

### Welcome to our INFO EVENT!

Herzlich willkommen!



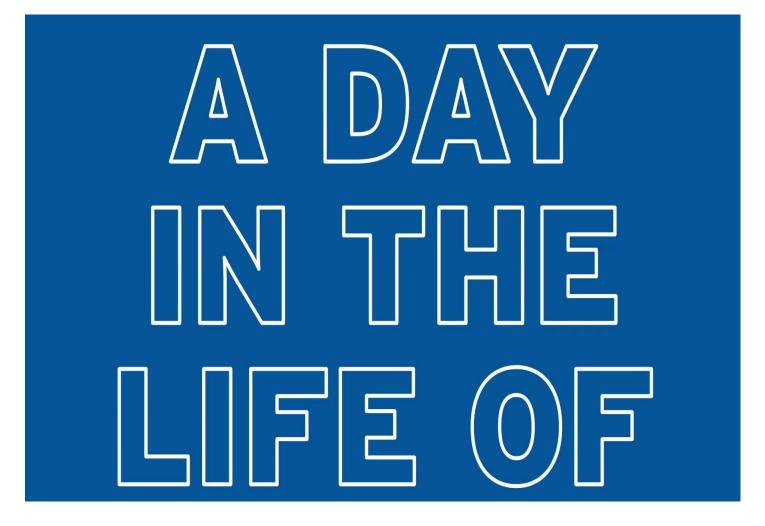
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World Citizens Made in Dresden



DIS Vision & Mission Facts & Characteristics of DIS Grade 5 Secondary School Admissions Process Q & A

### A Day In The Life Of A Secondary School Student







### **DIS Mission**

**Our Mission Statement** 

We are a diverse community that empowers innovative and collaborative learning. As learners, we are prepared to be multifaceted, self-sufficient individuals who contribute to society.

#### **Our Vision**

Inspire. Move forward. Give back.

#### **Our Values**

Commitment \* Open-Mindedness \* Compassion \* Integrity



### Facts about DIS

**500 Students from 55 Nationalities** 

- All-day programme for K-12 including Preschool
- IB World School International Baccalaureate (IB)
- English as language of instruction, colloquial language
- Small classes, max. 22 students
- No cancelled classes
- Many co-curricular activities
- Special support teachers, counsellors and career counselling
- Qualifications are recognized worldwide, also in Germany
- School caterer: Gourmetta





### What sets DIS apart?

All-day programme for Grades 1 to 12 with English as language of instruction

- Responsible and open-minded students
- Enjoy learning > see learning as a lifelong process
- Individual support of the students in learning and language acquisition
- Focus on creative and critical thinking, problem solving and the ability to communicate competently with others
- Teach students to think and act in international contexts
- Knowledge and social skills that help students make progress in a globalized and constantly changing society
- Ideal learning environment



### International Baccalaureate (IB)

**Over 50 Years of IB education worldwide** 



- Three interrelated IB programmes that promote international thinking and tolerance:
  - Primary Years Programme (PYP) = Grades 1-5
  - Middle Years Programme (MYP) = Grades 6-10
  - Diploma Programme (DP) = Grades 11 & 12
- Holistically oriented education with a focus on creative and critical thinking, problem solving and the ability to communicate competently with others
- Interdisciplinary, i.e. the topics taught are interdisciplinary
- Promotes responsible action in dealing with other cultures and traditions
- Strengthens the initiative of each individual student



### **Our School Campus**

Annenstr. 9 (in the heart of Dresden's Old town)



#### **New Building**

#### **Classic Building**

- Administration

- Classrooms for Grades 1-5 Classrooms for Grades 6-12
- Special subject classes for only
  - Grade 6-12
- Libraries
- Cafeteria



Sports Hall

For all grades



MOVE FORWARD.

### **Our Facilities**



Grade 5 (Primary School)

### Grade 5











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GIVE BACK.

### Grade 5

Last year in the primary school



- School times: 8:20 14:30 / 15:15
- Subjects: Units of Inquiry \* English \* Mathematics \* German \* Physical Health Education \* Music \* Performing Arts \* Visual Arts
- Culminating PYP project in Gr. 5: "PYP Exhibition"
- Five German classes per week
- English support where needed
- Swimming (up to Grade 5)
- No marks, continuous assessment (report cards x 2); Student-Parent-Teacher- Conferences
- Highly-qualified faculty (includes language and learning support, school counsellor)
- Morning Care from 7:00 on / After School Care until 18:00
- Ideal preparation for entering the MYP in Grade 6



Secondary School Grade 6-12

### **Secondary School**











### Secondary School Overview

Grades 6-12

- School times: 8:30-14:45/15:45
- "Bring Your Own Device"
- Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences and continuous assessment with marks from 1-7
- Student support programme including: counsellor, learning specialist team, careers counselling
- Various co-curricular for all grade levels
- Focus on various trips such as some field trips
- Regular communication with parents through Managebac



### **Secondary School**

Grades 6-12

- Holistic education: academic, social and personal
- Assessment throughout is criterion referenced and feedback is offered on an ongoing basis
- Can respond to students' individual needs because of small classes, support from guidance teacher, school counsellor and special needs teacher
- All care is taken to ensure that student study choices allow them to fulfill the requirements of the *Realschulabschluss* and the *Abitur* if needed.





Middle Years Programme Grade 6-10

### IB Middle Years Programme (MYP)

Taught in Grades 6 to 10



A curriculum that encourages young people to connect academic learning with the world around them. Content and skills are explicitly taught as well as the conceptual basis underpinning all learning. This allows young people to understand the 'why' as well as the 'what' of their learning.

It is a tailored programme for social and emotional well-being and approaches to learning.





### MYP: Future-oriented learning



### 21st century learning

#### Competencies

- Critical thinking/Problem solving
- Communication
- Collaboration
- Creativity

#### **Character Qualities**

- Initiative
- Perseverance
- Adaptability
- Curiosity
- Leadership
- Social and cultural awareness

World Economic Forum, 2020



### Subjects Grades 6-10

- Mathematics
- English
- German A or German B
- Spanish
- Design & Technology
- Science
- Individuals & Societies (humanities)
- Visual Arts
- Performing Arts
- Music
- Physical Health Education





### Language Support



Middle Years Programme

- English as Additional Language is available for beginners and extra support is provided for learners who need help with academic English.
- Student Learning Support team provides specialist help for a range of student needs.
- German and English is offered at home language level, or as an additional language depending on students' level of experience.
- German speakers are encouraged to study German at a high level and to continue to use their German at home, as it is through mother tongue that high level conceptual thinking can take place.
- Unless students are in the learning support classes or in the EAL classes, they will learn a third language, which is Spanish.
- We support students in learning their home languages.



### Special Aspects - Grades 6-10

Grades 6-10



- Service as Action and Personal Project are an essential part of the MYP
- We have a range of trips on offer. Trips tend to be local and we also offer some residential field trips. Our trips can include:
  - day trips to museums, theaters and sporting events across the country
  - residential trips to Krakow, North Sea, Berlin
  - outdoors trips to foster teamwork and collaboration



### Service as Action - Grades 6-10

Students engage in **service** learning in order to

- develop their own strengths and develop their areas for growth
- undertake challenges that help them develop new skills
- discuss, evaluate and plan student-initiated activities
- persevere in action
- work **collaboratively** with others
- develop **international-mindedness** through global engagement, multilingualism and **intercultural understanding**
- consider the ethical implications of their actions

All of these learning outcomes are closely associated with IB learner profile attributes and Approaches To Learning skills. Through their participation in service, students can become more confident, independent, self-regulated learners.



Examples of service as action engagements:

- Writing original picture books to teach a lesson
- (Re)designing a community website
- Organize an activity to raise awareness for Earth Day or Neurodiversity Week
- Campaign for more bike lanes in your town
- Raise awareness and share knowledge about internet safety
- Perform a concert or play at a senior center
- Organize a reading hour for children at a local school or library



### Personal Project - Grade 10 only



- Culminating project for MYP
- Students follow an area of particular interest
- Individual supervisors
- Product, a portfolio of learning experiences and a report

Students demonstrate independence, organisation skills, capacity for sustaining long-term projects, capacity for reflection.

#### **Examples of Personal Projects**

- Writing a book
- Designing and making jewelry
- Forming a debating club
- Building an instrument from scratch
- Creating software programs
- Remodeling using eco-friendly material



### Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

from Grade 6



Students in Grade 5 often use DIS technology (Ipads and Chromebooks) so the transition to using technology from Grade 6 is much more natural.

#### **BYOD Device Specifications:**

We recommend the use of Chromebooks in the school from Grade 6. Any Chromebook less than three years old is suitable. We will also be able to support Windows 10 and MacOSX Mojave and higher.



### How do students use technology?

Writing and using hands and voices to learn is still really important!

#### Laptops and internet allow students access to:

- Different learning tools, such as voice to text and subtitles
- Quick access to (high quality) research and information
- Communication tools and skills they will need for their adult lives
- Regularly updated textbooks and materials
- The world around them through images, film, sound and text.



#### Google Classroom





It allows teachers to monitor learning and give feedback to students with ease, using ManageBac, Google Classroom and Google Docs.



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### **Co-Curricular Programme**

**Grade 6-12** 

We offer a wide variety of co-curricular activities

#### Examples:

- Different sports (e.g. Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, Track and Field)
- Debating Society
- Coding Club
- Cooking Club
- Events Club
- Yearbook Club
- Model United Nations







Diploma Programme Grade 11-12

Diploma Programme

### IB Diploma Programme (DP) Grades 11 and 12



- Students have the opportunity to undertake either the full IB
  Diploma Programme or a modified version which leads to the
  High School Diploma
- Students select one subject from each group, choosing three at higher level and three at standard level.
- Additionally:
  - Extended Essay
  - Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS Programme)
  - Theory of Knowledge (a course in critical thinking)
- Programme can be modified depending on student's academic needs and future study pathways.



### Qualifications

Recognised worldwide (including Germany)

#### **IB** Diploma

- Obtained at the end of Grade 12
- Recognized as Abitur. However, a certain combination of subjects is a prerequisite

#### **DIS High School Diploma**

- Grade 12 (entitles you to study in the USA and some European universities)
- Recognised as *Realschulabschluss*

#### **MYP** Certificate

- Obtained at the end of Grade 10
- Recognised as *Realschulabschluss*



### **Results IB Exams**

Class of 2023 > 27 IB Candidates (28 Graduates)

DIS Success Rate = 89 % worldwide success rate = 79 %

DIS Average Points = 31 (max. 45) worldwide average = 30

Highest Points Achieved: 41 von 45 (= 1.1 Abitur)

DIS Bilingual Diploma = 67 % worldwide average = 23 %



#### Our Alumni attend universities around the world:

Stanford University (USA) Oxford University (UK) LMU München (DE) University Rotterdam (NL) Universität Edinburgh (UK) Sorbonne Paris (FR) Imperial College London (UK) University Tokyo (JP) St. Andrews University (UK) Columbia University (USA) Universität Wien (AU) TU Dresden (DE)



## **Admissions Process**

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Schedule a conversation and a school tour with our Admissions Coordinator to get to know the school and our programmes!

- 1) Submit the required documents (incl. photo, report cards, other documents)
- 2) Document review and forwarding to relevant school section
- 3) Interview with School Principal (Primary or Secondary School)
- 4) Admissions tests according to age/grade
  - Preschool Grade 5: cognitive, academic tests
- Grades 6 12: German, Maths, English (where applicable, advanced English test WIDA)
- 5) Decision is made within two weeks after the interview
- 6) Sign contract Welcome at DIS!



### **School Fees**

#### Dependent on grade level

**Registration fee** annually for the first three years at DIS **1.600,00 €** 

	School fee (pro Schuljahr)	Sponsoring Fee (school year)	Total School Year
Grade 5 (Primary School)	1.440,00 €	12.020,00€	13.460,00 €
Grade 6 to 10	1.440,00 €	13.125,00 €	14.565,00 €
Grade 11 and 12	1.440,00 €	14.255,00 €	15.695,00 €



### **Example School Fees**

Dependant on grade level

#### **Example calculations for Grade 6**

School fee = 1.440,00 euro

Sponsoring fee = 13.125,00 euros *Fee reduction is possible* 

Registration fee = 1.600,00 euros\* *Fee reduction is possible* \*only for the first three years

#### Total = 16.165,00 euros

#### **Fee Reduction**

School provides financial aid for families who apply. Fee reduction is calculated individually based on household income.



### More opportunities to get to know DIS

Online and on site

Online Info Event for Grade 1-5

14 March 2024, 18:30

#### Grade 12 Art Exhibition Finissage

22 March 2024, 18:00 - 20:00 Bürokomplex Zellescher Weg 2 (TU Dresden)

Preschool Open House (1-5-year-olds) 13 April 2024, 10:00 - 12:00 (Goetheallee 18)





# Please ask your questions in the chat or raise your hand.

You are welcome to make an individual appointment!



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