

A group of students is sitting on a grassy area in front of a building. In the foreground, several students are sitting on the grass, some with bags that have the OSYK logo and text. The background shows more students walking around. The text 'Oulun Suomalainen Yhteiskoulun lukio' and 'Upper Secondary School' is overlaid in white, bold font. The acronym 'OSYK' is also overlaid in white, bold font.

Oulun Suomalainen Yhteiskoulun lukio Upper Secondary School

OSYK



Programme

- Klo 9.15- 9.30 Welcome and introduction
 - Klo 9.30 -10.15 STEAM in OSYK: facts and examples
 - Klo 10.15 -11.00 A tour of the school in small groups, STEAM Week game
 - Klo 11.00-11.30 Discussion and Questions
 - Klo 11.30 -12.00 Lunch, school cafeteria
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General Information

- Established in 1902
- A popular and respected upper secondary school with emphasis on comprehensive arts education
- Values: Holistic education, responsibility, inclusiveness, creativity
- Part of the Unesco Associated Schools Network
- About 640 students (ages 16-19) and 41 teachers, 3 guidance counselors, special education teacher
- student welfare services



History of OSYK

- Founded by Mauno Rosendal and Nanny Lilius
- Education was largely offered in Swedish in the beginning of the 20th century, a period of national awakening in Finland.
- Strong demand for a Finnish-language school that reflects the values of Finnish identity
- Co-educational school where both boys and girls were educated together, reflecting ideals of equality and inclusion

Studying at Our Upper Secondary School

- Teaching is based on the national core curriculum: mandatory courses, optional courses (150 learning points)
- School curriculum: wide range of optional courses
- Students can choose their own learning paths
- Strong focus on international co-operation
- Collaboration with Germany, Estonia, The United States, Sweden and The Netherlands
- Every year the students achieve good results in the matriculation examination and pursue a variety of fields

Theatre Studies and Visual Arts

- One of Finland's few upper secondary schools specializing in theatre studies and visual arts.
- Opportunities to act, direct, and work with stage production
- Annual performances and projects such as the musical project in collaboration with visual arts, music and dance courses.



Interdisciplinary collaboration and diplomas

- English can be studied as English Language and Literature courses, in which the language is learned more in a way that is similar to a first language. Collaboration with the Finnish Language and Literature subject
- In addition to English, OSYK offers multiple language courses in Swedish, German, Spanish, Russian and French



Interdisciplinary collaboration and diplomas

- The opportunity to complete the national upper secondary school diploma in theatre studies, visual arts, music, dance and physical education. Additionally OSYK German students can complete the Deutsches Sprachdiplom – diploma.
- Collaboration with the Oulu City Theatre
- Interdisciplinary collaboration between many other subjects





STEAM

- Interdisciplinary approach combining Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics
- Hands-on projects and collaboration across subjects
- Encourages creativity, problem-solving, and innovation



Well-being and community spirit

- Emphasis on student well-being and support
- Courses and activities promoting balance and mental health
- A caring and inclusive school environment

“Take Care” Course

- A special course called Pidä huolta (“Take care”)
- Focus on community, empathy, and social responsibility
- Strengthens school well-being and cooperation

The Wool Sock Tradition

- Unique “OSYK wool sock” symbol of community spirit
- Students or teachers design and knit new patterns every year
- Connects heritage, creativity, and school identity

Visible OSYK

- The school online magazine Pyramentti offers a wide range of news about the school and its activities
- OSYK has a strong presence on social media (Facebook and Instagram @osykinsta) and has its own podcast in Soundcloud



tour

- **group 1(Miina):**
 - art classroom>basement(steam)>dance hall>-music classroom>assembly hall>drama hall
- **group 2(Tiitti):**
 - assembly hall>drama hall> art classroom-basement(steam)>dance hall>music classroom
- **group 3(Maria):**
 - basement(steam)>dance hall>music classroom> drama hall>assembly hall> art classroom

