



“Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy.”
Psalm 126:5

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A Visit to Okinawa Shogaku Junior & Senior High School

To advance the development of the international education and the Tourism & Hospitality Management in St. Francis Xavier High School (FXSH), Principal Chang paid a visit to Okinawa Shogaku Junior & Senior High School (Okisho) with the staff and students from the Department of Leisure and Recreation Management of Asia University of Taiwan on 16 May, 2013. Okisho, a famous private school in Japan, lying close to Okinawa University to which it was affiliated in origin, has approximately 2800 students.



Okisho, in addition to the academic achievements, puts stress on the physical education in particular. It was once awarded the first prize in baseball and judo in the high school championship across Japan. There in the school archive room are placed a number of invaluable medals and awards. President 名城政次郎 said to

the quests, “ In order to impress the foreign students with Japanese cultures in the global exchange, our students have to take the course of judo as a traditional feature.” As a memorable gift, principal Chang was presented then with an autographed baseball.



Principal 名城政一郎 briefed the quests: “Apart from reinforcing the knowledge and physical fitness, to improve the ability of communication, and to broaden the global vision are two important aspects in our school education. So ten years ago, we signed an agreement about the cooperation in teaching with two American universities in Minnesota. Since then, they sent the graduates of Education majors to teach English here every year.”



Moreover, to quicken internationalization, Principal 名城政一郎 said, “We established the International Department in charge of the study tour abroad and international cooperative

projects. Lately we have built a global dormitory for the international students to enhance the language study and intercultural exchanges.”

“English is indispensable, and the command of a second foreign language is undoubtedly an advantage. So we are decidedly plunging into the course of action of international exchange,” Principal Chang said, “and we have launched the courses of a second foreign



language such as German, French, and Japanese as optional courses for our students. We have been encouraging them to study abroad, and we hope they can come to Okisho to study about Japanese language and cultures some day.”



Global dormitory for the international students



Dorm Room



Okisho's educational philosophy



Principal Chang having a picture taken with Okisho's Chairman 名城政次郎 and Principal 名城政一郎



Fine Arts Classroom



Okisho promotes the certification English exams