



KAPLAN INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES LA WHITTIER

WHY CHOOSE TO STUDY IN OUR LA WHITTIER SCHOOL?

5 reasons to study here

- Located on the beautiful Whittier College campus
- Situated in a safe, suburban city with a cozy, small-town feel and an academic culture
- Benefit from free and full access to campus facilities, such as the fitness center, swimming pool, library, and computer lab
- Students can take part in Whittier College campus activities, clubs, and sporting competitions
- Enjoy weekend trips to San Diego, San Francisco, and Las Vegas

Location and contact information

ADDRESS: 13509 Earlham Drive, Whittier, CA 90608
 PHONE: +1 (562)-693-9023
 FAX: +1 (562)-693-9592
 EMERGENCY CONTACT: +1 (562)-693-9023
 AT THIS ADDRESS SINCE: 20+ years
 PROVIDING ENGLISH COURSES SINCE: 20+ years



School information

SCHOOL DIRECTOR: Jillian Nelson
 TOTAL NUMBER OF TEACHERS: 7-10 (Full time teachers: 0-5)
 LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY STAFF: Chinese Mandarin, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Farsi
 TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS: All teachers have a level of education normally represented by a degree and they also have a CELTA or equivalent qualification. Some also hold the higher level DELTA qualification, PGCE, or MA in applied linguistics

Accreditations and memberships



Is this school an exam center?

No, it is not an exam center.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

NUMBER OF BUILDINGS:	1
NUMBER OF FLOORS:	2
TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSROOMS:	10
SCHOOL FACILITIES:	Air conditioning, heating, Wi-Fi, computer lab/ multimedia center, library, self study center, cafeteria (hot meals available), vending machine, garden, sun terrace/ patio, swimming pool (free), sports facilities (free), gym access (free), parking facilities, prayer room, games room, student lounge/ common room
WHEELCHAIR / DISABLED ACCESS:	No
EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES:	No
OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED:	Accommodation, Airport transfer, University Placement Service, Medical Insurance
EXTRA COST OF OTHER SERVICES:	See our price list
NUMBER OF COMPUTERS AVAILABLE:	17
LEVELS OF ENGLISH OFFERED:	All levels
FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL:	Orientation starts every Monday at 08:15. This includes an all-day introduction to Kaplan, a welcome talk, placement test, tour of campus facilities, and the distribution of school timetables. On their first day, students are expected to bring their passport, I-94 (if applicable), proof of medical insurance, and address in the USA.



SAMPLE CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning

CLASS:	08:15 - 09:45
BREAK:	09:45 - 10:00
CLASS:	10:00 - 11:30

Afternoon

CLASS:	N/A
BREAK:	N/A
CLASS:	N/A

SAMPLE SPECIFIC SKILLS CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning class (Monday to Friday)

12:30 - 14:00

Afternoon class (Monday to Friday)

N/A

SCHOOL MATERIALS

MATERIALS PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS:

K+ curriculum, K +notes, K +tools, K +eXtra, Interactive whiteboards, TV in class

IS THERE A BOOK DEPOSIT?

No

IS THERE A MATERIALS FEE?

No



Courses and students

COURSES PROVIDED AT THIS SCHOOL:	General English, Semi-Intensive English, Intensive English, Academic Year, Academic Semester
SPECIAL / EXTRA COURSES PROVIDED:	
AVERAGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS:	11–15
MINIMUM AGE OF STUDENTS:	16
AVERAGE AGE OF STUDENTS:	22–25
STUDENTS PER AGE GROUP:	18-21: 50% / 22-25: 25% / 26-30: 15% / Over 30: 10%
TOP 10 STUDENT NATIONALITIES:	Chinese, Colombian, Brazilian, Korea, Japanese, Portuguese, Saudi Arabian, French, Mexican, Swedish

School location and transport

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	On-site	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	20 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	On-site	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	5 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	On-site	On-site	On-site	On-site
Time to the nearest hospital:	N/A	35 minutes	20 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	10 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A



AIRPORT TRANSPORT

CLOSEST AIRPORT: Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)

	Line or Number	Cost	Duration
Airport to city center by bus:	N/A	N/A	N/A
Airport to city center by train:	N/A	N/A	N/A
International train station to city center:	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABOUT LA WHITTIER

NAME OF LOCATION:	LA Whittier
FAMOUS LANDMARKS:	Within easy reach of downtown Los Angeles, movie theaters, uptown Whittier, and hiking trails
CUISINES WITHIN A 20-MINUTE WALK:	American, Chinese, European, French, Greek, Indian, Italian, Japanese, Mexican, Middle Eastern, Seafood, Spanish, Thai
TRANSPORT WITHIN A 10-MINUTE WALK:	Metro, buses
TOP 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE THIS CITY:	Located on the beautiful Whittier College campus, students benefit from great facilities (IT center, library, student lounge, a cafeteria), access to olympic size swimming pool and tennis courts, close to beaches, a short distance from Hollywood
WHAT MAKES THIS CITY UNIQUE?	Easy and comfortable integration with Whittier College students
ALTERNATIVE THINGS TO DO:	Take a tour of Los Angeles, spend the day at Disneyland, indulge in a bit of Hollywood fun at Universal Studios
CITY PERSONALITY:	Academic, active, bike-friendly, charming, friendly, green, hiking, laid-back, small town experience, suburban, university town, year-round sunshine

Examples of nearby cities to visit

DISNEYLAND	Travel time: 30 minutes, price of return ticket: \$40 (taxi)
DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES	Travel time: 45 minutes, price of return ticket: \$1

Regular social activities

CONVERSATION CLUB	Free
LOS ANGELES DOWNTOWN TOUR	\$2
INTRAMURAL SPORTS	Free
BBQ AT THE PARK	\$5
GAME NIGHT	Free
INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK	\$5
MUSEUM TRIP	\$5



Typical 2-week social schedule

Days	First week	Second week
MON	Free concert at Whittier College	Ballroom dancing
TUE	Game day	Movie at \$5 theatre
WED	Conversation partners	Conversation partners
THU	Artwalk with Lauren	Bowling
FRI	BBQ at the park	Farmers market
SAT	Downtown city tour	Trip to Yosemite with EA tour

Number of Social activities per week: 5-6



LIVING COST (SAMPLE PRICES FOR ITEMS IN THIS CITY)

- Bottle of water: \$1
- Meal out for two: \$30
- Local bus ticket: \$1
- Cinema ticket: \$12
- Coffee: \$2-3
- Takeaway pizza: \$15
- Local train ticket: N/A
- Can of coke: \$1
- Sandwich: \$4
- Bike rental: N/A

WHITTIER RESIDENCE - CAMPBELL HALL



ADDRESS:	13729 Earlham Drive, Whittier CA 91608
WEBSITE:	N/A
ACCOMMODATION TYPE:	Student halls, multi-person rooms, shared bathroom(s) with the halls/ hostel, female-only bathrooms, mixed female and male bathrooms, shower, communal lounge/ common area for the halls/ hostel, study area for the halls/ hostel, TV in the common area, Wi-Fi
SERVICES AVAILABLE:	Laundry (extra charge), Wi-Fi, linen and towels, toiletries provided
EXTRA COST OF SERVICES:	Laundry: \$4 wash and dry
BEDROOM:	Wardrobe/ closet, desk, chair
KITCHEN:	Microwave, fridge, freezer, washing machine, tumble dryer, vacuum cleaner
FACILITIES:	Gym, sports center, swimming pool, canteen/ cafeteria / restaurant, vending / snack machine, outdoor space, picnic area, coin-operated laundry facilities, bike rack
EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES:	Laundry: \$4 wash and dry
FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY:	Beaches, theme parks, shopping centers
VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED?	Yes
NOISE RESTRICTIONS?	Yes (From 22:00 weekdays and 23:59 weekends)
SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE?	No
24-HOUR SECURITY?	Yes
ROOM CLEANING:	Cleaned on arrival, students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms
LINEN CHANGING:	Linen cleaned on arrival, students are responsible for washing their own linen
AVAILABILITY:	Year-round, except summer
MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS?	One week
CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES:	Check-in: Saturday 08:00 - 24:00 / Check-out: 12:00 (alternate check-in days may be arranged based on special circumstances)
ROOM DEPOSIT?	Yes; Price: \$150

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school (LA Whittier):	2 minutes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	On-site	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	20 minutes	10 minutes	5 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	On-site	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	15 minutes	10 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	On-site	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	N/A	30 minutes	20 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	10 minutes	5 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the main airport:	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

HOST FAMILY INFORMATION



THINGS STUDENTS NEED TO BRING:

SERVICES INCLUDED:

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES:

MEALS PROVIDED:

Toiletries, personal items to make their room feel like home, prescription medication, phone card

Bed linen, towels, laundry once a week (free of charge), telephone use for emergencies

No

Yes (depends on booking type)

- **BREAKFAST:** Breakfast is usually a light meal consisting of cereal, fruit, toast, juice, or coffee. Hosts will usually ask you to prepare your own breakfast.
- **LUNCH:** You will be responsible for buying your own lunch at school, from a local restaurant, or the local shops.
- **DINNER:** You will usually eat dinner with your host, or occasionally you may prepare your own meal with food supplied by your host.

WILL THE HOMESTAY ARRANGE TO PICK UP THE STUDENT FROM THE AIRPORT?

TRANSPORT TO SCHOOL:

WHERE ARE THE HOST FAMILIES LOCATED?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

No

Your host will help you plan your way to and from school on your first day and explain how to use public transport.

All in Whittier City

Homestays are generally 15–35 minutes of commute time to the school