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AMERICAN NICARAGUAN SCHOOL
Connecting the Global Community
The ANS Mission is to provide its multicultural student community with a US-accredited college preparatory program, based on democratic and universal values, that develops critical thinkers and ethical individuals capable of realizing their leadership potential by making meaningful contributions to society.

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“In ANS’ dynamic learning community, students have an opportunity to engage in learning activities that help them develop cognitively, socially, and emotionally throughout all grade levels and in all disciplines. Global awareness and a commitment to community service are two key pillars of the ANS experience. Students, parents, teachers, administrators: come join us. Being part of ANS will change your world in positive ways!”

Dr. Jeffrey Keller
Director General
90% of graduating students are involved in community service

More than 30 Nationalities

7% European
6% Asian
9% Other Latin American
3% Rest of the World
35% United States
40% Nicaraguan

Faculty:
50% American
47% Nicaraguan
3% Other

Accredited by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges, a division of AdvancED

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Founded in 1944

Aproximately 18 students per class average

980 Tigers

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The American Nicaraguan School (ANS) is a non-profit, private, coeducational, multicultural institution, founded in 1944. From Kinder 3 through Grade 12, ANS provides a rigorous academic program through an American curriculum, with classes taught in English. The School is governed by a seven member Board of Directors, with six members elected by the American Nicaraguan School’s parents, and one member appointed by the U.S. Embassy. ANS community members include diplomatic corps, foreign and local business, Nicaraguan government, and international assistance groups working in Nicaragua. As an AdvancED accredited institution, ANS follows a US-based curriculum with the addition of the optional Nicaraguan Ministry of Education’s Bachillerato program. English is the language of instruction through all grade-levels at ANS, starting at Kinder 3. The ANS curriculum applies innovative programs, including Balanced Literacy and Singapore Math as early as in Kinder 4 throughout the Elementary School. With programs such as Science Fusion, students from K5 through 8th Grade follow a project-based learning method. Middle School and High School students incorporate technology use in their lessons through the One-to-One Laptop Program. Secondary School students apply their skills through involvement in both curricular and extra-curricular activities. Students can opt to challenge themselves by taking classes from the Global Studies Academy Program, picking up a third or fourth language, as well as choosing from 16 academically diverse AP courses, adding to their preparation for attending colleges and universities in the United States and around the world.
The Early Learning Center provides the right combination of play and structured instruction centered on an inquiry-based learning model. ANS’ youngest students are introduced to Singapore Math and Science Fusion as early as K5. In addition, the ANS ELC implements a Balanced Literacy approach to reading and writing instruction.
The **Elementary** student body, comprised of over 300 children from grades 1-5, comes from all ends of the globe. The Elementary School collaborates with parents, teachers, and children to form a partnership and provide the students with the best possible educational experience. Every day, students strive to fulfill the ANS’ school mission by becoming leaders with innovative and ethical minds, making meaningful contributions to society. Students are exposed to a variety of fun and meaningful activities throughout their school life at ANS, developing their social, emotional, and academic abilities. Through the Responsive Classroom approach, students receive a daily lesson on character building, that teaches them to become life-time learners and problem solvers. An emphasis on equality and diversity is stressed as students reach
their goals through the many and varied school and community activities. The Elementary School Support Services consists of a full-time counseling program and a complete Learning Support program to help students with mild learning differences. The Student Council (STUCO) provides leadership for the student body through various activities, including the support of a local school.
“Here at ANS, the staff does not fail to serve technological needs. Teachers are often able to incorporate technology into their class to captivate our, the students’, attention. Instead of only using books and heavy textbooks (although don’t get me wrong, reading is an extremely amazing hobby), they put light and colors into our learning. Videos, e-books, worksheets, interactive activities, images, presentations, and other online resources are always in use, always accessible for us, students, and making us engage more.”

- Wei-Ting Shi
Class of 2020
“The Middle School One-to-One Laptop program allows my students to truly become global citizens who are prepared for life in the 21st century. We use technology every day in class to bring the real-world into our Algebra classroom. Whether we are calculating the fuel cost necessary to transport pineapples from Thailand to Nicaragua, FaceTiming with professors from some of the world’s best universities about food sourcing, or researching how supply and demand affects the prices of the foods that we eat, the One-to-One Laptop program opens the world to our students. In addition, this program helps provide immediate data points surrounding student performance, which allows me to cater instruction to the level and pace needed for my students to be successful.”

- Kyle Martin
8th Grade Algebra
The High School experience at ANS offers a rigorous academic program, balanced with a strong athletics program and various community service opportunities through 25 extra-curricular clubs and organizations. Students may participate in international debate conferences, such as Model United Nations (MUN) and HACIA Democracy, as well as test their academic skills at the international Knowledge Bowl Tournament. As for athletics, students compete both locally and in major regional events, including Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball, Cross Country, Swimming, and Track & Field tournaments. Lastly, community service oriented clubs, such as Aproquen, Operation Smile, National Honor Society, Pink Club, and Un Techo Para Mi Pais, compliment groups as the Drama, Writing, Art, and Green Club, in offering students a well-rounded High School experience.
25 academic, artistic, and community service clubs including:

Extracurricular Sports*

- Soccer
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Track and Field
- Dance
- Chess
- Swimming
- Gymnastics
- Tae Kwon Do

*After-school team sports are available as early as first grade
High School students can choose to partake in the Global Studies Academy, a program that provides them with a globalized perspective on humanities through courses in Human Geography, World Religions, and courses in a third or fourth language, including Mandarin and/or French. These courses, in addition to the 16 Advanced Placement courses offered in High School, prepare the student for post-secondary education in universities around the world.
Recent College Acceptances

North America:
American Musical and Dramatic Academy
Austin Community College
Babson College
Baylor University
Belmont Abbey College
Bentley University
Bryant University
Boston College
Brown University
Catholic Univ. of America
Champlain College Vermont
Elon University
Emory University
Emory College Florida Inst. of Technology
Florida Inst. of Technology
Florida State University
Fordham University
Franciscan University
Johnson & Wales University
Loyola Univ. New Orleans
Loyola Univ. Chicago
Lehigh University
Lynn University
Marymount Manhattan Coll.
Marymount University
Mercyhurst University
Miami Dade Comm. College
Northeastern University
New York University
Penn State University
Purdue University
Roger Williams University
Southeastern University
St. Louis University
Southern Methodist University

U$ 8 Million offered in scholarships every year

Average of Recent College Acceptances

St. Leo University
St. Edward's University
Stonehill College
Texas Christian University
Trinity University
Tulane University
University of Florida
University of Notre Dame
University of Southern California
University of British Columbia
University of Colorado - Boulder
University of Illinois - Champaign
University of Pennsylvania
University of Tampa
University of Virginia
U. of N. Carolina - Greensboro
Valley Forge Military Academy
Villanova University
Virginia Tech
Wake Forest University
Walsh University
Wentworth Institute of Tech.
Latin America
UCIMED
Universidad Americana (UAM)

Europe
Universidad de Navarra

Asia
National Cheng Kung University
National Taiwan University