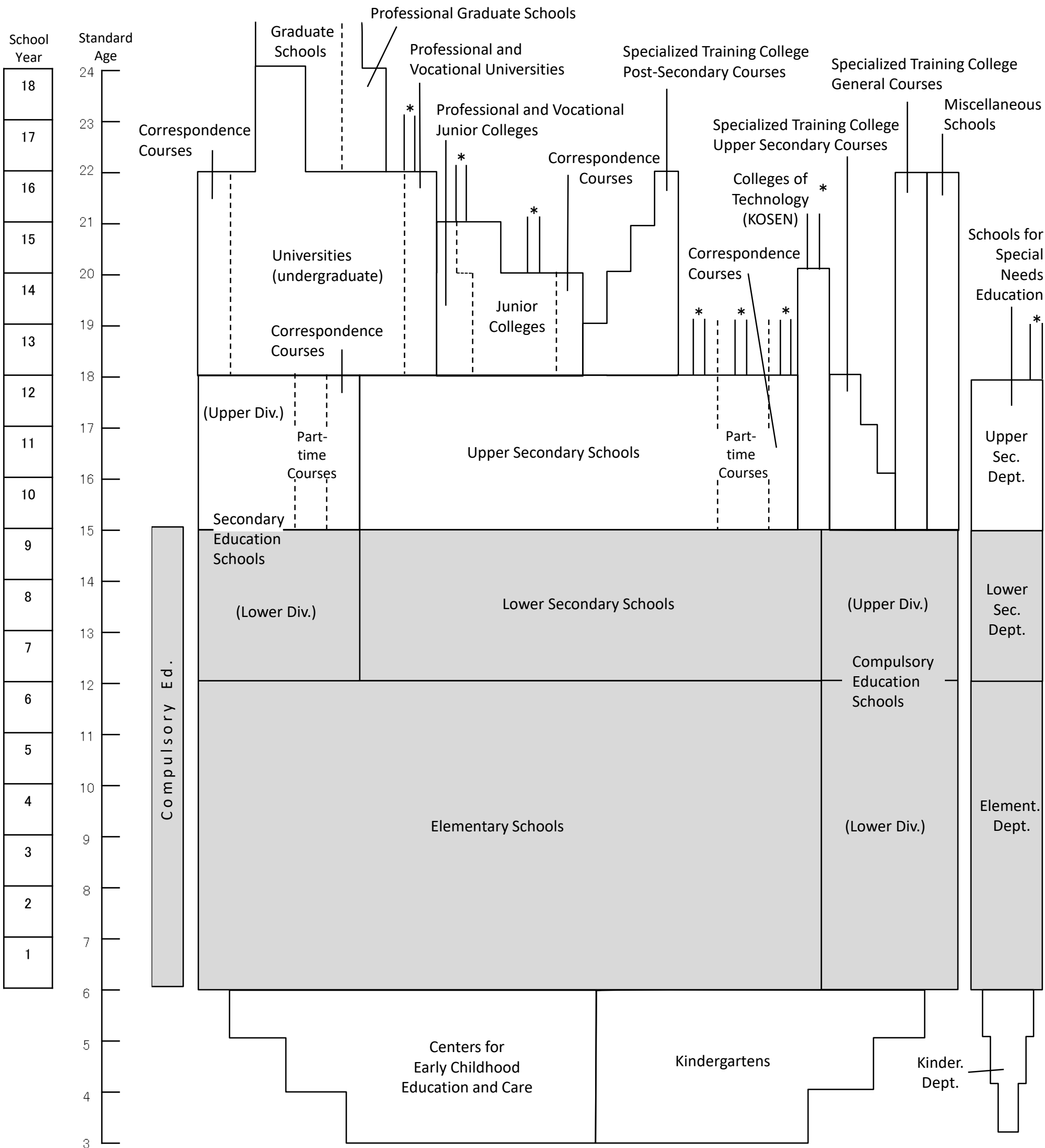


# Organization of the School System in Japan



**(Notes)**

- (1) This diagram shows schools regulated by the School Education Act.
- (2) The scope of 'higher education institutions' subject to the UNESCO 'Asia-Pacific Regional Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications in Higher Education' includes some educational institutions operated by government ministries and agencies (National College of Nursing, Japan; Polytechnic University; and National Fisheries University), in addition to the above.
- (3) \* indicates advanced courses
- (4) Upper secondary schools, upper division of Secondary Education Schools, universities, junior colleges, and upper secondary department of Schools for Special Needs Education can have separate courses with course terms of 1 year or more.
- (5) A child aged from 0 to 2 years old can attend Centers for Early Childhood Education and Care because it functions as school as well as child welfare institution.
- (6) Age and admission requirements for Specialized Training College General Courses and Miscellaneous Schools are not defined uniformly.