



Sejong Academy of Minnesota

UPPER SCHOOL NEWS

IB Middle Years Program (7-10) | Global Leadership Program (11-12)

Korea Trip 2023

We have started plans for our student trip to Korea in 2023! This trip will be for students in grades 9-11 over May break, tentatively scheduled for May 19-May 28, 2023.

IB Attributes

Teachers and students are focused on developing attributes in the Upper School this year. The 10 attributes of all International Baccalaureate (IB) are: caring, inquirer, knowledgeable, risk-taker, reflective, open-minded, principled, thinker, balanced, communicators.

Authorized MYP

On June 24, 2022, Sejong Academy of Minnesota received the good news that we are now an authorized International Baccalaureate World School, with an official IB Middle Years Program (MYP) in place. We join a community of 31 MYP's in Minnesota and a worldwide community of MYP's in over 100 countries around the globe!



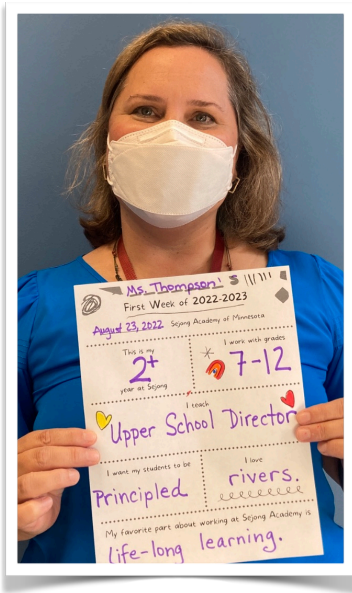
Service and Action

Korean language scholars kicked off the year with a service project right in our school yard. Service (providing support to others or the environment, for example) and Action (taking steps towards self-improvement, for example) are core values in Sejong Academy's Upper School.

Sejong Academy families are invited to discuss service and action around the dinner table this fall, sharing examples of both service and action. Upper School teachers will also be planting ideas for service and action in all areas of the curriculum this year.

Our students have many gifts to offer their communities!





**Ms. Thompson,
Upper School
Director**

Ms. Thompson is the Upper School Director. She reports to Executive Director Dr. Tipka and leads the Upper School faculty.

Ms. Thompson has worked in 3 IB World Schools: one in Korea, one in Ghana, and Sejong Academy in the United States!

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Ms. Thompson invites Upper School parents, guardians, board members, and students to write or telephone her with questions and ideas. Together as partners, we can achieve our school mission.

Global Leadership Program

This year we are launching a new program at Sejong Academy: the Global Leadership Program for students in grades 11-12. This program has been designed to follow our Middle Years Program for students in grades 7-10 and to help ensure our school vision is achieved:

Sejong Academy students will become scholars of Korean and English, as well as socially responsible global citizens.

Students in grades 11-12 continue studies in Math, English, Korean, Design, Music, Social Studies, and Science. They also have new classes this year like: Physics, Global Leadership, Korean Film, Korean History, Mixed Martial Arts, Global Citizen Science, and Asian American Studies!

We are thrilled to welcome our first 12th grade students at Sejong Academy this year and are planning a special graduation ceremony to honor their achievements.

