Established in 1983, our school is licensed by the Thai Ministry of Education and fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

At XCL ASB, we take pride in delivering a world-class education that fosters a foundation for life-long learning, while nurturing the skills and values necessary to become responsible leaders in the global community. We foster academic excellence within a caring community that celebrates diversity, mutual respect, and a commitment to learning.

For over four decades, our rigorous academic program has enabled our students to gain admission to top universities worldwide. Many of our outstanding graduates have also been awarded full academic scholarships.

Through our rigorous American curriculum, as well as a range of co-curricular and extracurricular activities, XCL ASB empowers students to become independent leaders in the global community. Students are exposed to a challenging curriculum, receive individualized attention, and are encouraged to contemplate complex questions through defined learning principles.

"A typical school year in an international school is 180 days. We make sure that each day is productive and experiential for students."

Our dedicated teachers and staff prioritize the intellectual and personal growth of each student. We guide students in monitoring their progress, while providing feedback and positive reinforcement to acknowledge their achievements. Students engage in interdisciplinary learning to cultivate independent skills that will benefit them in higher education and beyond. In an increasingly changing and globalized world, we encourage students to consider both local and global contexts, fostering intercultural understanding and, in many cases, multilingual capabilities. We take pride in our students and their commitment to their education and personal growth.

They work, play, and develop a broader understanding of the world's possibilities. We are also proud to celebrate our diversity, innovation, and continuous growth.

Our school community consists of caring parents who actively support our school and their children. It is a multicultural, multinational, and multilingual community.

#### "We are a community of learners who support the pursuit of individual excellence while also exploring ways to enrich the lives and experiences of others."

I sincerely hope that you and your family will consider joining our community. We are here to assist you in making an informed decision regarding your child's education.

#### Sean P. O'Maonaigh

over 35 years of experience in internationa education

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# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Worldwide universities acceptances since 2007.



## Canada

- University of British Columbia
- University of Toronto, Mississauga
- University of Toronto, Scarborough University of Toronto, St. George
- **Concordia University** \_
- Toronto Metropolitan University
- \_ Seneca College

## **USA**

- American International College
- Antioch College
- **Baylor University** \_
- **Boston University**
- **Carroll University** -Concordia University Ann Arbor
- **Connecticut College**
- **Culinary Arts Academy** -
- Culinary Institute Of America \_
- CUNY Baruch College -
- \_ **CUNY City College**
- **CUNY Hunter College** \_
- **Denison University** -
- \_ **DePaul University**
- Florida Institute of Technology -
- -Fordham University
- \_ Fort Lewis College
- George Fox University \_
- -Gettysburg College
- Indiana Institute of Technology
- Ithaca College -
- Johnson and Wales University's \_ Charlotte
- Loyola University Chicago
- Marymount Manhattan College \_
- Marymount University \_
- \_ Merrimack College
- Milwaukee School of Engineering
- Nebraska Wesleyan University -
- New England College \_
- North Central College

- Nova Southeastern University - Pennsylvania State University
- Pepperdine University
- **Plymouth State University**
- Queen's University of Charlotte
- Quinnipiac University
- Radford University
- Rosemont College
- Sacred Heart University
- Saint Leo University
- Saint Louis University
- Saint Mary's College of California
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Springfield College
- St. John's University
- SUNY Albany
- **SUNY Binghamton**
- SUNY Cortland
- SUNY Stony Brook University
- Syracuse University
- The College of Wooster
- University of Delaware
- University of Hartford
- University of Indianapolis
- University of Lynchburg
- University of Maine
- University of Massachusetts Boston
- University of San Francisco
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin-Whitewater York College of Pennsylvania

## Cyprus

- University of Nicosia



## **United Kingdom**

- Aberystwyth University, Wales
- Cardiff University
- Leeds Beckett University
- Queen Mary University of London University of Bath
- University of Birmingham
- University of Bristol
- University of East London University of Edinburgh
- University of Lancaster -University of Leeds
  - University of Manchester

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Germany

- University of Surrey
- University of West London

#### Congratulations to the Commencement Class of 2023 for their universities acceptances worldwide

## and scholarship offers of US\$4,500,000



- Ladkrabang
- Mahidol University International
- College
- **Rangsit University**

- Aoyama Gakuin University
- Gumma Prefectural Police

- Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Asia
- Nanyang Technological University



# **Our Vision**

Igniting inspiration from within to create a positive change in the world.

# **Our Mission**

Preparing students to become adaptable, resilient leaders and mindful, global citizens who are effective communicators, independent and collaborative learners, critical thinkers and creative problem solvers, and technological innovators.

# About XCL ASB

XCL American School of Bangkok (XCL ASB) is a private school offering a comprehensive American curriculum from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12.

With a focus on providing an international perspective, XCL ASB has a strong track record of preparing students for admission to top universities worldwide. Graduates of the school have gained acceptance into renowned institutions such as the University of California, Berkeley, University of Washington, Purdue University, Pennsylvania State University, University of British Columbia, and the University of Tokyo, often receiving full academic scholarships.

XCL ASB is recognized as an authorized provider of the Advanced Placement (AP) program by the US College Board, offering a wide range of courses to students. Established in 1983, the school is licensed by the Thai Ministry of Education and accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

At XCL American School of Bangkok, students benefit from a nurturing and supportive environment that promotes their holistic development. The school's rigorous curriculum fosters intellectual, physical, emotional, and creative growth among its students.

Additionally, the 'AP Capstone' program enables high school students to earn college credit while engaging in seminar-based learning and research. XCL ASB is part of XCL Education, a Southeast Asia-focused education group that aims to equip students with the necessary skills, mindset, and exposure to navigate an uncertain future successfully.

Currently serving 21,000 students across 17 school campuses in 4 countries, XCL Education strives to be a trusted and respected family of schools, fostering curiosity, excellence, and making a positive impact on the students, staff, and communities it serves.



# **\*A Warm Caring Community** Where Hearts Flourish and Connections Thrive

# WARM CARING COMMUNITY

XCL American School of Bangkok celebrates the uniqueness of every individual, fostering an inclusive environment where students, teachers, and parents come together as a supportive family. Our commitment to mutual respect and genuine care creates a warm atmosphere, empowering students to flourish academically, emotionally, and socially. Through collaborative efforts, we inspire compassion, empathy, and lifelong connections, making XCL American School of Bangkok a place where hearts are nurtured alongside minds.



# FACULTY

The faculty at XCL American School of Bangkok consists of 65 certified and professional teachers, many with advanced or master certifications in their teaching field.

Our faculty provides the school an abundance of experience, not only in education but also in other areas of expertise such as fine and performing arts, business studies, information technology and foreign languages.

The majority of faculty is recruited directly from the United States of America, Canada, and the United Kingdom.





# "Empowering minds, shaping futures

Unleash your potential through our innovative school programs. 🎢

# ACADEMIC PROGRAM

XCL American School of Bangkok develops its students into independent individuals with strong leadership qualities and skills. Through the delivery of an American curriculum with an international perspective, students are put on a path to become independent leaders in the global community.

Students are challenged with a comprehensive variety of core academic courses typically found in a rigorous American curriculum, including Social Studies, Science, Math and Language Arts. XCL ASB offers a wide selection of elective courses, including Robotics, Entrepreneurship, Business, Foreign Languages, Music, Art, Drama, IT, Design Technology, and more. XCL ASB also offers a wide range of Advanced Placement (AP) courses for our high school students.

## **Our Programs**

- Nursery and Kindergarten
- Elementary School
- Middle School
- High School
- University Preparation

- Project-Based Learning
- Sports
- Fine and Performing Arts
- ELL
- Summer School





## Nursery and Kindergarten

Age: 2-5 years

The nursery and kindergarten at XCL ASB offer a nurturing environment for young learners, focusing on their foundational skills and preparing them for future academic success. The teachers are specialists in early childhood education, catering to the developmental needs of each child. The children are encouraged to explore, discover, and flourish through various learning experiences. The nursery section caters to children aged 2-4, emphasizing creative, social, emotional, and physical development through guided play. In kindergarten, the focus expands to include effective communication, cooperation, self-awareness, responsibility, and independence. Basic pre-reading skills, mathematics foundations, and science exploration are also introduced through engaging activities, games, songs, and student-based experiences.

## Elementary School

Age: 6-10 years

Our elementary students enjoy well-equipped, comfortable classrooms offering a variety of high-tech and educational facilities. During the elementary years, students gain mastery of their basic skills in English, mathematics, science, social studies and technology. Physical and social development also plays an extremely important part in children's education.

Elementary students partake in drama, music, physical education, art and community-based activities. Our teachers are fully aware that all children have a preferred learning style, and reach their individual needs through a variety of teaching approaches and learning activities. Students are constantly exposed to numerous cooperative learning and student-centered activities that develop their leadership skills. Elementary students also participate in educational field trips to various museums, research centers and science exhibitions.

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## **Middle School**

Age: 11-13 years

As students enter grade six, they make a three-year transition to our challenging middle school program.

Students in middle school are introduced to a meticulous subject-based system, and project-based learning curriculum. They learn directly from specialized teachers who teach their academic subjects.

Homeroom teachers provide guidance and direction for the students throughout these transitional years.





Our 4-year rigorous high school program enables students to acquire the foundational skills and the basic requirements needed for graduation. Some of the academic courses offered include language arts, social studies, science (General Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics), math (Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Calculus and Statistics), US History, Asian Studies, World Geography, Economics, Psychology.

Electives include American literature, British literature, creative writing, journalism, foreign language (French, Japanese, Spanish, Chinese, and Thai), computer science, music, art and drama.

#### **Advanced Placement (AP) Program**

High school students may enroll in the Advanced Placement (AP) Program. Sponsored by the College Board (an American nonprofit educational association of colleges, universities, educational systems, and other educational institutions), AP courses offer a rigorous academic program. Students who participate in the AP Program not only gain college-level skills, but can also earn university credit while they are still in high school.

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PROSPECTUS Academic Year 2023-2024





# University Preparation

## Project-Based Learning [PBL]

Our university preparation program exposes students to the rigors of the university application process, including making informed choices about universities and programs and assisting them in developing an appropriate and competitive curriculum vitae and entrance application essay. Time is given to students to develop their essays and have them critiqued by a panel of XCL ASB administrators. Additionally, throughout the last two years of high school, the guidance counselor will provide all the advice and assistance a student will need to find an appropriate and challenging course of studies in a top university.

XCL ASB also provides special classes for high school students taking the SAT and iBT TOEFL tests, which are assessments needed for college / university application.

### **College / University Fair**

We host at least two college/university fairs annually to provide high school students and parents with the best possible choices for tertiary education, and information that will assist them in making important educational decisions for the future. These fairs are attended by reputed American, Canadian and Thai colleges and universities.

We support the most current and innovative approaches to teaching and learning, especially through Project-Based Learning.

Project-based learning (PBL) is a student-centered teaching method that focuses on hands-on, experiential learning. Rather than just absorbing information from a textbook or lecture, students actively engage in a project that allows them to apply what they've learned to real-world situations.

Examples of PBL projects that XCL ASB students have participated include designing and building a sustainable garden, creating a marketing campaign for a new product, or developing a solution to a local environmental issue. Project-based learning encourages students to be active learners, develops critical thinking skills, and helps them apply their learning to real-world situations.



## **Sports**

## Fine and Performing Arts

We offer a wide variety of after-school and weekend activities and sports programs which include: basketball, soccer, volleyball, badminton, tennis, softball and tee-ball, swimming, and track and field.

XCL ASB is a member of the Asia International Schools Athletics Association (AISAA). AISAA provides friendly league competition among member schools in a wide variety of sports and offers international tournaments for basketball, football and volleyball.

We encourage our students to participate in fine and performing arts classes and events to build confidence and exercise creativity.

Students perform in school-wide events consistently throughout the year, and also participate in the annual school musicals, and art showcases.







## **ELL Program** [English Language Learning]

## Summer School

We provide supplementary English Language Learning (ELL) support. This program is designed to meet the needs of students who are non-native English speakers and whose English proficiency is not yet at a level sufficient to cope with the demands of the mainstream educational program at XCL ASB. Listening, speaking, reading and writing are integrated whenever and wherever possible.

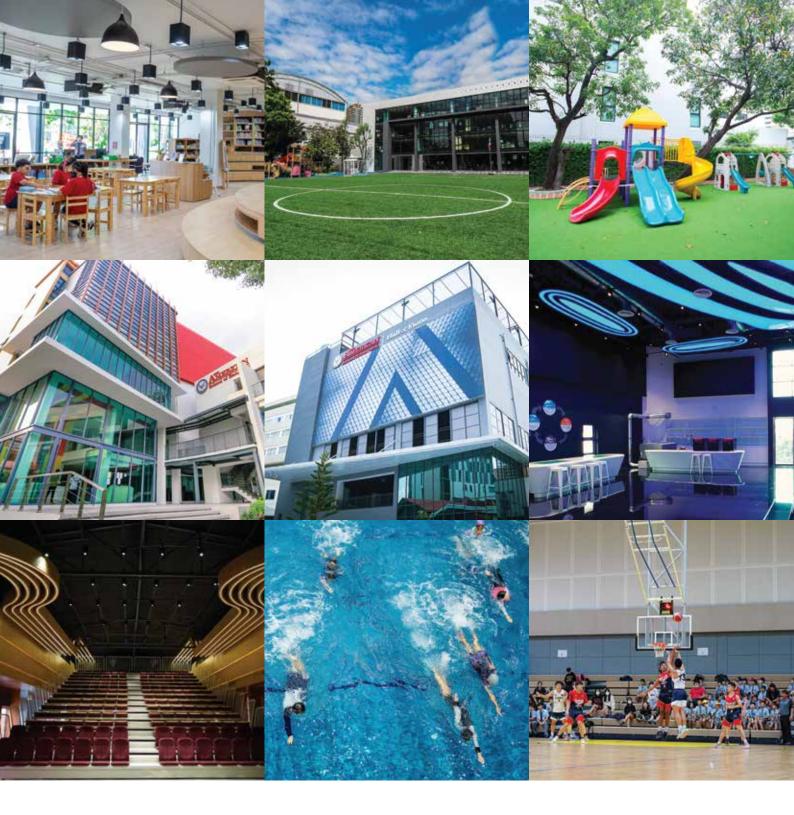
Students will attend ELL classes until they attain the skills necessary to allow them to work with sufficient independence in the regular classroom. There is an entrance test given at the time of enrollment to help place students appropriately at the level of their English proficiency.

Once students have been successful in the ELL program, and they have achieved the skills necessary to be successful in the mainstream, they exit ELL and join the mainstream program. We offer an academically enriched and fun-filled summer school program which runs from the second week of June until mid July.

The program is open to XCL ASB students as well as interested students from other international schools.

The XCL ASB summer program is a four week theme based program with an academic focus. Students are given the opportunity to enhance their skills in the areas of speaking, listening, reading and writing, while engaged in a variety of student centered activities. Projects, adventure and nature activities, sports and team building activities culminate in an enriched learning experience while developing leadership skills in students.

We also offer high school students the opportunity to take academic courses that will allow them to gain or recover credits they are missing.



# FACILITIES

XCL ASB is conveniently located in the heart of Bangkok at Sukhumvit Road Soi 49/3 (behind the world renowned Samitivej Hospital). Opened in 1983, the school's grounds have expanded to accommodate a capacity of 500 students from pre-kindergarten to grade 12. Students appreciate the natural, cozy environment of the campus. School facilities include spacious classrooms, science laboratories, library, auditorium, robotics and technology center, sports complex, art studio soccer field, playground, music studios, cafeteria, Center Point and a sports café.



# "Life Beyond Graduation

Embracing Broader World Opportunities.

# BEYOND XCL ASB

XCL ASB graduates can be found in well-known colleges and universities around the world. They have pursued studies in faculties such as Business Administration, Marketing, Public Relations, Education, Science, Aero-space Engineering, Liberal Arts and Medicine. Many of our graduates have received scholarships in their fields of study.

The Commencement Class of 2023 received over 4,500,000 US\$ worth of scholarships. Recent graduates are furthering their studies in the following institutions:

- Boston University
- Colorado State University
- Arizona State University
- Loyola University
- Marymount College
- Minnesota State University
- PACE University
- Purdue University
- Savannah College of Arts and Design
- University of California Davis
- University of Northern Iowa
- University of Washington
- University of British Columbia
- University of Toronto

- King's College of London
- Keio University
- Waseda University
- Yonsei University
- Seoul National University
- Monash University
- University of Queensland
- Chulalongkorn University
- Thammasat University
- Mahidol University
- Assumption University.
- Glion Les Roches



# ALUMNI SUCCESS STORIES



#### Jisueng Ryu Class Nationality: Korean Employment: Manager of Marketing and Strategy, Samsung Electronics

Class of 2007

<sup>1</sup>I graduated from ASB in 2007. I am currently working in Samsung Electronics as the Manager of Marketing and Strategy, and my job responsibilities include creating and executing global branding and marketing strategy. Growing up at ASB, the teachers and the community were genuinely caring for their students. No one was ever shy from praising and supporting when in need, which gave me the courage to venture out to realize my passion and dreams. ASB has inspired the happiness and the dancing feet I carry, as I've proudly become a mom to two wonderful children. Still to this day, ASB's choir songs are being sung in our home.

Congratulations ASB on 40 years of creating a safe home for children. 16 years at ASB were my happiest memories as you gave me the confidence to challenge, to grow, and to dream big.'

# Shawn Korah StephenClass of 2007Nationality: IndianEmployment: Customer Service Manager, X2 Group - X2 Logistics Networks

<sup>1</sup>I graduated from ASB in 2007. ASB has played a significant role in shaping me into the person I am today. Not only did it provide me with a quality education, but it also instilled important values and life skills. Through various extracurricular activities and community service programs, I learned the importance of teamwork, leadership, and empathy towards others.

The supportive and inclusive environment of ASB encouraged me to develop my strengths and pursue my passions, which helped me gain confidence in myself and my abilities. Overall, ASB has provided me with the foundation and skills necessary to navigate the challenges of life and become a well-rounded individual.

On this special occasion of ASB 40th anniversary, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire school community, including students, teachers, staff, and alumni. I wish you all continued success in the years to come and look forward to seeing the school flourish for many more decades to come.'



#### Sasha Smaili Nationality: Venezuelan

Class of 2009

#### Nationality: Venezuelan Employment: Project Manager, Doha, Qatar, Watad Group Enterprises

 $`{\rm I}$  graduated from ASB in 2009. I'm the IT Project Manager specializing in Airport Special Systems currently based in Doha, Qatar.

Over the years at ASB I learned how to balance my time between homework and extracurricular activities. I also gained skills which have been invaluable, perseverance in all things, organization and responsibility, which have ultimately shaped the person I've become today.

Congratulations ASB on your 40th anniversary! I hope the school will continue to do its best, grasping the opportunities, and nurturing more outstanding graduates who are innovative, creative, socially responsible, globally minded, and internationally competitive. Wishing you a bright future!'









#### Swit (Franc) Chareonsuwan Nationality: Thai

#### Class of 2014

#### **Employment: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Thailand**

I graduated from ASB in 2014. I earned my undergraduate degree in international relations, political sciences, and global public health at The Ohio State University, having graduated in 2018. Since then, I have been working as a diplomat for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Bangkok. I am currently on academic leave to pursue a graduate degree at Sciences Po in Paris, France.

Here's a piece of advice for students at ASB - Try your best to expand your horizons and never be afraid to try out new things. Most of the valuable experiences I got from ASB were from joining multiple student organizations and those experiences have opened many new doors for me throughout my college years.

My fondest memory of ASB was my senior year, and the senior field trip. ASB has always offered opportunities for me to be accomplished in my area of interest. I have always opened myself into joining various extracurricular clubs but the one that stood out the most was Model United Nations (MUN). I was one of the inaugural members in the club's debut year, and since then, I got the opportunities to travel to many places all over the region (from Pattaya to Chiang Mai to Singapore) to compete as a delegate representing the school.

### Simran Anandsongvit

Class of 2014

Nationality: Thai - Indian Employment: Independent music artist and singer, influencer and YouTuber, **Keyz Digital** 

'I graduated from ASB in 2014. I am an independent music artist and singer based in Bangkok and keep traveling to India and around the world for music collaborations and shows. I am a singer, influencer, and a YouTuber where I create my own original music singles and also perform live for shows. I have also created my own digital marketing agency, Keyz Digital where I help startups, brands and influencers grow on social media with the right content strategy and positioning.

ASB was the place for me where I was able to get out of my comfort zone and be the person I am today. With the support of my lovely teachers, I have been able to break through and understand my passion and where to invest the right energy. I had music classes and was part of the school choir so that was definitely my breakthrough point. They pushed and encouraged me with the right approach such as being able to do public speaking.

I express my gratitude to ASB on their 40th anniversary, and for the excellence in education and contributions towards honing my craft. I believe the future is bright for all those who graduate from ASB.

#### Kwang Hee (Kenny) Park Nationality: Korean

Class of 2013

**Employment: Senior Software Engineer at Orderful** 

I currently work as a senior software engineer at Orderful, where I focus on building our product that provides EDI (electronic data interchange) solutions for customers around the world.

My advice for ASB students would be to ask questions! Do not be afraid to reach out and initiate communications; knowledge and wisdom is accumulated exponentially when you converse with others. My fondest memory of ASB was going to school every morning together with my sister and brother. My greatest accomplishment at ASB was getting 1st in line to get noodles during morning break time. Last but not least, congratulations to the ASB faculty, staff, and community for the 40th anniversary!





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