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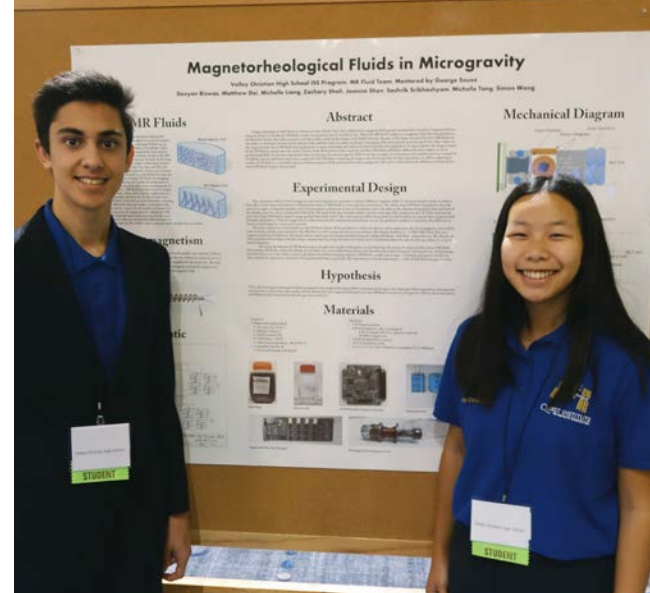
STUDENT PROGRAM

CULTIVATING GLOBAL CHRISTIAN LEADERS



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Welcome to the International Student Program

We offer an exceptional education grounded in Christian values, where every student is known, valued, and guided to reach their full God-given potential. Our dedicated faculty welcomes students from around the world, nurturing both their pursuit of academic excellence and personal growth, helping them discover their passions while developing character and faith.

Since 1997, our International Student Program (ISP) has welcomed students from countries including Brazil, China, the Czech Republic, Germany, Ethiopia, Hong Kong, Mexico, Nigeria, Russia, South Korea, and Vietnam. These students enrich our community with their diverse perspectives, forming lasting friendships and finding a true sense of belonging in our Christ-centered environment.

whether through our award-winning STEM, business, arts, and athletics programs or through vibrant student life and leadership opportunities.

We believe every student has unique, God-given talents. Our faculty and staff are dedicated to helping students pursue excellence while exploring their interests and developing holistically—academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. Many international students arrive with a focus on academics, but they leave transformed—stronger in faith, equipped with lifelong friendships, and prepared to lead with confidence and purpose.”

– Mrs. Rira Seo, Director of International Student Program



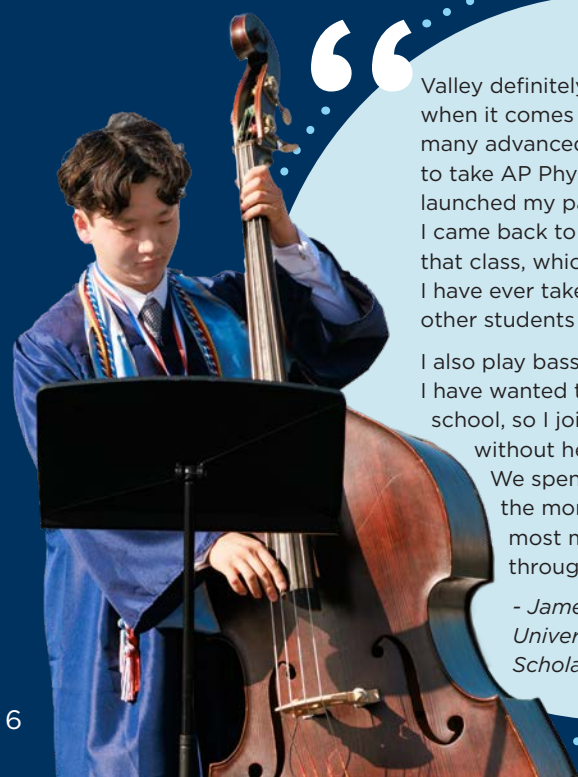
“For over a decade, I’ve had the privilege of working with international students and witnessing their incredible growth during their time at Valley Christian. I am continually inspired by the motivation they bring and the meaningful ways they contribute to our school community—



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Our international students experience a unique and enriching academic journey.

With nearly 200 courses available each year, including 54 AP and Honors classes and 33 dual credit opportunities, students have the resources to challenge themselves and explore their interests. Our nurturing and rigorous college-prep environment helps them build a strong academic foundation that supports their success in college and beyond.



“Valley definitely has a lot of options when it comes to academics. There are many advanced classes available. I was able to take AP Physics C as a sophomore, which launched my passion for physics. In junior year, I came back to become the teacher assistant for that class, which is arguably the most fun class I have ever taken. I got to explain concepts to other students and share my passion for physics.

I also play bass in the high school Jazz Ensemble. I have wanted to pursue jazz since I was in middle school, so I joined the school Jazz Ensemble without hesitation when I came on campus. We spent hours together rehearsing in the morning so I made some of the most meaningful connections through the jazz program.

- James Liu, ('24, Vanderbilt University - Full-Tuition Scholarship Awarded)

Babson College
Barnard College
Boston University (4)
Carleton College (2)
Carnegie Mellon
Case Western Reserve
Cornell University (3)
Emory College
Middlebury College
New York University (8)
University of Notre Dame
Northwestern University (2)
Tsinghua University, China
University of British Columbia
University of Toronto (2)
University of Washington (6)
UC Berkeley (8)
UC Irvine (9)
UC Santa Barbara (6)
UCLA (5)
University of Illinois Urbana Champaign (2)
University of Southern California (4)
Vanderbilt University
Wellesley College



COMPREHENSIVE SUPPORT

Meaningful relationships create a fulfilling student experience.

We intentionally design programs to help international students feel connected and cared for. These moments foster community, build confidence, and make VCS feel like home.

- Designated Academic and College Counselor
- Secondary counseling support from the ISP Director
- College workshops
- Applied English and Bible Fundamentals (high school course)
- New International Student Orientation
- Buddy Program
- Homestay Program
- International Student Association
- Extracurricular advising
- Educational, social, cultural, and faith-based events throughout the year
- International Monthly Newsletter





FAITH IN A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY

We welcome students of all faith backgrounds.

Our Christian faculty and staff guide students through spiritual exploration with compassion and respect, supporting each unique journey. Students grow in faith through chapel, build relationships with Christian students, faculty, and staff, take part in missions trips, and join in a variety of faith-based activities.

My experience at Valley Christian has been life-changing. I grew both spiritually and personally, discovering who I am in a supportive community. Through friendships, academic challenges, and the love of Christ shown through staff and peers, I found confidence and purpose.

I became a believer in Jesus and am now trying to follow His path in my daily life. I made amazing friends and took full advantage of the opportunities VCS offers—especially through ISO. I became more confident in myself and overcame a lot of my previous self-doubt.

- Lisa Liu, ('25, UC Berkeley)



PARENT INVOLVEMENT

We deeply value our international families.

Parent involvement enriches our school community and strengthens our students' sense of belonging. We invite international parents to participate by volunteering to support student activities, joining the Parent Teacher Prayer Fellowship (PTPF), or attending annual fundraising events such as the Quest Ball and Golf Classic. For parents living overseas, we would be delighted to welcome you to campus whenever you are in town so you can join us at our events. International students are a tremendous blessing to our community, and so are their parents. We are deeply grateful for the trust international parents place in Valley Christian and for their partnership in building a thriving environment for students.



We are extremely grateful for your support and encouragement over the past years. I have witnessed tremendous progress in James since he joined VCS. Although I am not a Christian, I have felt the strength and inspiration that God has brought to him. We are honored to be in VCS, and as an international student who grew up in a Chinese cultural background, I see James assimilate here and make countless breakthroughs step by step. I am proud of him, and I am also proud of VCS. Through him, I feel the unifying power of Eastern and Western cultures, which deepens my belief that **my family made an incredibly right choice four years ago.**

- Parent of James Liu ('24, Vanderbilt University - Full-Tuition Scholarship Awarded)





LIFE AFTER VCS

COLLEGE & CAREER SUCCESS

Through our “Beyond Valley” initiative, senior students connect with Christian communities on their future campuses, easing their transition into college life and their continued walk in their faith.

Additional Services and Support for Seniors and Alumni

- International Senior Retreat
- In-Person Exit Interviews
- Graduation Receptions and Gifts
- International Alumni Association
- Care Packages to Alumni

ALUMNI MINISTRIES – Once a Warrior, Always a Warrior

After graduation, our Warriors join a network of more than 10,000 alumni worldwide. The alumni ministries team regularly travels to visit and encourage graduates across the country. Through the Alumni Association and a network of ambassadors in the United States and abroad, we remain committed to encouraging, supporting, and praying for our alumni. Our hope is that graduates will find meaningful connections wherever God leads them, whether in the Bay Area, Los Angeles, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Portland, Phoenix, Denver, Chicago, Dallas, Nashville, New York, Boston, or even Paris.

Visit alumni.vcs.net to find out about our many alumni road trips, events, and reunions near you.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Our international graduates excel at top universities, including Stanford University, Harvard University, Columbia University, University of Chicago, University of Southern California, and the University of Hong Kong, and are building careers at META, Marvell, Goldman Sachs, Stanford Medicine, and more.

JOIN OUR GLOBAL FAMILY

We invite you to be part of a life-changing journey that fosters academic achievement, spiritual growth, lasting friendships, and a purposeful future. Take the next step and discover how Valley Christian can become your home away from home.



“Valley has provided me with endless opportunities that other schools usually don't offer. I was able to meet many people who were curious about various stuff, and they were all willing to help each other out as a community. The International Student Program staff and their frequent check-ins on the students helped me a lot in many senses; it made it more comfortable for me to reach out whenever I needed to ask for help.”

- Junehee Lee
(’25, UC Berkeley)





WE ARE WARRIORS.

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MISSION STATEMENT

Valley Christian Schools' mission is to provide a nurturing environment offering quality education supported by a strong foundation of Christian values in partnership with parents, equipping students to become leaders to serve God, to serve their families, and to positively impact their communities and the world.

VISION STATEMENT

A world where every student pursues their personal *Quest for Excellence™*.

FOUNDING STATEMENT

Valley Christian Schools supports the homes and churches of students in providing an education that is grounded in the Judeo-Christian values of the Bible, as reflected in the life and teaching of Jesus Christ. Valley Christian Schools is committed to a *Quest for Excellence™* in all of its educational programs, and provides a comprehensive kindergarten through twelfth grade curriculum with a rigorous college preparatory program. Firmly founded on Christian values, Valley Christian Schools challenges youth to aspire toward lives of character, service, and influence while pursuing their individual *Quests for Excellence*.



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