



Board Annual Report 2026-27

Excellence by Design



SECTION 1

Who We Are

Mission, vision, values, and the community we serve.

Board of Directors

Governance with purpose and accountability.

**Appointed Board
established in 2014**

**Acts strategically for
long-term sustainability**

**Maintains clear
governance and
leadership roles**

**Maintains and revises
governing policies**

**Provides ongoing board
training**

**Holds scheduled
meetings and
community updates**

**Bruce
McKillican**

Founding Member
Stay in Tamarindo

**Jeff
Ruzicka**

Founding Member
Marlin Del Rey

**Brian
Bratton**

Board Member
Tamarindo Luxury Villas

**Jeff
Wornstaff**

**Board Consultant
& Trainer**

**Lois
Maré**

**School
Director**

A Message from CRIA’s Board

Foundations Secured. Excellence Multiplied.

1. Time Matters

We continue to treat every school day as a high-value investment in each child’s future.

2. Foundations First

CRIA protects the compounding value of education by anchoring learning in evidence-based, time-tested practices.

3. Long-Term Outcomes

We build the literacy, numeracy, knowledge, and character that prepare students for university, career, and life.

Results That Support the Approach

90%

AP Pass Rate
Top-tier in
Costa Rica

1220

Mean SAT
83rd percentile
worldwide

MAP

Growth
Individualized
Growth K-8

100%

University
Acceptances
Global Reach

CRIA continues to deliver lasting value on a family’s most important investment: a child’s education.

Our Mission: Rooted in Costa Rica. Global in Outlook.

Dual Accreditation

- U.S. and Costa Rica accredited
- Rigorous college-prep pathway
- Recognized in Costa Rica and internationally
- Validated by Strong MEP Outcomes

Serving Our Community

- Costa Rican families
- Long-term international residents
- Globally mobile families

A Passion for Learning

Building knowledge, curiosity, confidence, and the habits of lifelong learning

Leadership & Character

Developing the skills, values, and courage to lead responsibly in our communities and the world

Costa Rica Academic Outcomes

100%

Grade 6
MEP Pass Rate

94%

Grade 11
MEP Pass Rate

Costa Rica International Academy is a U.S. and Costa Rica accredited college preparatory school serving both Costa Rican and international families. We inspire a passion for learning and equip students with the skills, values and courage to become responsible leaders in their communities and the world.

Inspired by Vision, Driven by Values

Values

- **Growth mindset** — resilience, effort, reflection, improvement
- **Family values** — compassion, gratitude, respect, responsibility, community
- **The Golden Rule** — treat others as you wish to be treated

Vision

To be a world-class American international school in Costa Rica, recognized for high expectations, high performance, and accountability.

Student Survey Results 2026

93%

I'm accepted
for who I am

97%

I practice
good
citizenship

96%

Good grades
are important
to me

90%

Teachers help
me learn from
mistakes

How We Teach: CRIA’s Educational Philosophy

Six years before the 2026 MEP guidance, CRIA had already established principles of academic neutrality, diversity of thought and knowledge-based critical thinking.

CRIA 2020	MEP Circular DM-CIR-0047-2026 <i>Political-Electoral Neutrality, Prohibition of Proselytism & Objective Pedagogical Mediation</i>
No sociopolitical indoctrination	No proselytism or indoctrination
Knowledge provides the foundation for critical analysis	Objective, curriculum-based pedagogical practices
Teachers facilitate inquiry; they do not prescribe conclusions	No use of institutional authority for political-electoral influence
Students form their own reasoned conclusions	Students are not directed toward predetermined political conclusions

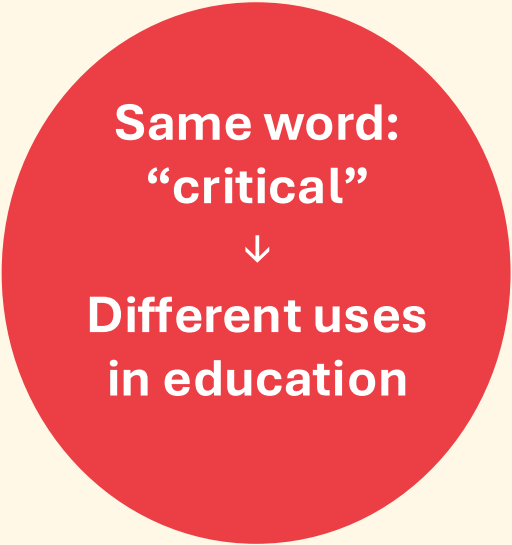


The 2026 MEP circular reinforces principles embedded in CRIA practice since 2020: political neutrality, objective teaching, freedom from proselytism, and students’ freedom to reach their own reasoned conclusions.

What Do We Mean by “Critical Thinking”?

CRIA distinguishes disciplinary critical thinking from uses of “critical” that focus primarily on examining society, power and social structures.

Disciplinary Critical Thinking	Critical Pedagogy / Social Critique
Compare & contrast evidence and ideas	Examine society through power relationships
Classify & categorize information	Examine patterns of inequality and marginalization
Analyze causes, arguments and evidence	Develop critical consciousness about social structures
Evaluate the strength of competing claims	Examine institutions, assumptions and prevailing norms
Synthesize information from multiple sources	Connect learning with social and political experience
Form conclusions based on evidence	Consider possibilities for social change or transformation



CRIA’s Approach

CRIA teaches students to analyze, evaluate, synthesize, and reason from evidence—without prescribing political or ideological conclusions.

SECTION 2

A Strong School in a Strong Market

Economic, demographic, and enrollment trends shaping CRIA's future.

Global Perspective. Local Roots.

True global readiness is not learned only in textbooks; it is experienced every day in our classrooms, hallways, and friendships.

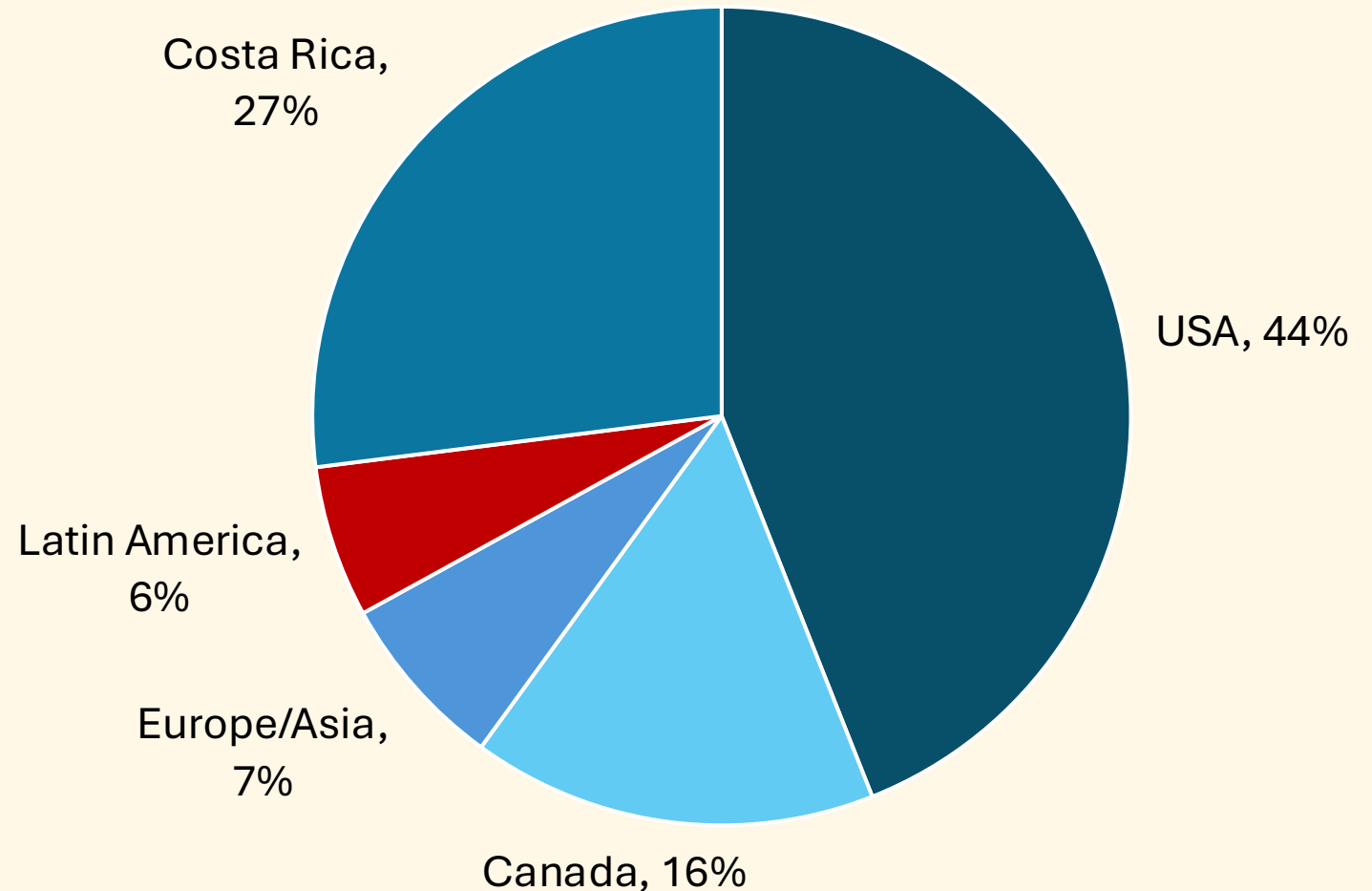
24 nationalities are represented at CRIA, creating a genuinely international school community on Costa Rica's Gold Coast.

85% of students are Costa Rican nationals or long-term residents, giving CRIA deep local roots and a stable community where international students do more than visit — they belong.

Through daily interaction across cultures, students develop the adaptability, communication skills, and perspective needed to thrive in an interconnected world.

At CRIA, international diversity is not an initiative. It is part of who we are.

Student Nationalities



A Global Faculty

Attracting and retaining exceptional educators from Costa Rica and around the world

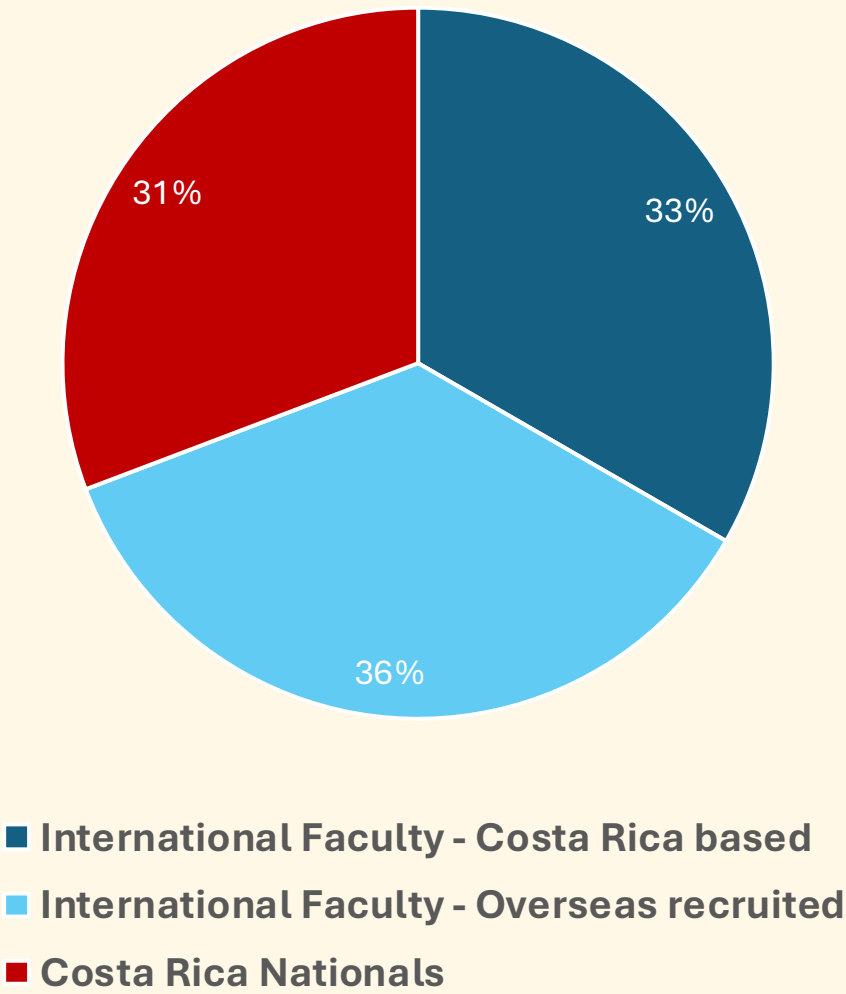
Faculty Composition

69%
Internationally trained faculty

13
Nationalities represented

Global
Recruitment reach

64%
Live locally in Costa Rica



The Gold Coast Boom

Population growth, rising expat concentration, and an expanding market for premium education.

3–4% REGIONAL GROWTH

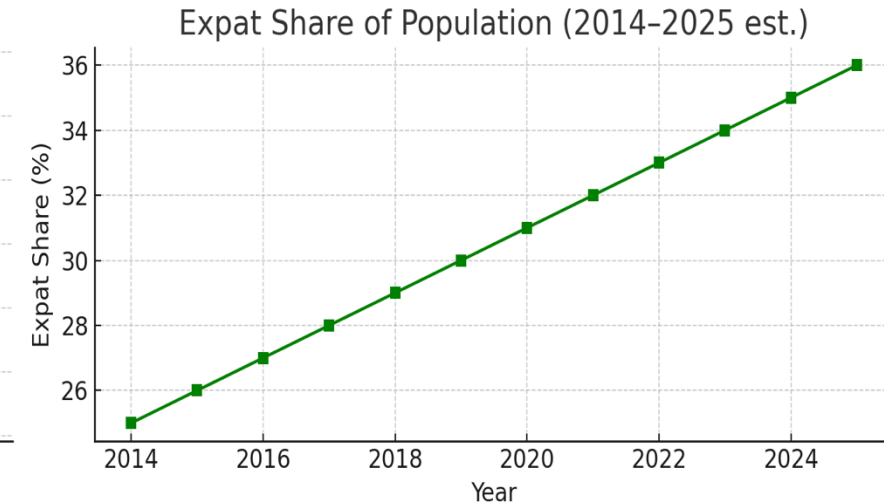
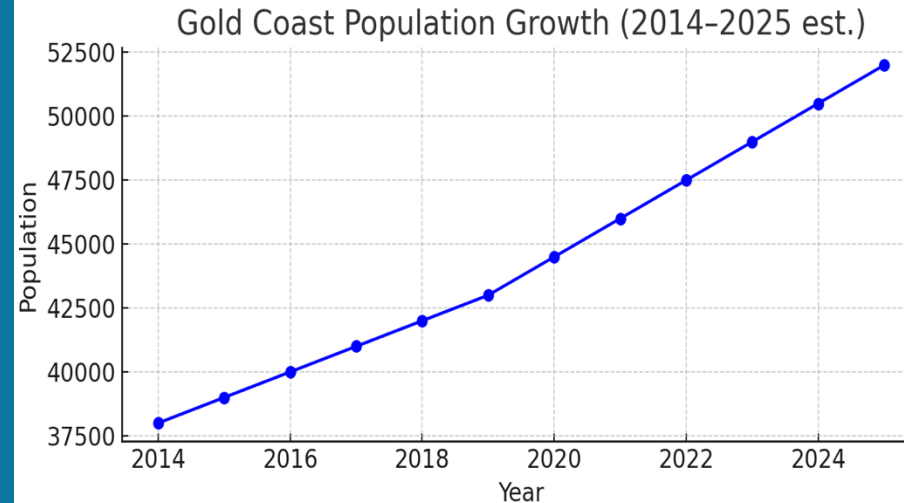
Gold Coast population growth continues to outpace national averages.

~36% EXPAT SHARE

Up from approximately 25% in 2014.

10–11,000 SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN

A growing potential market for private education.



158 → ~400
CRIA ENROLLMENT
+153% GROWTH
2014–15 to 2026–27

Source: INEC (Costa Rica), Municipal Planning Data (Santa Cruz & Carrillo), World Bank Migration Trends, 2023–2024.

Attracting and Retaining Quality Educators

Professional Development

CRIA Professional Development Training Grants

Professional Development Funding

Merit

Stipends for Extra Responsibility

Annual 4% Income Step

Retention & Stability

Longevity Bonus

Tuition Waiver

This incentive pay places CRIA’s total compensation **among the most competitive packages in Costa Rica**, while directly strengthening teacher quality, retention, and program excellence. These programs continue to expand, ensuring CRIA remains a leader in attracting and retaining top teaching talent.

Ensuring Excellence in Teaching

Supporting Teachers, Strengthening Learning

Great teaching is the foundation of student success.

CRIA maintains a structured teacher observation and feedback cycle designed to support both accountability and professional growth.

New teachers

Multiple observations and feedback sessions during each of their first two years

Experienced teachers

Annual observations and feedback

More in-depth observations every other year

Through TPES

Teachers receive coaching, constructive feedback, and recognition for excellent practice.

CRIA observes, supports, coaches, and recognizes teachers systematically.

Regular Classroom Observations

Consistent feedback and instructional support

Professional Growth

Coaching and mentoring at every level

Celebrating Excellence

Recognizing and rewarding strong teaching

Strong Early-Career Support

Intensive observation and coaching in the first two years

Teaching and the Path to Long-Term Wealth

#3 Teachers

Teachers ranked among the top three professions represented in Ramsey Solutions' National Study of Millionaires, a survey of more than 10,000 U.S. millionaires.

79% No Inheritance

79% of those surveyed received no inheritance, reinforcing the role of long-term saving, investing, and financial discipline in building wealth.

[Ramsey Solutions](#)



SECTION 3

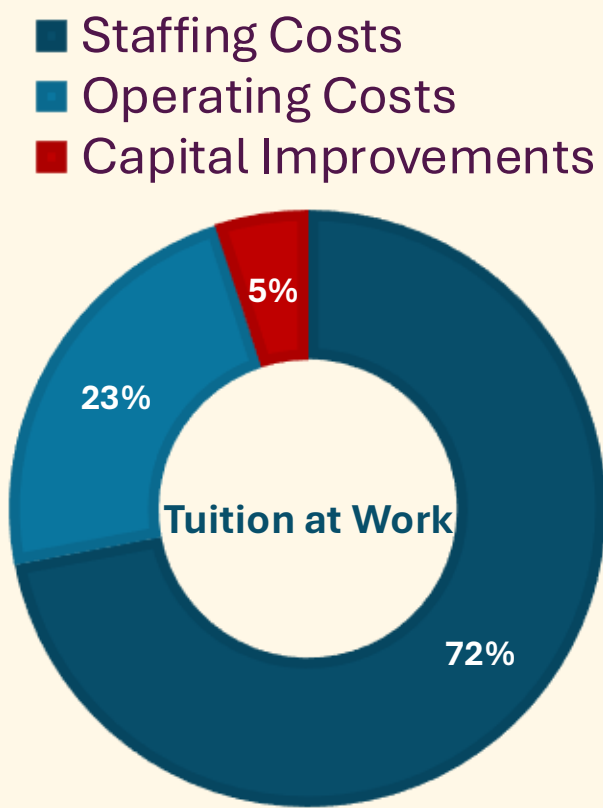
Investing in Excellence, Measured in Outcomes

Our ongoing investment in teachers, resources, facilities, and technology ensures what matters most: student success.

Strong Finances, Stronger Learning

Responsible stewardship that puts resources where they matter most.

Annual Allocation Targets
% of Revenues



HOW TUITION IS PUT TO WORK

Staffing — 72%
Teachers, administration, support staff, compensation, and benefits

Operating Costs — 23%
Student services, utilities, service providers, maintenance, and day-to-day operations

Capital Improvements — 5%
Furnishings, technology, teaching resources, and campus upgrades

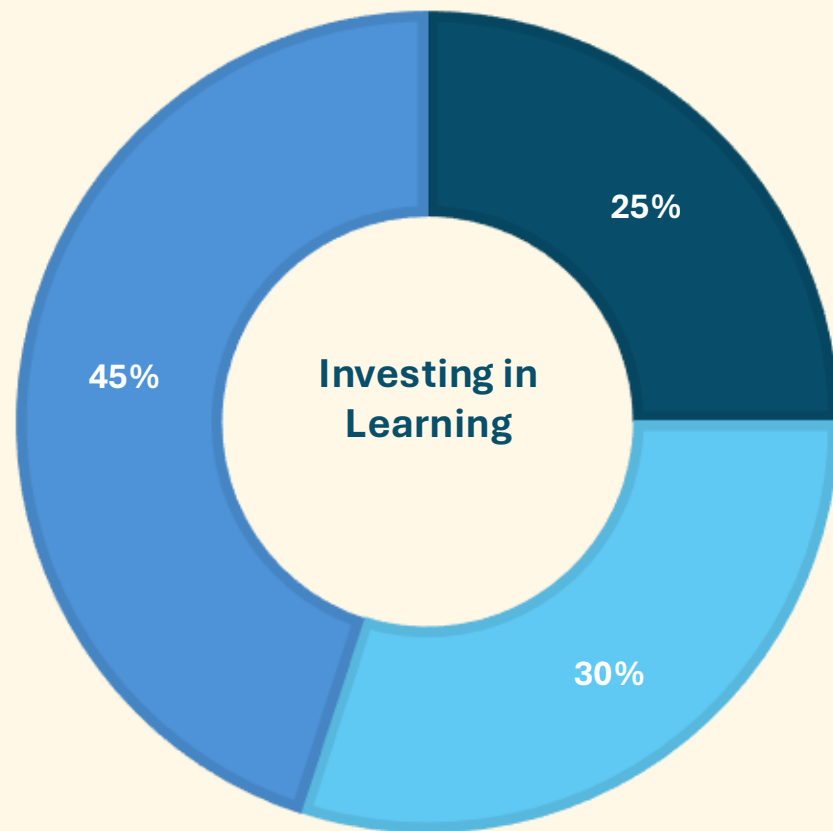
Debt-free operations help CRIA direct resources toward students, programs, and continuous improvement.

Investing Where It Matters

Students, teaching tools and learning spaces.

Annual Capital Investment Allocation

- **Technology**
- **Instructional Tools & Equipment**
- **Facilities & Learning Spaces**



INVESTING BACK IN LEARNING

Technology

Digital infrastructure, classroom technology, and instructional systems

Teaching Tools & Equipment

Science, STEM, arts, classroom resources, and specialized equipment

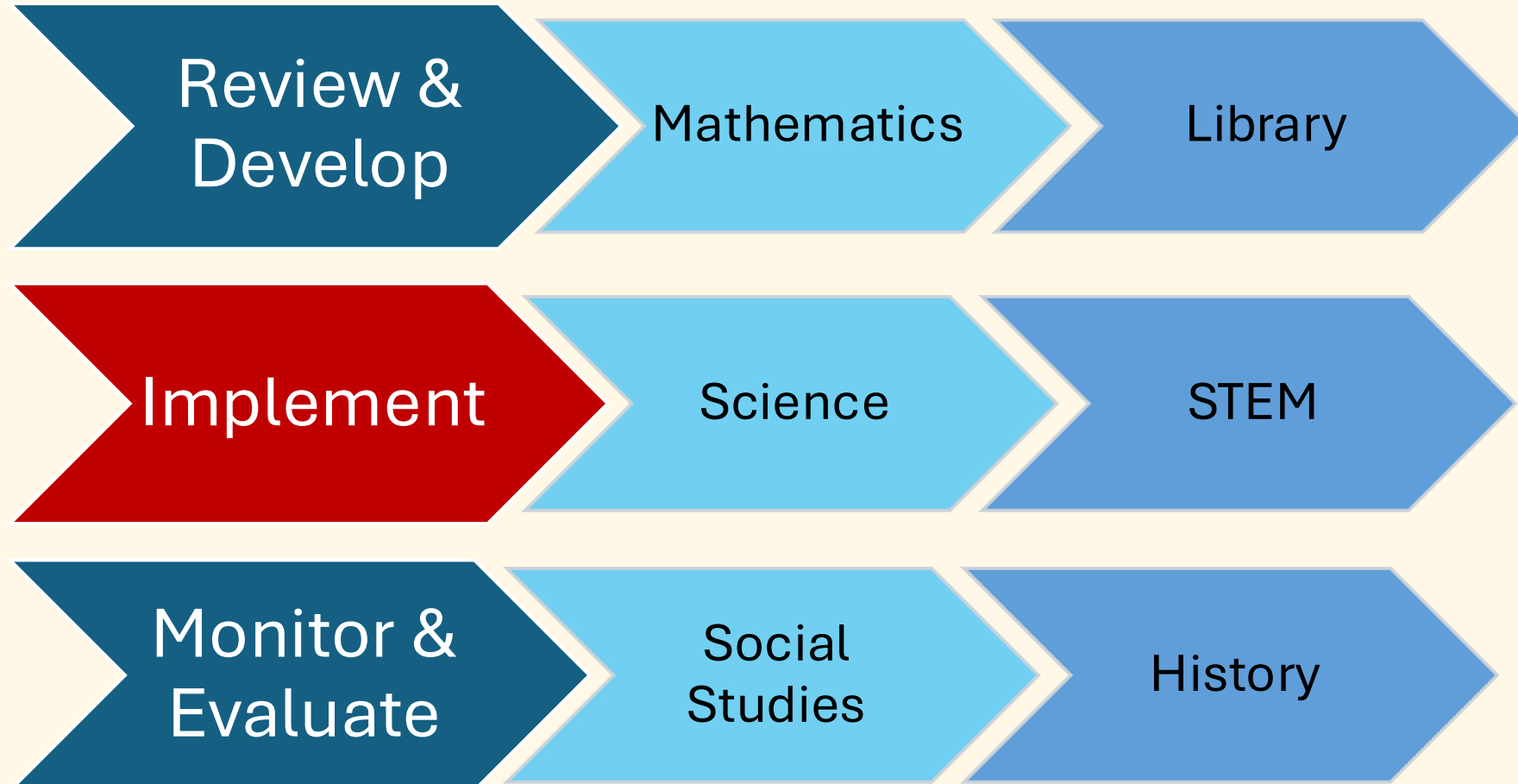
Facilities & Learning Spaces

Labs, classrooms, furnishings, campus improvements, and major upgrades

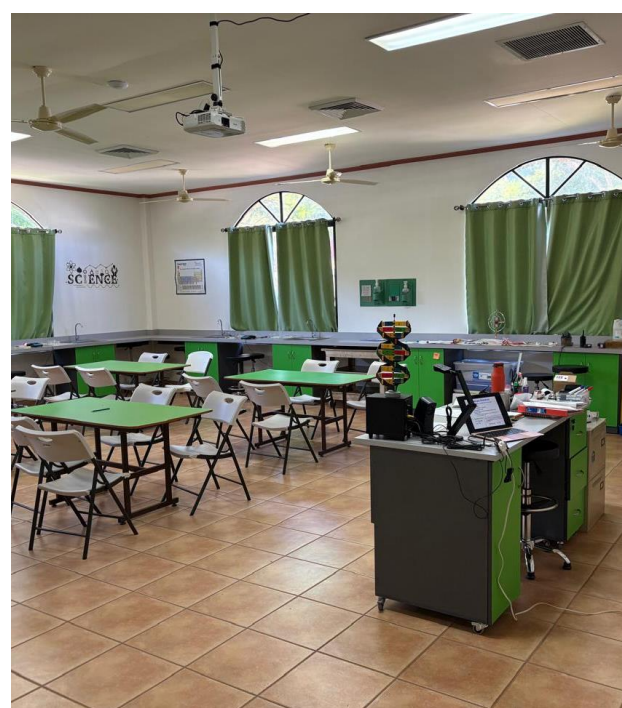
Annual capital investment keeps CRIA's learning environment current, well-equipped, and aligned with high-quality international school standards.

Curriculum Review Cycle

2026-27 Focus



2026–27 priority: implementing upgraded Science and STEM resources while developing the next Mathematics and Library cycle.



2026–27 Investment in Learning Spaces

Science, STEM, and playground upgraded this year

- STEM Lab
- Biology & Chemistry Lab
- Physics Lab
- Primary Playground (October 2026)

These investments strengthen hands-on science, applied STEM learning, and age-appropriate spaces for student development and play

Investment in Excellence

Over the past four years, CRIA has sustained investment in faculty compensation, academic resources, and facilities—strengthening the school year after year.



2022-23
~8% raise in teacher compensation

TEACHING RESOURCES
English/Language Arts

FACILITIES
3 new teaching spaces
Two upgraded playgrounds



2023-24
~4% raise in teacher compensation

TEACHING RESOURCES
Spanish & Specialist Classes

FACILITIES
3 new teaching spaces
Expanded student support & offices



2024-25
~14% raise in teacher compensation

TEACHING RESOURCES
Social Studies & History

FACILITIES
2 new teaching spaces
Gym Upgrade



2025-26
70% increase in incentive pay opportunities

TEACHING RESOURCES
Core Science & STEM

FACILITIES
Science & STEM Lab Upgrades
45 Laptops + Library Upgrade

Premium Education. Exceptional Value

College-preparatory quality at materially lower tuition than several leading San José peers.

~36% below Lincoln

~41% below Country Day

~38% below Blue Valley

Strong academic value without San José tuition levels.

2026-27 Annual Tuition (USD)*	College-Preparatory Peers						Alternative Schools	
	CRIA	Lincoln School*	Country Day School	Blue Valley School*	The British School*	Del Mar Academy	La Paz Comm School	Journey School
	Gold Coast	SJ	SJ	SJ	SJ	Nosara	Gold Coast	Gold Coast
	32 acres	17.3 acres	12.4 acres	11.5 acres	5.3 acres	11 acres	6.8 acres	NA
Pre-K	8,040	11,300	12,253	13,777	11,711	15,920	8,384	10,439
KG	8,620	13,747	15,310	17,288	11,931	15,920	10,241	10,439
Primary Gr. 1-5	10,950	16,015	20,352	18,444	13,249 13,424	15,920	10,241 10,617	10,439
Secondary Gr. 6-12**	12,950	17,527 20,155 20,554	21,723 21,931	19,822 21,911	15,811 17,047	15,920	11,700 12,170	10,439

Source: 2026–27 published tuition schedules and school materials.
* Tuition quoted in colones converted at CRC 450 = USD 1. ** Percentage comparisons based on secondary tuition rates.

Tuition Growth Has Remained Modest

~3%

Average annual tuition growth
across all grade levels



TUITION COSTS	2013-2014	2026-2027	AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE
Toddler to Pre-K	\$5,295	\$8,040	3.03%
KG	\$6,890	\$8,620	1.61%
Primary Grades 1-5	\$7,025	\$10,950	3.22%
Secondary Grades 6-12	\$8,360	\$12,950	3.18%

Tuition growth has remained measured while supporting continued investment in faculty, programs, and facilities.

SECTION 4

Proven Outcomes, Global Standards

*External exams and university placements demonstrate
CRIA's success on the world stage.*

AP Average Scores

*Excellence,
year after year.*

2026-27 AP Offerings

Humanities

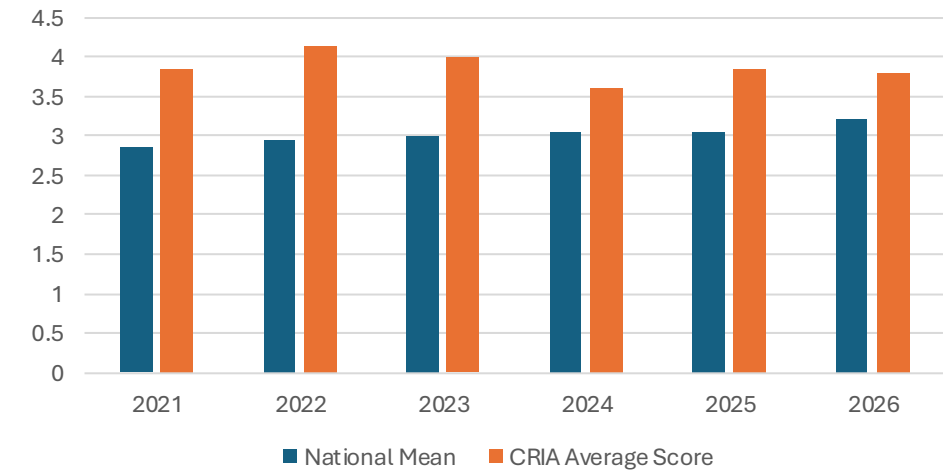
- Macroeconomics
- English Lang & Comp
- Spanish Lang & Culture
- Human Geography
- Comparative Gov & Politics
- Seminar (Eng 10)
- Research

STEM

- Physics I
- Environmental Science
- Computer Science Principles
- Calculus AB
- Pre-calculus



Sustained Excellent Results



Class of 2028 is the first class that is eligible to earn the AP Capstone Diploma from The College Board (3's in Seminar, Research and 4 additional APs).

CRIA AP Results: Outperforming Global Benchmarks

CRIA students consistently exceed worldwide AP pass rates and perform among Costa Rica's strongest results across multiple subjects.

90% overall AP pass rate

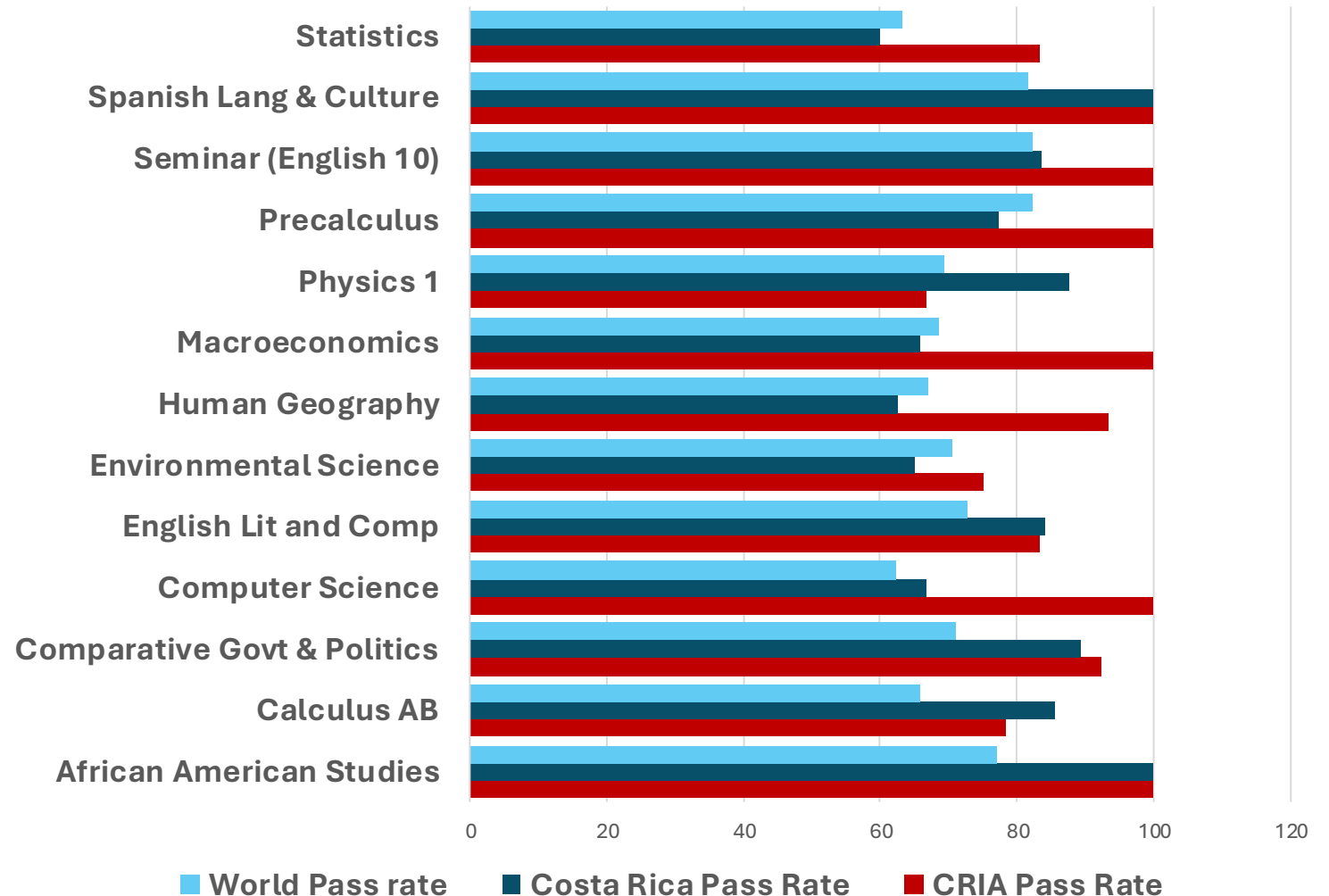
3.8 average AP score

6 of 13 courses at 100%

pass rate

CRIA students consistently outperform global AP benchmarks and compare very favorably with Costa Rica peers across a broad range of subjects.

CRIA vs. Costa Rica & Global AP Pass Rates



Matched to Excellence

CRIA graduates are accepted into top universities worldwide, finding the right fit for their academic interests and talents.

\$22,000,000 offered in scholarships to the CRIA Class of 2025.



Global Top-Tier Universities

- Brown University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Columbia University (NYC)
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Emory University
- Imperial College London (UK)
- University of Manchester (UK)
- University of Glasgow (UK)
- Leiden University (Netherlands)
- IE University (Madrid, Spain)
- McGill University (Canada)
- University of Toronto (Canada)
- University of British Columbia (Canada)
- University of Michigan
- University of Texas–Austin
- University of Washington
- University of Florida
- University of California – Berkeley, Los Angeles, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Davis, Irvine, Santa Cruz, Riverside

Top Public Universities

- Arizona State University
- Florida State University
- University of Colorado Boulder
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Kentucky
- University of Maryland
- University of North Carolina
- University of Oregon
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Utah
- Utah State University
- Virginia Tech
- University College Dublin (Ireland)
- University of Alberta (Canada)
- University of Ottawa (Canada)
- University of Montréal (Canada)
- University of Victoria (Canada)
- Western University (Canada)
- Queen's University (Canada)
- York University (Canada)
- Wilfrid Laurier University (Canada)
- University of Regina (Canada)
- University of Prince Edward Island (Canada)
- University of Greenwich (UK)
- University of Huddersfield (UK)
- Universidad Carlos III (Madrid, Spain)
- Universidad Rey Juan Carlos (Spain)
- Universidad CEU San Pablo (Spain)
- Universidad de Nebrija (Spain)
- Complutense University of Madrid (Spain)

Specialized & Liberal Arts

- Rhode Island School of Design (RISD)
- Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD)
- Culinary Institute of America (San Antonio)
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Les Roches (Switzerland)
- ESCP Business School (France)
- European Sports Business School (Spain)
- American University of Paris (France)
- Regent's University London (UK)
- Falmouth University (UK)
- Glyndŵr University (UK)
- Webster University (Netherlands)
- Breda University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands)
- Hanze University (Netherlands)
- Eckerd College
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- St. Mary's College of California
- Saint Michael's College
- Loyola University Chicago

CR Costa Rica Universities

- Universidad de Ciencias Médicas
- Universidad Latina
- Universidad Nacional
- Universidad Veritas
- Texas Tech University Costa Rica

SECTION 5

Strength in Standards, Depth in Community

Global accreditation, health and wellness, family values, and community partnerships ensure CRIA students thrive.

Self Study Process Underway

Excellence by Design



Middle States Accreditation Self-Study Cycle

Every seven years, CRIA completes a comprehensive Middle States self-study to evaluate school performance, identify priorities, and guide continuous improvement.

Our framework: Excellence by Design

Aligned with CRIA's mission as a U.S.-accredited college-preparatory school in Costa Rica.

- **All faculty and administrative staff have been participating in the self study**
- **Process lasts one year, starting from January 2026**
- **Parent, teacher and student voices data is collected every year to inform school improvement plans**
- **Re-accreditation visiting team will visit our campus in the spring of 2027.**

Building an Exemplary School Health Program

A Middle States Association Goal Achieved in 2026

CRIA's school health program includes:

- **Physical & mental health education** — PreK–Grade 10
- **Financial health** — Grade 11 literacy & certification options
- **Growth mindset** — resilience, reflection, and healthy habits
- **Safe school environment** — 45 employees CPR-certified
- **Child safety protocols** — annual staff training aligned with MEP requirements
- **Presidential Youth Fitness Program** — tests and awards
- **Family Life Education** — Virginia Standards of Learning

96% of Parents Agree

CRIA gives students the knowledge, attitudes, and habits needed for lifelong wellness and healthy living



Family Life Education

School guidelines that prepare students for healthy relationships, responsible choices, and safe futures

Family & Relationships — healthy family and caregiving relationships, marriage and partnership, family responsibilities, and dating violence prevention

Health & Safety — human reproduction, STI prevention and health effects, human trafficking prevention, mental health awareness

Decision-Making & Responsibility — postponing sexual activity, abstinence education, adoption as a positive option in an unintended pregnancy



Strong Associations, Stronger Community.

Go Pirates!

School Associations and Affiliations

Parent
Association – PA

Student
Government
Association – SGA

National Honor
Society –NHS

The College Board
– Testing Site

Dual Enrollment
Arizona State U.
Grand Canyon U.

Edgenuity
Online
Courses

The Middle States
Association–MSA

The CR Ministry of
Education – MEP



Parent Voices

*Listening
leads to
lasting
strength.*

Parent Feedback Remains Strong

85%

Satisfied or Completely Satisfied

Parent Survey, November 2025

Survey feedback continues to inform improvements in teacher compensation, classroom resources, and instructional quality.

“My kids are happy. They LOVE their teachers! We love them, too! Kids are learning, make great progress and definitely have fun in school.”

“I think overall the faculty and administration are wonderful. The new teachers for this year are a great addition. The sports program is growing and a huge positive.”

Parent feedback is helping shape CRIA’s continued improvement.

Integrity in a Digital World

Guiding Students in Responsible AI Use



Middle States Accreditation AI & Academic Integrity Focus

Students learn when AI may be used, how it should be acknowledged, and where independent thinking and original work remain essential.

AI literacy includes knowing when to use AI — and when not to.

Ethics — Use AI responsibly

Originality — Protect original student work.

Integrity — Preserve academic standards

Authorship — Credit ideas and sources

Preparation — Meet university expectations

Parent Voices

AI in Education

Parents Agree: Face-to-Face Matters Most
AI can support, but real teaching happens person-to-person.

What CRIA Parents Value Most

Parents strongly agree that face-to-face learning remains essential in K–12 education.

They see value in AI, but expect technology to support—not replace—the teacher.

71% of parents report a good understanding of AI in our recent parent survey



CRIA's approach: human relationships first, technology in support.

SECTION 6

The AI Dividend

More teacher time. More precise support.
Better student growth.

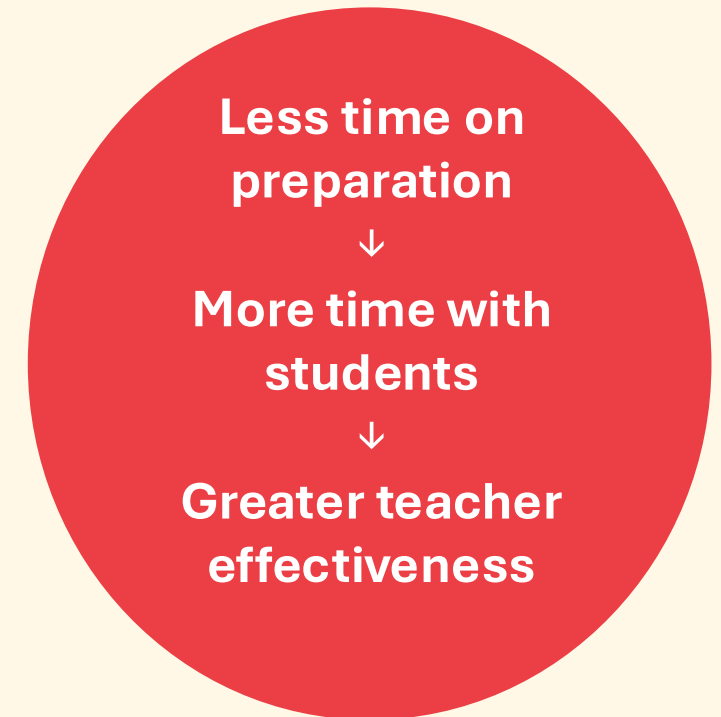
AI Teacher Productivity Boom

Turning time savings into more individual attention for students

- **Nearly 6 hours saved per week**
Teachers using AI weekly report saving nearly six hours — potentially 200+ hours across a school year
- **Faster planning and differentiation**
AI can compress time spent on lesson design, resource adaptation, and differentiated materials, allowing teachers to respond more quickly to **individual student needs**.
- **More time for high-value teaching**
The real dividend is not simply efficiency. It is the ability to redirect teacher time toward **direct instruction, feedback, intervention, mentoring, and relationship building**.

AI does not replace the teacher — it increases the impact of the teacher.

The CRIA AI Dividend



What AI Means for Students and Families

More teacher time. More precise support. Faster feedback.

- **More Time for Your Child**

AI reduces repetitive preparation and administrative work, giving teachers more time for direct instruction, feedback, intervention, and relationship building.

- **Instruction Better Matched to the Learner**

Tools such as Diffit help teachers adapt reading levels, vocabulary, questions, and supporting materials **while preserving the same academic objectives and rigor**

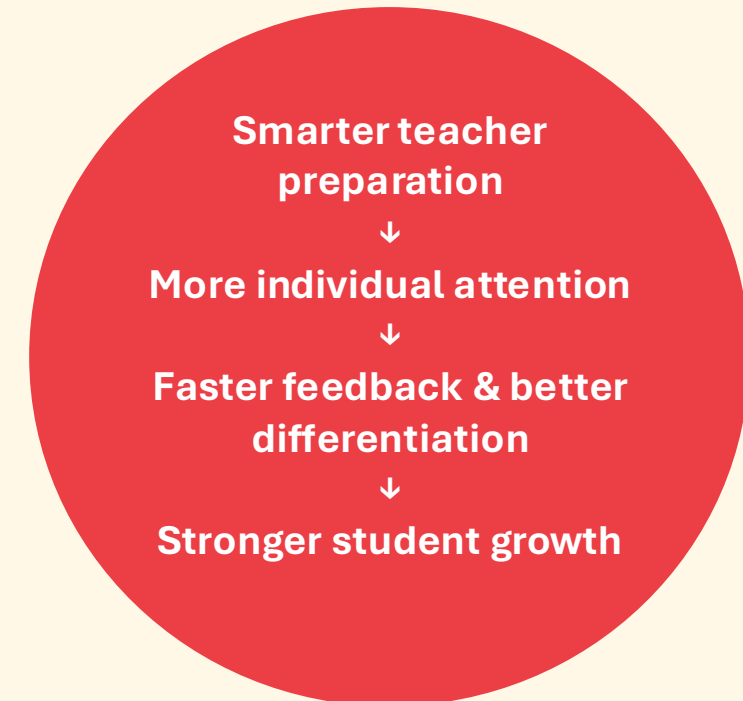
- **Faster, More Actionable Feedback**

AI-assisted tools help teachers return detailed feedback more quickly, giving students more opportunities to revise, reflect, and improve.

- **Human Judgment Remains Central**

AI supports the teacher; it does not replace the teacher. CRIA educators review and adjust AI-supported materials and feedback before they reach students.

CRIA-approved platforms are selected with student privacy, data protection, and academic integrity in mind.



SECTION 7

A World of Opportunities at CRIA

From STEM to the arts, languages to counseling, our specialized programs support every student's growth and passions.

Sports, Activities that Shape Character

Athletics, enrichment, leadership, and service beyond the classroom

Competitive Sports

- Varsity and JV opportunities in **volleyball, soccer, basketball, and swimming**
- Programs offered based on demand, participation, and available space
- School support helps offset competition and travel costs

After School Activities

- ~**35 ASAs and clubs** offered across the year
- Mix of free and fee-based opportunities
- Full-time faculty sponsor activities that extend learning beyond the classroom
- Community service required in Grades 9–12

Clubs & Enrichment

NHS • NJHS • SCUBA • Quiz Bowl • NASA App Challenge •
ECO Club • Model United Nations



Strengthening Minds, Supporting Hearts

School Counseling Program

CRIA's counseling program helps students develop the self-regulation and resilience needed for learning, relationships, and healthy development.

- Emotional self-regulation — helping students manage fear, anxiety, anger, and other strong emotions
- Individual & small-group support — targeted counseling when students need additional help
- Conflict resolution & anti-bullying support — helping students reflect, repair relationships, and make better choices
- Family partnership — parents remain the primary caregivers and are informed of serious concerns within MEP/PANI requirements
- Outside referrals when appropriate — families may be encouraged to seek additional professional support when needs persist

Healthy self-regulation supports persistence, learning, positive relationships, and resilience.



Find. Fit. Flourish.

College counseling from exploration to admission

Explore options — college fairs, career fair, and Grade 11 university visits

Build the right pathway — course rigor, academic planning, and SAT preparation

Strengthen applications — recommendations, brag sheets, and application strategy

Navigate globally — Common App, UCAS, Canada, Europe, and other pathways

Maximize opportunity — merit- and need-based scholarship and financial-aid guidance

\$22 Million

in scholarships offered to the CRIA Class of 2025

Best-fit university placement — matching students to programs aligned with their strengths, interests, and goals



Supporting Every Learner

Learning Support & English Language Learners

~15%

of students in Grades KG–8 receive ELL and/or Learning Support services.

Inclusive classroom support — students participate in the core classroom with targeted push-in and pull-out support from ELL and LSP teachers.

Individualized language and learning support — instruction is matched to identified student needs while maintaining access to the regular curriculum.

Targeted mathematics support — specialized Middle School math courses help students strengthen foundational skills and close learning gaps.

The goal is not a separate pathway, but the support each student needs to succeed within CRIA's academic program



Challenging Minds, Inspiring Futures

Advanced Learning & Special Interest Pathways

Advanced Placement — CRIA encourages every high school graduate to complete at least one AP course.

Accelerated Mathematics — Secondary math pathways allow high-ability students to progress more quickly.

University Dual Enrollment — Qualified students can earn university credit and an official transcript while still in high school.

Special Interest Electives — Accredited online courses expand options for students whose academic interests extend beyond campus offerings.

Eligibility requirements apply to advanced and university-level programs.



Language, Culture, Connection

The Spanish Program

- **Bilingual foundations** — Toddler to Grade 2, with daily Spanish integrated into the school day
- **Differentiated language pathways** — Grades 3–12 offer multiple levels for beginners through native speakers
- **Academic rigor** — Costa Rican MEP standards aligned with CRIA's U.S. program, including AP Spanish Language & Culture
- **Culture in practice** — Costa Rican Social Studies, Independence Day traditions, specialist classes in Spanish, and annual field trips
- **MEP preparation** — onsite testing and targeted preparation in Grades 6 and 11

Spanish at CRIA is both a language pathway and a connection to Costa Rican culture and community.



Inspiring Expression, Showcasing Talent

Visual and Performing Arts

- Visual and Performing Arts courses are all taught in Spanish
- Music classes Toddler to Grade 7
- Visual Arts—Toddler to Grade 10
- Visual Arts elective available for Grades 11&12
- Costa Rican Independence Day Celebration
- Holiday of the Arts Show
- Talent Show each spring
- International Day each spring
- Yearbook production—student-led club
- Various After School Activities (ASAs)
- SGA-Sponsored MS Dance



Exploring,
Designing,
Achieving.

STEM Program

- Dedicated STEM Lab and qualified teacher for Grades 2-8
- Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) are in use KG to Grade 12
- Two dedicated Science Labs for mandatory MS Science and HS courses in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology
- Robotics, 3-D printing, coding, and design tech opportunities for students passionate about STEM
- The STEM Program culminates in capstone college level courses including:
 - Physics I
 - Environmental Science
 - Computer Science
 - Calculus AB
 - Pre-calculus
 - Statistics



Beyond the Classroom

K-12 field trips & co-curricular journeys

Day Trips

- K-12 two local day field trips per year scheduled
- 1-12 Annual bonding trips by grade level

Overnight Trips

Grades 6-12

- Quiz Bowl – USA
- NASA APP Challenge – San Jose
- Grade 7 – Carolina Lodge
- Grade 11 – College Fair and Rafting Trip –San Jose
- Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer tournaments – San Jose

Grades 9-12

- MUN – New York City
- MUN – San Jose





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