



**GAZIANTEP COLLEGE FOUNDATION  
PRIVATE SCHOOLS**

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**GKV School Profile**

**2016-2017 FACULTY**

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**THE SCHOOL:**

The Gaziantep College Foundation Private Schools are located in Gaziantep, Turkey. The Gaziantep College Foundation Private Schools are fully accredited by the Turkish Ministry of Education. There are approximately 1800 students in grades K-12. There are six schools under the foundation: a preschool/kindergarten, elementary school, middle school, Anatolian high school, science high school, and Cemil Alevli IB World School.

**STUDENTS/FACULTY (2015-2016 Academic Year):**

Total number of students: 1,848, of which 585 are in high school

Students on scholarships: 225

Faculty members: 142, of which 60 are high school teachers

Foreign faculty: 7 (from South Africa, Hong Kong, Syria, and The United States)

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM:**

Students may enter the school at any given time in their educational years. The Primary School covers Grades K-8 but is generally divided into two sections, the First Academic level (K-4) and the Second Academic level better known as Middle School (5-8). During Middle School, a three-year program, (Orta) students are exposed to integrated math (algebra, geometry) and science (biology, chemistry, physics), computer science, social sciences, Turkish language and literature, information technology and English by Turkish and foreign teachers of various nationalities. The Lycee/High School has been awarded the status of Anatolian Lycee/High School and Science Lycee/High School are also both a four-year program, (Lise) students receive a program equivalent to grades 9,10, 11, and 12. The Cemil Alevli IB World School offers a fully bilingual Turkish-English curriculum with two tracks: International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme or SAT-based overseas university preparation.

**CURRICULUM INFORMATION/GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

The Gaziantep College Foundation Private Schools operates on a maximum of 39 academic hours per week. Depending on the students' academic interest she/he will select a course concentration in: (1) Science and Math, which requires: Biology – 4 semesters, Physics- 4 semesters, Chemistry – 4 semesters, Mathematics – 4 semesters, and Geometry – 2 semesters; (2) Turkish and Math, which requires: Literature – 4 semesters, Psychology – 4 semesters, Geography – 4 semesters, Mathematics – 4 semesters, and Geometry – 4 semesters or; (3) Language Studies, which requires: English – 4 semesters, Linguistics – 4 semesters, Secondary Foreign Language (English is taught here also, in our school) – 4 semesters. Students also have to choose various electives as time allows. Regardless of curriculum focus, by graduation all students have completed an extremely challenging curriculum. A partial listing of the required courses for all Lycee/High School students are as follows:

Physics = 2 semesters

Biology = 2 semesters

Chemistry = 2 semesters

Mathematics = 2 semesters

Religion & Ethics = 6 semesters

Turkish Language / Literature = 6 semesters

Turkish History = 2 semesters

Health & Physical Education = 2 semesters

Philosophy = 2 semesters (logic, sociology)

Military Science = 2 semesters

When evaluating a transcript of a Gaziantep College Foundation Private Schools applicant, please consider the following information. All of our students study for the Turkish National University Exam. To prepare for this exam they are taking special courses on weekdays, after school for 2-4 hours each, and on weekends for 4-6 hours each day. In addition, many of them are taking private tutorials on as many as 5 days a week.

**GRADING SYSTEM:**

The grading system is based on a scale of 5-1, 1 being failure. To determine the grade point average, the semester subject grade is given a value of 5 to 1 and is multiplied by the number of academic hours per week, and the average is then calculated. As the grading system is not curved, please refer to the accompanying grade distribution chart to accurately evaluate the student’s transcript.

Ranking is based on overall standing in the class. It gives no consideration to curriculum concentration selected in Lycee/High School.

**Grading system:**

<u>Point</u>	<u>Grade Value</u>	<u>Rank</u>
85 – 100	5	Excellent
70 – 84,99	4	Good
60 – 69,99	3	Average
50,00 - 59,99	2	Passing
0 – 49,99	1	Failing

**SISTER SCHOOLS PROGRAMS:**

Gaziantep College Foundation Private Schools has a policy of adopting sister schools. By working collaboratively with our partner schools, our students develop international-mindedness and global perspective. We are constantly searching for schools to become sister schools, and so far we have had four schools from Germany (2), The Netherlands (2010), India (2012) and Sweden (2014). We regularly organize student and teacher exchange programs with our sister schools. During the planning sessions, students and teachers are paired with partners. The guest students will stay with their partners’ families during their visit, which generally lasts eight days. We plan a very detailed program of activities in which the students can visit important monuments, landmarks, and local attractions.

**STUDENT EXCHANGE AND STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS:**

For the last ten years, students have participated in study abroad and exchange programs such as AFS, IEF, Lions Club and Rotary International. Some of the countries represented are: Belgium, Brazil, Sweden, Canada, Germany, Czech Republic, India, The United Kingdom, and The United States.

For several years GKV hosted an international dance and music festival on our campus, which was attended every year by school and professional dance and music troupes from countries such as Russia, Ukraine, India, Georgia, and Turkish Cyprus.

**CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH PROFICIENCY EXAMS:**

In the last three years, 82 students have taken Cambridge Young Learners, KET, PET, and FCE exams.

**TOEFL, SAT, AND ACT EXAMS:**

In 2015 and 2016, fifteen students took TOEFL exams, ten students took SAT exams, and three students took ACT exams.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMS AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES:**

GKV has a long history of community service, including ten years of joint CIP projects with Robert College in Istanbul, as well as several award-winning projects by students in the middle school and high schools. Creativity-Action-Service (CAS) programs in Cemil Alevli IB World School are a core part of the IB Diploma Programme.

Students at GKV high schools participate in several Model United Nations and European Youth Parliament conferences every year. Recently our middle school students began attending Junior Model United Nations conferences. GKV regularly hosts local debate and youth parliament conferences, and in March, 2016, we initiated an annual conference called KOLUF, which was attended by schools from all over Turkey.