



Starting 2026

Introducing the New Global Course at Luther Junior High School

Celebrating 100 years of English Education at Luther, with a new step forward

Features

- ① Homeroom teachers will be native English-speaking foreign instructors who have obtained teaching licenses in Japan
- ② High-level English classes are taught by native English speakers who have obtained teaching licenses in Japan
- ③ Opportunities for daily exposure to live English are provided, allowing students to enhance their English communication skills
- ④ Students who need Japanese language support can take Japanese classes taught by teachers who are certified to teach Japanese as a second language
- ⑤ For students who need Japanese language support, assistance will be provided in some subjects taught in Japanese
- ⑥ Entering Japanese high schools, overseas high schools or international schools is envisioned as a next step after graduation

Targeted Students

- ① Students who will graduate in March 2026 from Luther International Primary School
- ② Students who will graduate in March 2026 from an international school or public elementary school
- ③ Students who communicate in English on a daily basis
- ④ Returnee students from overseas who can communicate both in English and in Japanese
- ⑤ Students who have obtained at least Level Pre2 of the English Proficiency Test or TOEFL Primary score of 212 on Step 2
- ⑥ Students who intend to enroll in a high school overseas or an IBDP (International Baccalaureate Diploma Program) at an international school in the future

Is the Global Course equivalent to an international school?

No, it is not. It is not classified as a school of any kind. This Global Course is a part of a standard private junior high school curriculum recognized under Article 1 of the Japanese School Education Law. Therefore, upon completion, students will be qualified to graduate from Luther Junior High School.

Is it possible to advance to a Japanese high school after graduating from the Global Course?

Yes. The goal of this course is for students to acquire the English language skills necessary to enter not only Japanese high schools, but also international high schools and IBDP (International Baccalaureate Diploma Program) in other countries

Is Japanese language ability required to enroll in the Global Course?

Yes. While the course is designed to help students enhance their English skills and communication, subjects like social studies and science are taught in primarily Japanese. Therefore, a certain level of Japanese comprehension is necessary. In the future, we hope to offer classes in English in other subjects, such as mathematics, physical education, music, etc. For students who need assistance in Japanese, English-speaking assistants will support students.

Are there any requirements?

Basically, students must be able to communicate in both Japanese and English, and understand English and Japanese classes.

When is the entrance examination process?

Entrance exam for Kyushu Lutheran International Primary School students
 Application period: Beginning of November
 Entrance examination date: End of November
 Examination Content: Application screening process, English exam, English interview, Japanese interview

Global Course First Entrance Examination
 Application period: Beginning of November
 Entrance examination date: End of November
 Examination Content: Application screening process, Mathematics, English exam, English interview, Japanese interview

Global Course Second Entrance Examination
 Application period: Beginning of December
 Entrance examination date: Beginning of January
 Examination Content: Application screening process, Mathematics, English exam, English interview, Japanese interview

How many students will be accepted?

20 students per grade

