

School History & Educational Goal and Policy

Gifu Prefectural Ikeda High School (hereafter referred as “Ikeda High School”) is a general course public high school founded in 1984 in Ikeda Town, Ibi County, Gifu Prefecture, to cope with an increasing ratio of students who entered high schools and a rapid increase in the number of baby boomers’ children. The school is surrounded by a beautiful natural environment filled with rivers and mountains. In 2013 Ikeda High School celebrated the 30th anniversary of its founding and it has turned out no less than 8,000 graduates, who have played active parts as leaders in all fields of society both in the local areas of Gifu Prefecture and in Japan

About 460 students enjoy lessons and club activities every day. They have achieved good results in every aspect of student life. When there was the drastic rise in the number of students, Ikeda High School had as many as eleven classes in one grade and reached the maximum of about 1,300 students in all. But with a gradual fall of the number of children in the surrounding areas and with more junior high school students hoping to enter high schools in urban areas, Ikeda High School has become a small school with four classes in each grade. However, Ikeda High School is the only high school in Ikeda Town and can most certainly be considered a school belonging to the local community. Approximately 66% of the students come from Ibi County which consists of three towns Ikeda, Ono and Ibigawa; 11% from a neighboring town, Godo Town, Anpachi County; and 20% from Ogaki City.

After graduation from Ikeda High School about 90% of students have advanced to higher education such as universities, junior colleges and professional schools and about 10% have chosen employment. Almost all of our graduates have attained their future goals.

The educational goal of Ikeda High School is “to produce physically healthy students who possess intelligence, virtue and a sense of humanity and to nurture students who devote themselves to the development of a sustainable society by getting students to lead a cheerful and orderly school life under the school life principle ‘Desire to learn, Fraternity and Practice’”.

In order to achieve this goal we carry out our educational policy as follows:

- (1) We encourage students to challenge themselves, to identify goals, and to set and execute their own action plans.
- (2) We aim for the academic progress of students through an active learning approach to make their future dreams come true.
- (3) We aim to help guide students to encompass cooperation, thoughtfulness, and appreciation of people’s support in their daily lives.
- (4) We nourish students’ sense of self-reliance and cultivate students who have admirable fortitude and physical strength.
- (5) We proceed to maintain and improve educational circumstances. We produce students who have a spirit of service and a mind to cherish nature.



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An aerial photograph of Ikeda High School from the north