

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

SAN JOSÉ SCHOOL



We cannot teach Experience,
so come and live the

EXPERIENCE, REFLECT and ACT



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w e f o r m p e o p l e

... able to discern the rightness of their own actions

.. caring for others and the Common Home

...who try to do more, the better the greater, for God. **MAGIS**th

... open to the world, in dialogue and in a global network



conscience
competent
compassionate
committed

... grateful and detached

... who are depth and contemplative

... Global Citizens engaged with justice and solidarity

... able to interact with reality and take care of the world

To love and serve in all things

1. SCHOOL LOCATION AND HISTORY

Located in Villafranca de los Barros, nestled within the heart of the Barros countryside in Badajoz (Spain), San Jose School offers an unrivalled integral education which is streamlined to the individual academic and co-curricular talents of each student.

The region is well known by the red colour of its fertile land, the cultivation of olives and grapes.

The construction of San Jose School started in the late years of the 19th century. History of the School runs in parallel to the progress of the 20th century.

In successive renovations and extensions, new facilities were deployed resulting in the current campus that embeds a boarding residence with boys and girls' sections, educational facilities, music and arts auditorium, outdoor sport facilities, indoor sport centre, open air swimming pool, etc.







The area is surrounded of unique historical centres that offer many cultural co-curricular activities to the students. A significant number of World Heritage locations are visited by our students every year as part of our co-curricular activities: Merida and the Roman Heritage, the uniqueness of Seville, the enchanted Cordoba, Caceres and its Medieval Heritage, etc.

A plethora of diverse co-curricular opportunities complement the academic provision allowing each student to find something that can become their passion. Whether a day pupil or boarder, each student is immersed into a world of possibilities and opportunities, enabling them to grow personally and academically. They build the foundations for their future, including strong friendships and an understanding of their place in society.

Situación de Extremadura
Location of Extremadura



2. PASTORAL EXCELLENCE

Our religious experiences allow our students to find God in all things, fostering a sense of community.

As a school focused on the values of the Gospel, our faith life follows the spirituality of Saint Ignatius the Loyola and his method of the Spiritual Exercises.





San José is part of a rich heritage of Jesuit education, being the only Jesuit boarding school in Spain.

San José's mission is to form men of competence, conscience, courage, and compassion; men of faith and men for others.

Jesuit education inspires students to live their lives with a purpose and spirit of leadership and service to others, to help create a better world.

SERVICE PROGRAM

In collaboration with Entreculturas, the Jesuit NGO, the San José Pastoral creates several opportunities for students to experience solidarity with people in needs.

RETREAT PROGRAM

Students will have the opportunity to attend Retreats with their classmates to develop an authentic relationship with God, that will help them to growth as men and women for others.



PILGRIMAGES

San José de Villafranca school also offers students the opportunity to take pilgrimages during the school year.

Every year by the end of June, a group of San José de Villafranca students finishing 3 or 4^o ESO take "El Camino de Santiago", accompanied by relevant members of the School Pastoral.

During a week, as they walk to Santiago de Compostela, they share experiences, spiritual conversations and faith, in a journey that will empower them in their search to find "God in all things"



3. ACADEMIC LIFE

Academic achievement is central to San José de Villafranca School. Our outstanding results in State Examinations (EBAU) allow the access of our students to class universities and grades like ICAI, ICADE, Medicine, Mathematics, Law, etc.

Following the academic regulation in Spain, academic life at San José is organized around three different cycles:

- Primary School (6–12 years old),
- Secondary School (12–16 years old),
- Baccalaureate (16–18 years), consisting in two final years in high school which are required if the student wants to attend University.





Studying Baccalaureate in San Jose is a unique opportunity for foreign students who want to continue their education in top Spanish universities. San Jose de Villafranca is an active member of the worldwide network of Jesuits schools and has preferential agreements with other leading Jesuits universities like Comillas ICAI-ICADE, Deusto, Loyola, etc.

We also offer the Dual Diploma®, which is an official program for the international recognition of school-leaving qualifications, which allows students to obtain 2 simultaneous degrees: that of their own country: (“Bachillerato” in Spain) and the American High School Diploma.



Non-native Spanish speakers will receive Spanish lessons during the academic year.

International students can receive academic reinforcement and support to facilitate their integration in their academic activities.

The pedagogical and orientation department will closely monitor the progress and performance of our international students, and in case of special needs, additional service packages of academic support will be offered to the families for this consideration.



The educational team is in permanent communication with the students and families, with careful monitoring of progress, regular reporting and excellent communication channels.

We embrace innovative and modern approaches to education which are evident in our Co-Operative Learning Classrooms.

4. ARTS AND SPORTS

San Jose organizes and encourages its students to participate in numerous co-curricular activities. Our school is very proud of student's achievements in the sports, artistic and cultural fields.





Our music department has a school choir and a musical band. Our students can participate while learning to play different instruments and participate in school concerts.

We also offer a debating group and participation in drama and the enabling of creative expression.





Together with arts, sport plays **an important part in the student's life** at San José.

The schools offers a wide range of sports including basketball, handball, paddle, soccer, volleyball, etc. We also offer an outdoor swimming pool in summertime.

Indoors, students enjoy a gymnasium with a climbing wall, sports center.

Other co-curricular activities include robotics, programming, chess, etc.





5. BOARDING

The care and wellbeing of each student is at the heart of boarding life at San José both as an individual and as a member of a community.

San José School is proud about providing a home away from home for our students. We offer five and seven day boarding with activities on weekends; accommodation is provided in individual or double rooms. The residence has two sections for boys and girls.





The life in the residence facilitates the students to obtain the best results academically, in a flexible but controlled context that allows them to acquire personal autonomy and independence.

Our students behave in a responsible and committed manner. With the help of the educators and directors of the Residence, they are able to balance study and leisure times, act with values and contribute to making the time at San José an exciting and unforgettable experience for everyone.

Living in the residence gives students the opportunity to participate in many co-curricular activities, enjoying the School facilities, social and cultural outings.



**hombres y mujeres
para los demás**



6. INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

San José boarding brings together students of different nationalities and cultures, generating a climate of tolerant coexistence.

Teachers are part of this community, fostering debate and critical thinking among students, and providing the academic and personal support of professionals who feel a true passion for teaching.

San José is a great place for students who aim learning Spanish in a secure and tolerant environment.

Classes are conducted mainly in Spanish; non-native students will receive Spanish language classes, and academic reinforcement to feel fully integrated in all class activities.

During their stay, there will be ongoing and constant communication between the school and families.

Families will be kept informed on students' adaptation and evolution.



7. COURSES' ORGANIZATION

Regular sessions start in September, the precise date is communicated to families with at least one month in advance.

During the academic year there are two break periods corresponding to Christmas and Easter. The residence will be closed during those periods though accommodation alternatives with local families can be arranged if needed.

The daily agenda, Monday to Friday, is organized depending on the educational cycle of the students.



Weekend activities:

Students living in 7 days residence model will have weekend activities with a full program for outings, trips and excursions organized throughout the school year



8. SERVICES

We offer a flexible approach to our services

BASIC PACKAGE:

- Tuition fees.
- Full boarding Monday to Sunday during the school calendar.
- Social and sport activities during the week.
- Personalized and continuous academic follow-up and attention to families.
- Monthly follow-up reports.
- Welcome week activities.
- On-campus nursing service.

EXTENDED PACKAGE:

- Reinforcement group and support for the study (depending on the needs of the student it could vary from Spanish language sessions or curriculum subjects).
- One-day and two-days excursions (cultural visits, outdoor activities, etc).
- Airport / train station transportation.
- Dual Diploma from Académica (Spanish and American High School Diploma).
- Option to stay with a host family during the weekends.
- Option to stay with a host family during school vacations (Christmas period and Holy Easter Week).
- School uniform.
- Books and materials.
- Laundry.

Individual services included in the Extended package can be added to the Basic package to configure a fully personalized offer to the families.

Charges may apply for Visa application and administrative processes for non-EU residents.



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