

Education Guide Hong Kong 2013 - 2014

A comprehensive guide to
International Schools in Hong Kong



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Introduction

More than 20% of Hong Kong's government spending is dedicated to education. It is therefore of little surprise that Hong Kong has developed an excellent education system, serving local and expat students alike, in addition to running a group of world class universities.

The academic year in Hong Kong begins in the fall and ends in the early summer, with the exception of the Australian International School year which starts in January and ends in December. During major holidays such as Christmas, Easter and Chinese New Year, schools are closed. The academic year is divided into terms or semesters, depending on the school.

Over the past few years, there has been a lot of focus on the IB Diploma Program, as a possible alternative to A-Levels.

With the IB Diploma students select options (specializing in three) from six required subject groups: first and

second languages, humanities, sciences, maths and the arts. A-Levels, on the other hand, do not call for students to follow a complete program of study and is designed as a 'set of single subject examinations' which can be taken in combination with any other subjects or with none. The great value of A-levels is that they allow students with clear goals to specialize at an early enough stage to give themselves a chance of attending the degree of their choice at a good university. Another key benefit of A-Levels is that it is a well-established and respected qualification that is mostly used by UK universities as part of their offer of admission. The IB Diploma is also respected as a qualification that students can use to apply to all British universities, as well as those in Europe, America and around the world.

The core value in IB lies in that it is a more broad-based education system, where students learn a greater variety of subjects, which might make it more appealing to certain university systems.

School options

The education system in Hong Kong offers parents a choice of four alternatives:

First are local schools. Such a move should be done as early as possible to minimise the stress on the child. The multilingual capabilities that the child will develop are of enormous benefit. This option is available to parents who hold a valid visa and a Hong Kong Identity card (HKID).

Second is the international school system. This stream is currently the most popular for expatriate families, in particular because it offers an education which is fluid and can cope with different international moves. However, many of these schools have long waiting lists and most require a debenture of some nature. This debenture can either be a corporate or individual family debenture.

Alternatively, some schools ask for an annual capital contribution instead.

Third there is the option of the English Schools Foundation (ESF) system. This system adheres to the British curriculum and tends to be a little less expensive than the international schools. However the academic standard is still deemed to be high, and the culture very similar to the international schools.

Last, but not least, there are Boarding Schools. This can be either in Hong Kong or other Asian countries such as Thailand. This is becoming an increasingly popular choice as it offers parents convenience and close access to their children.

School grades and year level equivalents

Academic Year 2014/15

Year of Birth	Age of Child	UK System	School Level	US System	School Level	IB System	School Level	HK System
2009	4-5 years	Reception	Primary	Pre-Kindergarten(R1)	Lower Primary	Reception	PYP	Kindergarten 2
2008	5-6 years	P 1	Primary	Kindergarten(R2)	Lower Primary	Year 1	PYP	Kindergarten 3
2007	6-7 years	P 2	Primary	1st Grade	Lower Primary	Year 2	PYP	P 1
2006	7-8 years	P 3	Primary	2nd Grade	Lower Primary	Year 3	PYP	P 2
2005	8-9 years	P 4	Primary	3rd Grade	Upper Primary	Year 4	PYP	P 3
2004	9-10 years	P 5	Primary	4th Grade	Upper Primary	Year 5	PYP	P 4
2003	10-11 years	P 6	Primary	5th Grade	Upper Primary	Year 6	PYP	P 5
2002	11-12 years	F 1	Secondary	6th Grade	Middle School	Year 7	MYP	P 6
2001	12-13 years	F 2	Secondary	7th Grade	Middle School	Year 8	MYP	F 1
2000	13-14 years	F 3	Secondary	8th Grade	Middle School	Year 9	MYP	F 2
1999	14-15 years	F 4 (IGCSE)	Secondary	9th Grade	High School	Year 10	MYP	F 3/F 4
1998	15-16 years	F 5 (IGCSE)	Secondary	10th Grade	High School	Year 11	MYP	F 4/F 5
1997	16-17 years	F 6	Secondary	11th Grade	High School	Year 12	IB DIPLOMA	F 6
1996	17-18 years	F 7	Secondary	12th Grade	High School	Year 13	IB DIPLOMA	F 7

Challenges

Often parents new to Hong Kong are not informed ahead of the importance of submitting school applications according to the set deadlines. The required norm for most schools is to submit the application one year prior to admission. Children may arrive in the middle of their schooling and need to be admitted to the middle years of a primary or secondary school, rather than starting at the beginning. If there are no immediate places available, the child will need to be placed on a waiting list and may not get a space immediately. Some schools will have a waiting list and if a vacancy becomes available, will contact the person at the top of the list. Many times the children on top of the list have found places at other schools and do not want to move. This can free up places for relocating parents who need a place urgently.

However, most schools do not keep the waiting list after the September term has started, although in some cases schools hold a 'continuing interest' list, which can be useful.

The popularity of the international schools in Hong Kong, combined with the fact that they are usually oversubscribed, presents a problem. Due to this, school choices are restricted, leading to unnecessary stress for both parents and children. This is not ideal especially when you are also dealing with the trauma of moving to a new city. Long-term residents of Hong Kong usually pick the ideal primary school for their children at the early age of 2. For newly arrived parents, this can be very daunting and thus the choice needs to be made instantly and a school search needs to be done well in advance if possible. However, choosing the right school is only the beginning of the process.

Home schooling and English as a Second Language (ESL)

Hong Kong's Education Ordinance requires school attendance. Families who wish to home-school must apply to the Education Bureau for an exemption which is generally approved case-by-case.

Home schooling

Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA)

Website: www.hslda.org/hs/international/HongKong

A meet up group for home schooling families in Hong Kong which hosts regular meetings for fun, learning and support.

The Hong Kong Home School Meet up Group

Website: www.meetup.com/hongkong-homeschool

English as a Second Language (ESL)

There are a number of schools that provide English as a Second Language programs to students whose first language is not English. For example, Delia School of Canada, The Harbour School, Hong Lok Yuen International School and the Korean International School all provide extensive ESL support to students, either within the classroom, or on a one-to-one basis depending on their level of English.



Special needs

Many international schools have selective admission policies for children with special needs. Most schools provide supplemental services for students with mild special learning needs. Students with special needs are admitted when their individual needs can be met through the amount and particular type of support that each school provides.

Several organisations have been set up for children and young adults in Hong Kong with varied special needs. Over the years, these have been set up by expats who discovered there was nowhere for them to find support and education for their children. Below are several Special Educational Needs establishments.

Watchdog Early Education Centre (Hong Kong Centre)

G/F East Wing, 12 Borrett Road
Midlevels, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2521 7364
Email: info@watchdog.org.hk
Website: www.watchdog.org.hk

The Autism Partnership Foundation

7/F, 633 King's Road,
Island East, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2526 3812
Email: info@autismpartnershiphk.com
Website: www.autismpartnership.com.hk

The Rainbow Project Learning Centre

G/F, Yuet Fai Court, 10 Sai Yuen Lane
Sai Ying Pun, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2573 0114
Email: rainbow@rainbowproject.org
Website: www.rainbowproject.org

The Springboard Project

Springboard Centre, 2F, Block A
122 Pok Fu Lam Road, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2813 4508
Email: info@springboardhk.org
Website: www.springboardhk.org

The ESF is also committed to providing Special Educational Needs classes in all of their schools, and operates its own school, Jockey Club Sarah Roe School in Kowloon, which offers 60 places for children aged five to nineteen with the most severe learning difficulties.

Jockey Club Sarah Roe School

2B Tin Kwong Road
Homantin, Kowloon
Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2761 9893
Email: info@jcsrs.esf.edu.hk
Website: www.jcsrs.edu.hk



Typical school holidays

A typical school term normally starts in the beginning of August or September and ends in June or July. The four main holidays throughout the year are as follows:

The exception is the Australian International School which follows the southern hemisphere custom, Australian International School year starts in January and ends in December.

Holidays	Month	Duration
Christmas	December and January	Two weeks
Chinese New Year	January or February	One week
Easter	March or April	Two weeks
Summer	June or July	Six weeks



Debentures

Debentures are a form of long-term debt instrument and are available for purchase by parents and companies. The idea behind debentures are that they are a means to raise funds for building works and other school-associated expenditures. Parents and employers can buy them in certain instances to jump the queue for school places. However, different schools have different debenture policies and it is recommended to check with the schools to which you would like to apply.

Often international schools require that you purchase a debenture upon the child's acceptance to the school.

The debenture secures the child's place and funds the maintenance and running expenses of the school. The debenture, but not the interest on the investment, is sometimes reimbursed after the child leaves the school. However, the financial administration of debentures may vary from school to school. A debenture is an equivalent to a non-interest loan that you, the parent, pay to the school.

Some schools require the purchase of a debenture which will depreciate in value annually. When the student leaves the school, the parents will receive the residual value, if any, after the depreciation has been taken into account.

School type - Definitions

International Schools

Education in Hong Kong offers a kaleidoscope of colors and cultures that makes every school classroom vibrant and welcoming. For students attending international schools, school life can be quite similar to their own country. The majority of the teachers are from Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the United States and the medium of teaching will be either English or another European language.

As with private schools in the United Kingdom, United States and Australia, Hong Kong schools tend to have strict codes of discipline and nearly all students wear school uniform.

The availability of spaces for children can be a challenge at times, as many of the schools have long waiting lists.

You would normally approach the school of choice directly via application. Thereafter, the admission depends on the availability of places, completion of all documents as per each school's requirement (this will vary from school to school) and in some cases successful completion of an assessment test which is conducted by the school.

There are a number of curricula available in Hong Kong – American, British, Australian, French, German, Japanese, and Singaporean – many of which also offer the IB Curriculum.

International schools are generally more expensive than other school types and are considered to be more traditional and more academically challenging. The application process varies from school to school; there are long waiting lists and extremely comprehensive interview processes.

The admission process for most of the international schools is designed to ensure students are placed in the right academic program to meet their learning needs. This enables students to reach their full potential, preparing them for post secondary education.

Admission decisions are based on careful assessment of each applicant. However priority is often given to applicants as follows:

1. Nationality status, for example German, Swiss and Austrian are favored by the German Swiss International School
2. Siblings currently attending the school

3. Existing debenture holders
4. Children of parents who work at the school

Note: Preference in the admission process is given to holders of corporate debentures. However, possession of a corporate debenture does not guarantee admission.

Enrolment requirements:

Submit completed application form, with some or all of the following documents:

- Copies of applicants school reports for the current and previous year
- Copies of reports for each grade of high school completed (transcripts, if available, must be provided)
- One passport sized photograph
- Photocopy of applicants birth certificate or his/her passport and HKID if available (passport copy must provide date of birth and a valid HK visa status)
- A cheque made payable to the school (application fee). An application fee is non-refundable/non-transferable
- Once the application and documents have been received, parents/guardians will be contacted to arrange a date and time for an interview (if available). Admission interview/assessment are only administered at each school by trained staff

Tips and advice

- There are two types of debentures – Corporate and Personal
- A corporate debenture can only be purchased by a registered Hong Kong company and should be purchased in advance of, or during the application process. However, some schools no longer offer corporate debentures. Also, possession of a Corporate Debenture does not confer an absolute guarantee of admission
- A personal debenture may be required to be purchased after admission as a means of securing a place. In some cases, such debentures are not fully reimbursable if a child leaves a school and are non-transferable. The cost of a personal debenture ranges from HK\$75,000 – HK\$600,000
- A personal debenture is issued only in the name of the parent or guardian of a student. The parent may nominate one child only at any time under each personal debenture

English Schools Foundation (ESF) Schools

ESF schools receive a subsidy from the Hong Kong government to provide an education for English speaking children who cannot access the local school system. The schools are not selective: admission depends on the student's ability to benefit from an ESF education.

Application Period: Central Admissions is September 1-30. Applications during these dates are not prioritized, however applications after September 30 are put on a waiting list.

Enrolment Requirements:

- Only one application may be submitted per student. Applications must be made to a school in your home zone (except Year One and Seven students applying during central application)
- Students must be able to cope with an English-medium curriculum
- Children who speak English as a first or alternative language but do not speak Chinese will be invited for an interview before those who speak Chinese and can access the local school system

ESF Nomination Rights Scheme

A new ESF Individual Nomination Right Scheme is open to children who are already in Hong Kong as well as those coming in from overseas. Corporate Nomination Rights have also been introduced 1 August 2013. Please contact ESF for further information.

Children whose parents apply for the ESF Nomination Rights Scheme will gain the opportunity for priority placement in an ESF school*, provided that they meet the admissions requirements.

The new scheme costs HK\$500,000. At the time of application for Individual Nomination Rights, parents have to put down a deposit of HK\$50,000 but do not need to pay the balance until their child has been offered a place after the admissions interview. The HK\$50,000 deposit will be wholly refunded if the child is unsuccessful at the interview.

**Note: The scheme is not applicable for entry to Learning Support Centres and Jockey Club Sarah Roe School, Discovery College, Renaissance College and the four ESF International kindergartens.*

Tips and advice

- Many expat families live in the New Territories, thus Clearwater Bay primary school has a higher proportion of expat students, as priority is given to students who cannot access the local system
- Students from Clearwater Bay primary school usually move on to King George V School and students from Glenealy and Peak primary schools move on to Island school for their secondary education
- ESF has long centralized waiting lists for Year One and Year Seven classes
- Parents who apply to ESF may also apply to ESF Educational Services for admission to private independent schools, such as Discovery College and Renaissance College
- Parents can still apply to ESF schools after Central Application period has closed by writing directly to the admissions secretary of the school in a particular zone
- Late applications via a school are prioritized on the waiting list by category and date received



Local Schools

Given the widely acknowledged fact that the international schools are oversubscribed, there has been more interest from the Education Bureau to expand the possibilities for foreign students to enroll in the local school system on the condition that they hold a valid visa and a HKID. Those on “visitor” or “student” visas will not be allowed to attend the local schools.

There are four district offices for the Education Bureau, and once it is known where a child is going to reside, the appropriate office can be contacted to provide details of available spaces and next steps.

Some of these local schools will provide language support for children who are not fluent in Cantonese to help them adjust to the new language.

Hong Kong Regional Education office

Tel: +852 2863 4600
Email: peohk@edb.gov.hk

Kowloon Regional Education office

Tel: +852 3698 4111
Email: peok@edb.gov.hk

New Territories East Education office

Tel: +852 2639 4876
Email: peont@edb.gov.hk

New Territories West Education office

Tel: +852 2437 7272
Email: peok@edb.gov.hk

Primary, Secondary and University

The structure of the education system in Hong Kong is based on the United Kingdom system. Students may attend up to three years of kindergarten, starting at the age of three. After kindergarten, students enter six years of primary school. Each of the final three years of primary school concludes with intense examinations, which determine the secondary school that each student may be eligible to attend.

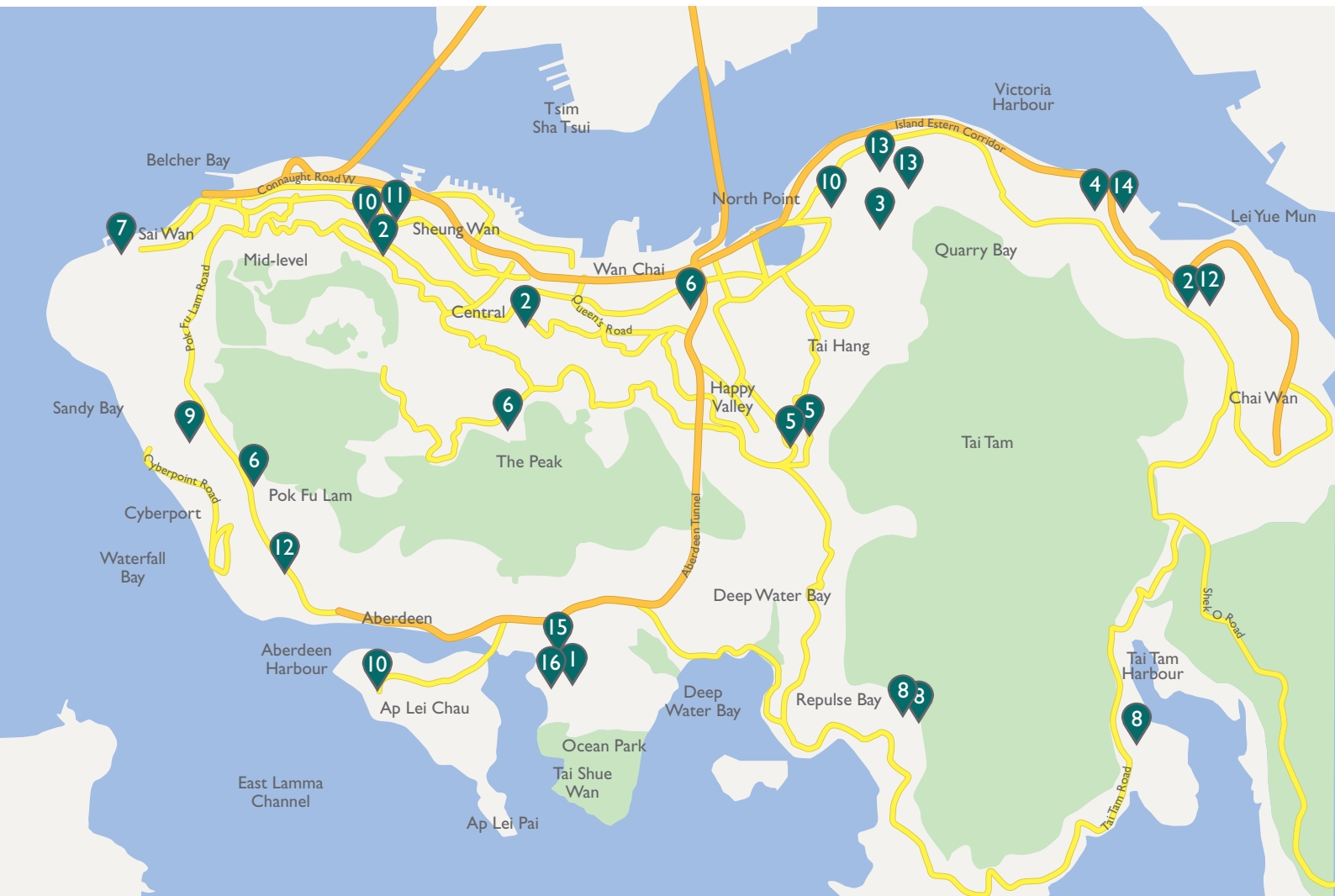
Secondary school is divided into two levels: Junior and Senior. The secondary schools themselves are divided into three Bands. The Bands are ranked in order of academic prestige, with Band I being the most prestigious. Naturally, the better ranked “Band” of school a student attends, the better chance he/she has of getting into university.

Only the Junior years (or Forms) of secondary school in Hong Kong are compulsory. These are Forms 1, 2, and 3. When this period ends, the students who are planning on attending university enter Forms 4 and 5, a period also called Matriculation.

Most universities offer three-year programs to obtain a Bachelor’s degree. As of 2012, the local system has been re-structured, consisting of three years of junior secondary, three of senior secondary, and a four-year normative undergraduate degree. Many university courses have become four year programs, partly in response to the change from four years to three years in the senior secondary years.



International Schools on Hong Kong Island



International Schools

1. Canadian International School (CDNIS)
2. Carmel School of Hong Kong
3. Chinese International School (CIS)
4. Delia School of Canada
5. French International School (FIS) - 2 campus locations and additional campus in Hung Hom Kowloon
6. German Swiss International School (GSIS) - 2 campus locations
7. The Harbour School
8. Hong Kong International School (HKIS) - 3 campus locations
9. The Independent Schools Foundation Academy (ISF)
10. International Montessori School (IMS)
11. Island Christian Academy
12. Kellett School
13. Kiangsu & Chekiang International School (KCIS)
14. Korean International School (KIS)
15. Singapore International School (SIS)
16. Victoria Shanghai Academy (VSA)

Canadian International School (CDNIS)



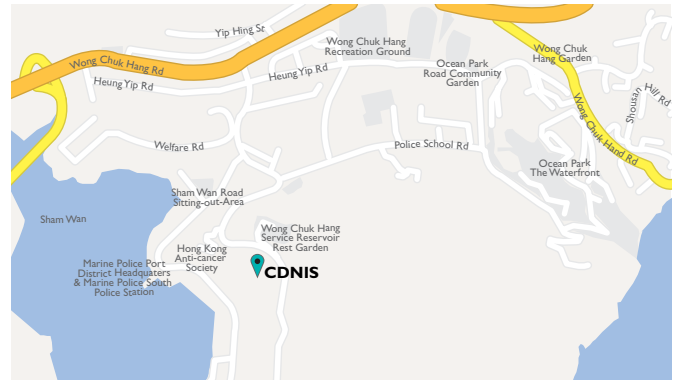
36 Nam Long Shan Road
 Aberdeen, Hong Kong
 Tel: +852 2525 7088
 Email: schoolinfo@cdnis.edu.hk
 Website: www.cdnis.edu.hk

About CDNIS

Curriculum: Ontario & IB

CDNIS is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School. The school also grants credits for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD). The school provides a curriculum in English with Mandarin strongly promoted as a second language. The school is particularly strong in the areas of technology, sports and arts. CDNIS is the second largest international school and has a population of over 1,800 students.

Recognized as Hong Kong’s leading international school by the Hong Kong Business magazine’s High Flyers campaign for six consecutive years, Canadian International School of Hong Kong (CDNIS) is a non-profit organization that provides a “through-train” education to students from Pre-Reception through to Grade 12 graduation.



School Fees

Pre-Reception/ Reception (half day)	HK\$84,000
Preparatory – G4	HK\$115,000
G5 & G6	HK\$115,000
G7 & G8	HK\$134,000
G9 – G12	HK\$145,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,350
Assessment and Testing Fee	HK\$1,650
Annual Capital Levy (payable by non debenture holders)	HK\$27,000
Debenture Costs (contact school for details)	Fluctuates
Additional IB Fee (Grade 11-12)	HK\$6,000



Carmel School of Hong Kong



**Ganeyu Early Childhood Center
and Carmel Preschool**
Level 3 & 4, One Robinson Place,
70 Robinson Road, Mid-Levels, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2249 7600

Elementary & Preschool
10 Borrett Road, Mid-Levels, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2964 1600

Elsa High School
460 Shau Kei Wan Rd
Shau Kei Wan, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 3665 5388

Email: admin@carmel.edu.hk
Website: www.carmel.edu.hk



About Carmel

Curriculum: Jewish (Elementary) & IB (Elsa)

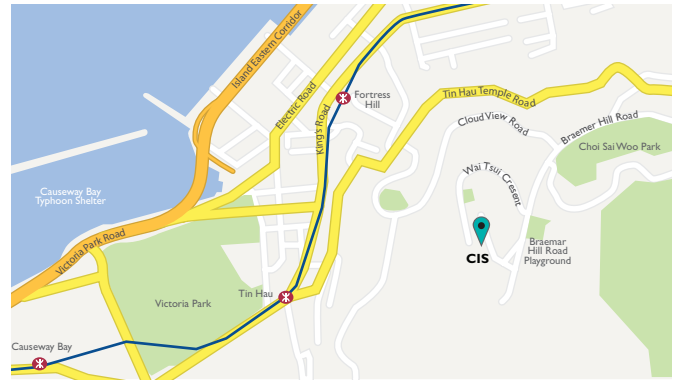
Carmel School was founded in 1991 as East Asia's first Jewish Day School. With the addition of Elsa High School (opened in 2009), an authorized IB Diploma and MYP school, they provide an international through-train education from 1-18 years. The International Stream is open to all non-Jewish students from Grades 6 and up and provide an intense English Language program for non-native speakers.

School Fees

Ganeyu (Early Childhood) and Carmel Pre-school	HK\$57,000 (Ganeyu)/ HK\$77,000
Carmel Elementary	HK\$123,900
Elsa High School Mainstream	HK\$123,900
Elsa International Stream	HK\$145,500
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Annual Capital Levy (High School)	HK\$15,000



Chinese International School (CIS)



I Hau Yuen Path
 Braemer Hill, Hong Kong
 Tel: +852 2510 7288
 Email: admissions@cis.edu.hk
 Website: www.cis.edu.hk

About CIS

Curriculum: IB

CIS Primary school is divided into seven year levels from Reception through to Year 6. The curriculum is driven and conceptualized to reflect the English and Chinese dual language. The Chinese dual language program is taught in Mandarin and Year 10 students are required to attend a residential program in Hangzhou. In the secondary school, the Middle Years and Diploma programs of the International Baccalaureate Organization have been adopted as the frameworks for the CIS curriculum – placing a strong emphasis on critical thinking and intercultural understanding. All students in Years 7 -11 pursue the Middle Year Program (IBMYP) and Year 10. Students in Year 12 and 13 pursue the IB Diploma Program (IBDP). Students are offered a range of co-curricular and extra-curricular options.

School Fees

Reception	HK\$114,800
Y1 – Y6	HK\$152,200
Y7 – Y11	HK\$179,800
Y12 – Y13	HK\$182,300
Application Fee (non– refundable)	HK\$2,000
Reservation Fee	HK\$7,500
Annual Capital Levy	HK\$17,500
[A parent may elect to pay an Annual Levy instead of CNR or PNR (Corporate/Personal Nomination Right)]	
Debentures	
Corporate Nomination Right (CNR)	HK\$1,000,000
Personal Nomination Right (PNR)	HK\$75,000



Delia School of Canada



Elementary & High Schools:
 1 Tai Fung Avenue
 Taikoo Shing, Hong Kong

Elementary School: +852 3658 0508
 Email: e.office@delia.edu.hk

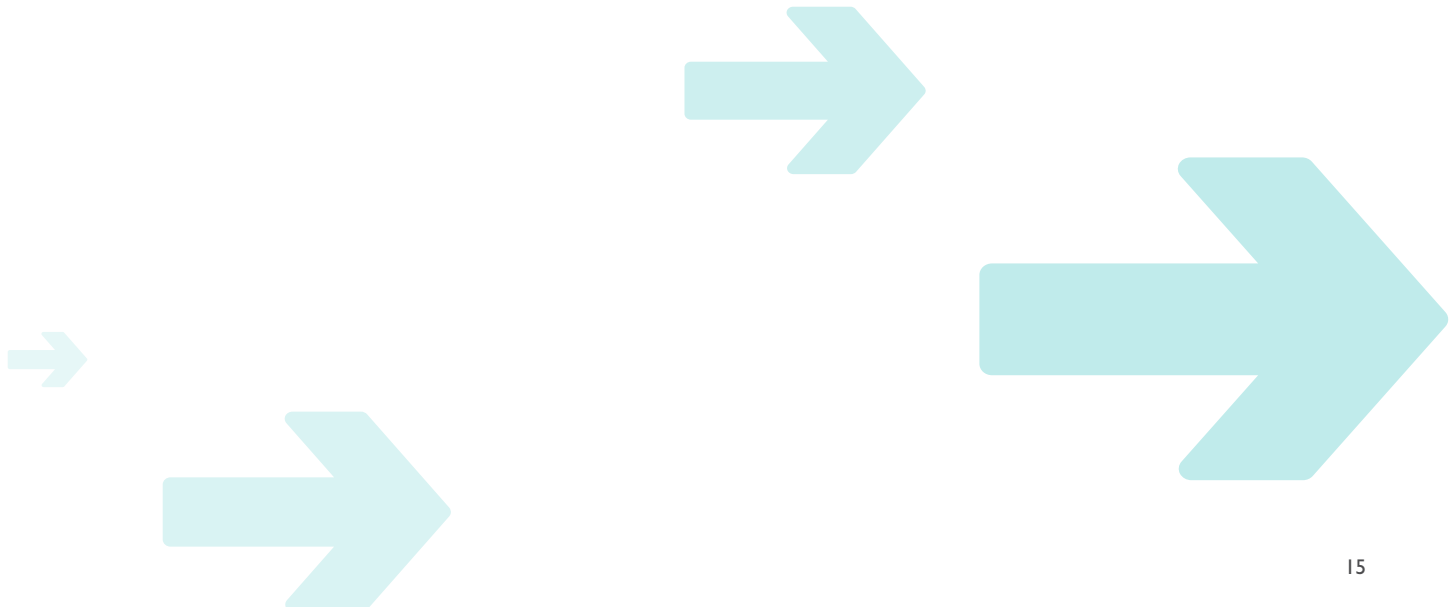
Secondary School: +852 3658 0338
 Email: s.office@delia.edu.hk

Website: www.delia.edu.hk

School Fees	
Pre-Grade 1	HK\$90,000
Years 1 - 8	HK\$94,000
Years 9 - 10	HK\$100,000
Years 11 - 12	HK\$105,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$600

About Delia School of Canada
 Curriculum: Ontario

The school follows the Ontario Curriculum from PGI to G12, leading to the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Students are provided a rigorous and challenging curriculum in all core academic subjects as well as the arts with advanced IT environment. DSC offers intensive ESL and international language programs in Putonghua, French and Japanese. Various co-curricular clubs, teams and committees are available.



French International School (FIS)



Primary:
34 Price Road, Jardine’s Lookout, Hong Kong

Primary: (Temp Campus)
1 Cheung Man Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong

Secondary:
165 Blue Pool Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong

Tel: +852 2577 6217
Email: fis@fis.edu.hk
Website: www.fis.edu.hk

About FIS
Curriculum: British & IB

The international kindergarten and primary sections follow the British National Curriculum. Languages are particularly encouraged with Mandarin and French being taught from Primary. In Form 1 of the secondary section, Latin or Mandarin is offered. Spanish is offered from Form 3. In Form 4 students choose nine or ten subjects to study to IGCSE level; IGCSE public examinations are taken at the end of Form 5 but may be taken a year early in certain cases. In the International Stream, Forms 6 and 7 follow International Baccalaureate Diploma level courses approved by the IBO in Geneva and recognized for university matriculation around the world.



School Fees	French Stream
Kindergarten Bilingual	HK\$90,974
Kindergarten French	HK\$83,068
Elementary Bilingual	HK\$84,872
Secondary Bilingual First Cycle	HK\$99,017
Non-bilingual	HK\$88,904
Second Cycle	HK\$108,776

School Fees	International Stream
Kindergarten	HK\$90,688
Primary	HK\$90,688
Secondary I - 5	HK\$116,797
Secondary IB	HK\$146,094

Other Fees	
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$500
Assessment Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Registration Fee (non-refundable and upon acceptance)	HK\$3,800
Debenture Fee	
Corporate	HK\$250,000
Personal	K\$90,000

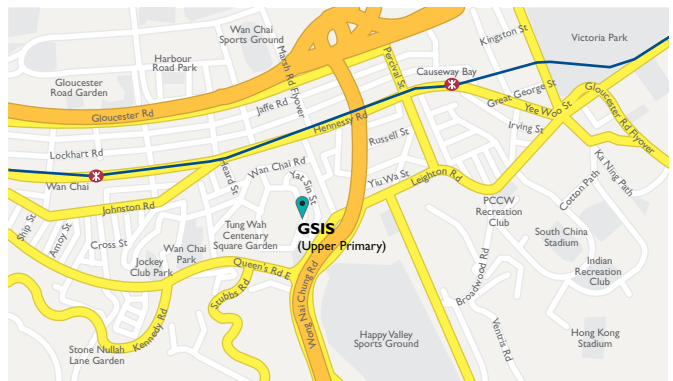
(compulsory and does not give admission priority)



German Swiss International School (GSIS)



**Kindergarten and Lower Primary
(Y01-Y02/DV0R-K01) & Lower P to Grade 2:**
162 Pok Fu Lam Road, Pok Fu Lam, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2849 6217



Upper Primary (Y03-Y06/K02-K04):
30 Oi Kwan Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2849 6218

Secondary:
11 Guildford Road, The Peak, Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2849 6216



Email: gsis@gsis.edu.hk
Website: www.gsis.edu.hk

About GSIS

Curriculum: German, British & IB

GSIS is comprised of two parallel streams. German Stream students work towards the International Abitur diploma, following the curriculum of the German federal state of Thuringia. The English Stream prepares students for the I/GCSEs and, from 2013, for the International Baccalaureate Diploma.



School Fees

Kindergarten	HK\$120,900
K01-K05 (Y01-Y06)	HK\$120,900
K06-K10 (Y07-Y11)	HK\$145,920
K11 & K12 (Y12 & Y13)	HK\$154,150
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$3,700
Assessment Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$4,300
Debenture (Corporate & Personal)	
Option A: Standard Debenture	HK\$375,000
Option B: Donation to School (compulsory and does not give admission priority)	HK\$262,500

The Harbour School



2/F Kennedy Town Centre
23 Belchers Street, Kennedy Town
Hong Kong
Tel: +852 2816 5222
Email: info@theharbourschool.edu.hk
Website: www.theharbourschool.edu.hk

About Harbour School

Curriculum: A mix of British and US

The school provides classes from Reception to Grade Eight. By using small class sizes with a low student to teacher ratio, the school prides itself on providing classes that are customized to the unique style, needs, abilities and skills of each child. The Harbour School is a progressive international school with emphasis on science, social studies/history, rhetoric and the arts and a structured, individualized approach to the core subject areas of literacy and numeracy.



School Fees

Pre-Kindergarten - Kindergarten	HK\$125,000
Grade 1 - Grade 8	HK\$128,750
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,500
Joining Fee (non-refundable)	
First Child	HK\$15,000
Second Child	HK\$5,000
Annual Capital Levy	HK\$17,000



Hong Kong International School (HKIS)



Primary School:
6 & 23 South Bay Close,
Repulse Bay, Hong Kong

Middle School:
700 Tai Tam Reservoir Road, Hong Kong

Secondary School:
1 Red Hill, Tai Tam, Hong Kong

Tel: +852 3149 7000

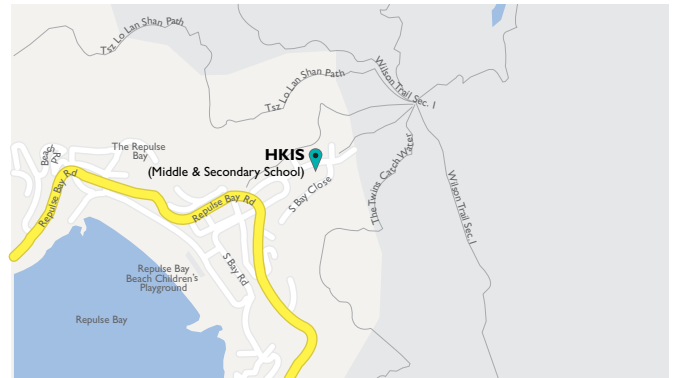
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Website: www.hkis.edu.hk

About HKIS

Curriculum: US

The school follows an American-styled curriculum offering various Advanced Placement courses and three foreign languages. The school incorporates two language streams - Mandarin as a Second Language (MSL) and Mandarin for Near Native Speakers (MNN). At the high school level, more than 20 Advanced Placement courses are available and more than 80% of students who take AP exams earn university credit.

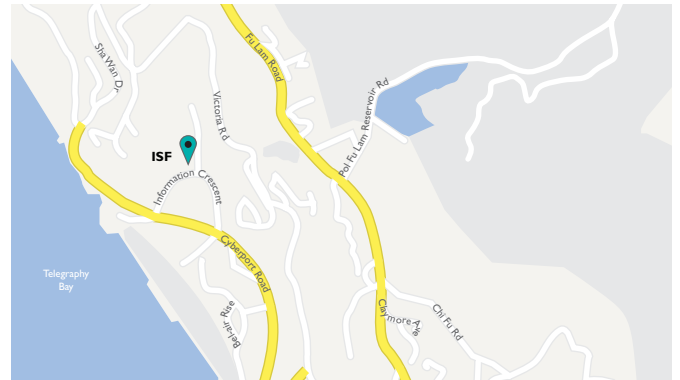


School Fees

Reception Half Day	HK\$100,600
Reception Full Day	HK\$185,700
R2 - G5	HK\$185,700
G6 - G8	HK\$191,700
G9 - G11	HK\$210,200
G12	HK\$210,900
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,000
Annual Capital Levy	HK\$15,000
Annual Capital Levy (half day)	HK\$7,500
Debenture Fee (Corporate & Personal)	HK\$2,000,000



The Independent Schools Foundation Academy (ISF)



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About ISF

Curriculum: IB

Talents and interests are respected and nurtured. Instead of following the local Hong Kong curriculum or a complete set of curriculum from a particular country, the ISF Academy strives to adopt the best practices from around the world. Opening in August 2003 with 56 students in Grades 1 to 4, the ISF Academy is a non-profit, private independent school with a global perspective. Professor Sir Charles Kao, Nobel laureate in Physics, was the Founding Chairman of The ISF from 2000 to 2008. His philosophy of education is encapsulated in his motto “Learning! Learning! Learning!”, which shaped the vision and philosophy of education at The ISF Academy. The school currently has 1,200 students from Foundation Year to Grade 12.

School Fees

Foundation Year - G5	HK\$142,500
G6 - G10 (MYP)	HK\$166,150
G11 - G12 (DP)	HK\$180,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Online Application	HK\$1,000
Annual Capital Levy	
1st year	HK\$45,000
2nd and subsequent years	HK\$30,000
General Capital Levy (one off lump sum, refundable)	HK\$200,000
Capital Note (non-refundable but transferable)	HK\$4,500,000



International Montessori School (IMS)



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About IMS

Curriculum: Montessori International Primary Years Programme

The International Montessori School (IMS) is a non-profit, dual-language (English and Putonghua Chinese) school, which caters to 600 primary and kindergarten children from over 40 countries. IMS is the only accredited Montessori primary school in Greater China. IMS has an individually tailored Chinese curriculum based on Montessori's multisensory and interactive approach, and is now considered one of the world's leading Montessori bilingual programs. Montessori is an internationally recognized education method with a 100 year history of providing an unique and enriching education to children all over the world. Based on the principles of enquiry-based learning and development of the whole child, the Montessori philosophy fulfills the guidelines of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program (IB PYP).



School Fees

Toddler Foundation (18-36 months)	HK\$6,800 per Month
Casa dei Bambini (3-6 years)	
Half days	HK\$95,000
Extended day	HK\$135,000
Primary Programme	HK\$135,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,000
Debenture Cost	
Personal	HK\$75,000
Corporate	HK\$200,000

Island Christian Academy



**ISLAND
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School Fees

Tuition Fee per annum for all year group	HK\$91,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$900
Reservation Fee	HK\$9,100
Capital Levy	HK\$10,500

About Island Christian Academy

Curriculum: International Primary Curriculum
(Combination of British and Australian)

Island Christian Academy is part of the Generations Christian Education organisation, which operates Christian and international schools within Hong Kong. The school started in August 2012, providing classes from Year 1, 2 and 3 for the opening academic year 2012-13 and eventually opening up to Year 6. The school will run the International Primary Curriculum (IPC) in tandem with the UK National Literacy Framework and the Australian Origo Maths Curriculum. They will also be implementing a Bible worldview curriculum.



Kellett School



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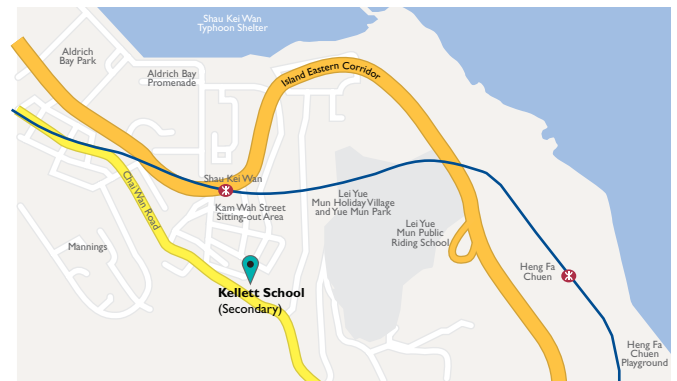
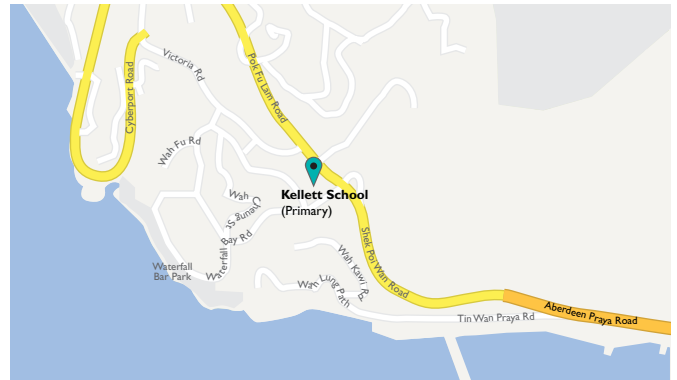
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About Kellett School

Curriculum: British

The curriculum is based on the English National Curriculum with English as the medium of instruction. United Kingdom inspectors and education specialists regularly review both the school's curriculum and standards of teaching and learning. The Reception Foundation Curriculum focuses on pupil's personal development, literacy and numeracy skills. The program is structured to also assist the development of knowledge and understanding of the world, physical dexterity and creativity. New Kowloon Bay campus opening in August 2013.

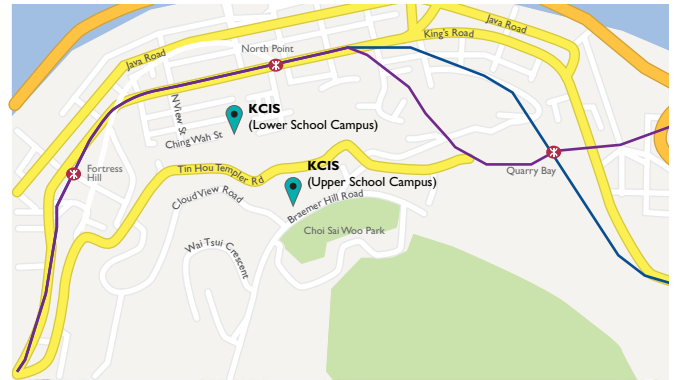


School Fees

Preparatory	HK\$123,500
Senior	HK\$160,800
Registration and Assessment Fee (non-refundable)	
Primary	HK\$2,000
Secondary	HK\$2,500
Annual Capital Levy (Secondary only)	HK\$10,000
Debenture Costs—	
AVAILABLE	
Depreciating Individual Debenture	HK\$100,000
NONE OF THE BELOW ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE	
Foundation Debenture (more for companies)	HK\$10,000,000
Foundation Certificate (non-refundable)	HK\$5,000,000
Foundation Sibling Debenture	HK\$500,000
Corporate Capital Contribution or Sibling Corporate Capital Contribution	(price on application)
Depreciating Corporate Debenture (currently not available)	HK\$500,000



Kiangsu & Chekiang College International School



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About KCIS

Curriculum: British

The schools offer a through-train education, and have adopted the British National Curriculum, modified for Asia, which is in place from Kindergarten through to Secondary Year II. IGCSE and IB Diploma examinations are studied for and sat in Year II and Year 13 respectively. English, Mandarin, Mathematics and Science are the core subjects throughout the schools, with other subjects studied including Geography, History, Art & Design, Music, Design & Technology and ICT.

School Fees

Kindergarten / Reception	HK\$51,000
Primary 1– 6	HK\$70,500
Secondary	HK\$88,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$500
Registration Deposit	
Kindergarten / Reception	HK\$10,200
Primary	HK\$13,700
Secondary	HK\$17,600
(refundable upon completion of first year)	



Korean International School (KIS)



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About KIS

Curriculum: British

The International Section of Korean International School features classes from Reception up to and including Year 13. Korean International School is registered with the Hong Kong Education Bureau and all teachers are accredited by the Bureau. Korean International School is a Cambridge Centre. The programs of study at all levels are based on syllabi designed and approved by Cambridge International Examinations Syndicate. In Upper Secondary they offer IGCSE in Year 10 and 11 and AS and A Level in Year 12 and 13. Specialized programs include ESL, Korean and Mandarin.



School Fees – English Section

Reception Class/ LG2 (for Korean Section)	HK\$66,000
Primary	HK\$83,500
Secondary	HK\$94,000

School Fees - Korean Section

Reception Class/ LG2 (for Korean Section)	HK\$51,800
LG I	HK\$51,800
Primary	HK\$68,500
Secondary	HK\$89,500

School Fees

Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Deposit English Section:	
Reception	HK\$5,280
Primary	HK\$7,950
Secondary	HK\$8,950
Deposit Korean Section:	
LG2 & LG1	HK\$5,180
Primary	HK\$6,850
Secondary	HK\$8,950



Singapore International School (SIS)



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About SIS

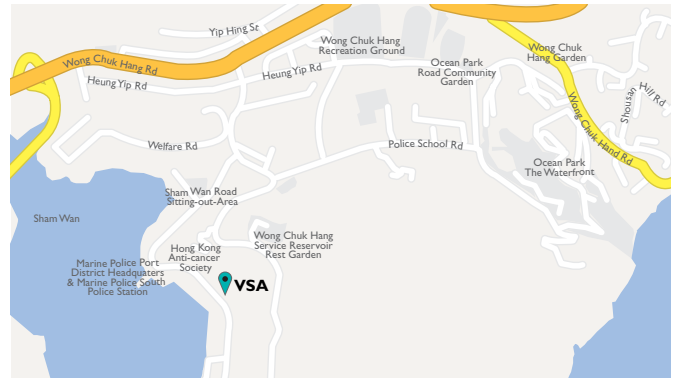
Curriculum: Singaporean & IB

The Preparatory Year (PY) program, one of the most highly sought-after in Hong Kong, offers young children a balanced education catering to their physical, intellectual, moral, emotional and social development. A Singapore curriculum is introduced at primary level which offers a broad-based education, anchored in a rigorous bilingual program. At Secondary level, the Singaporean curriculum offers a future-oriented and holistic education that emphasises sound knowledge and skills acquisition, internalization of values, and cultivation of global perspectives. Secondary 4 (Year 10) students sit for IGCSE and the pre-University section plans to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.

For School Fees and related information please directly contact Singapore International School



Victoria Shanghai Academy (VSA)



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About Victoria Shanghai Academy

Curriculum: PYP IB

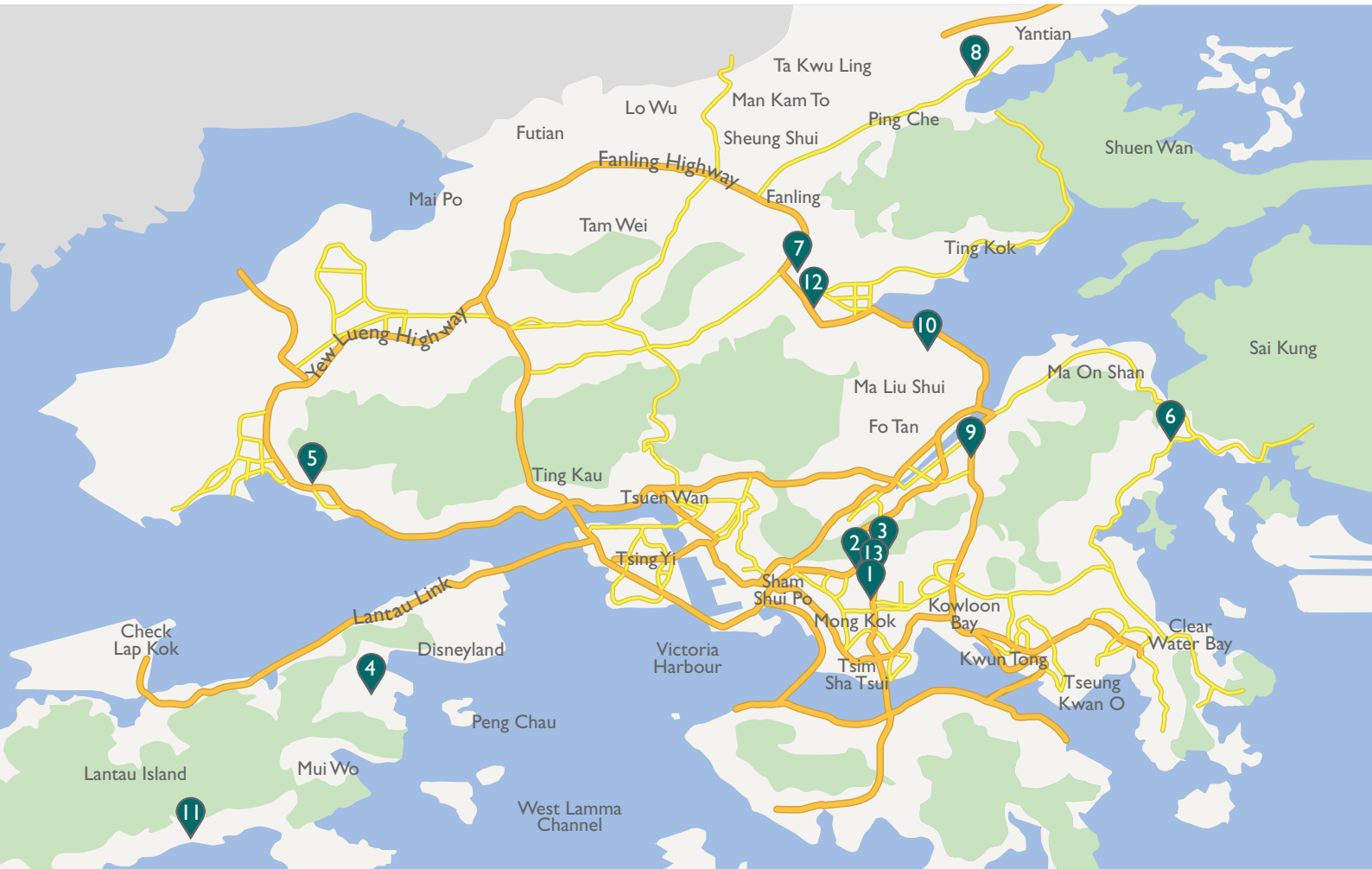
VSA is a private independent school which is an IB world school in Hong Kong and the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (PYP), Middle Years Programme (MYP) and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (DP). In 2012, the school became a member of the Council of International Schools (CIS).

School Fees

Year 1 - 5	HK\$87,950
Year 6	HK\$100,300
Year 7 - 8	HK\$101,690
Year 9 - 10	HK\$102,610
Year 11 - 12	HK\$127,080
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$500



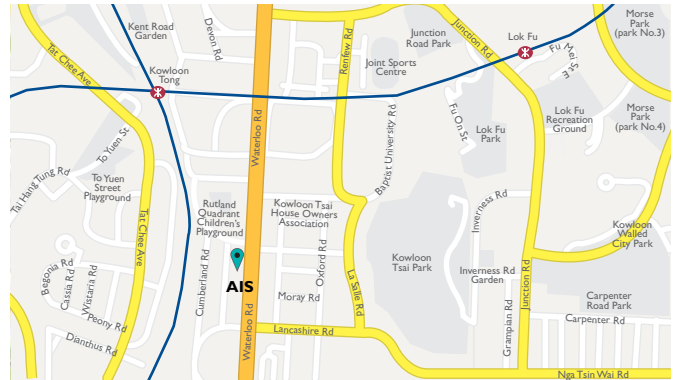
International Schools in Kowloon and New Territories



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American International School (AIS)



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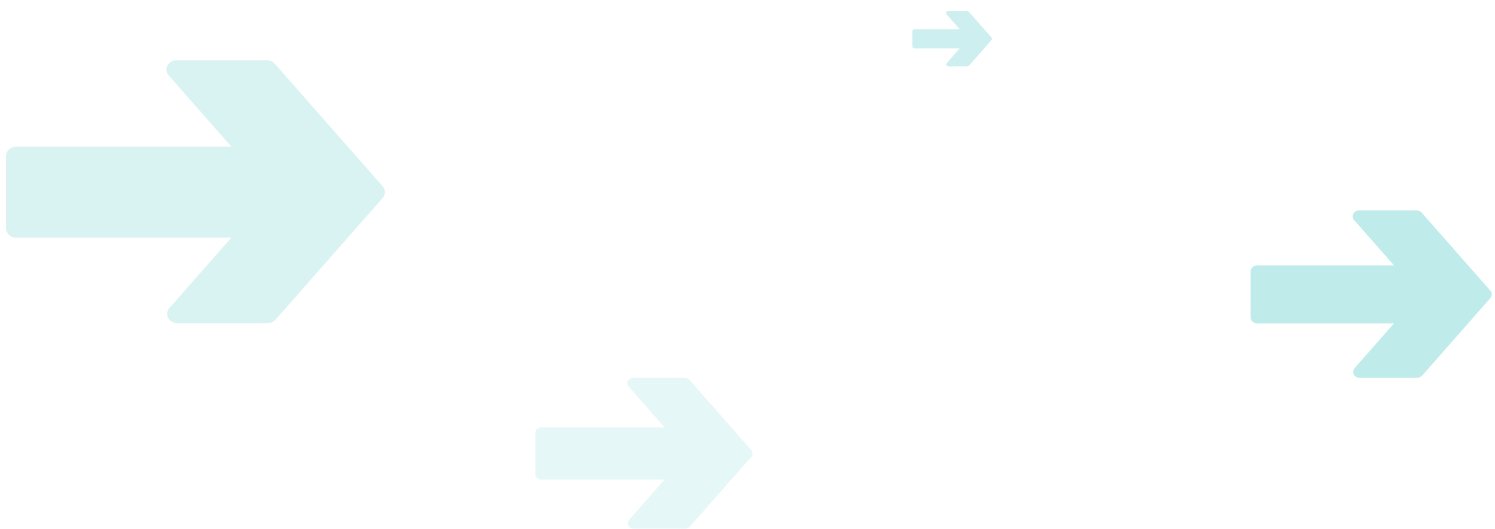
School Fees

Early Childhood 1 (half day)	HK \$64,360
Early Childhood 2 (full day) to Grade 2	HK\$69,280
Grade 3 to Grade 5	HK\$101,440
Grade 6 to Grade 8	HK\$108,600
Grade 9 to Grade 12	HK \$119,080
Application Fee	HK\$1,500

About AIS

Curriculum: US Common Core State Standards and Advanced Placement courses

Founded in 1986, AIS is a not-for-profit, independent, co-educational school serving both the international and local communities in Hong Kong. Fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), AIS provides a comprehensive educational program that successfully combines US Common Core State Standards (CCSS) with international best practices.



Anfield School

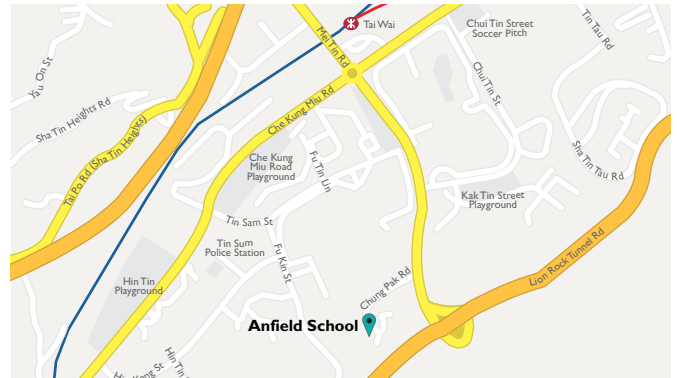


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About Anfield School

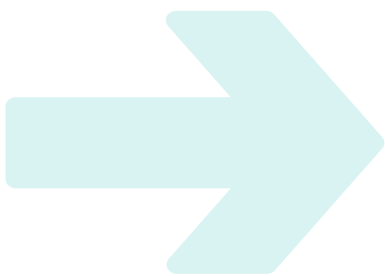
Curriculum: British

Anfield School is a private, independent Catholic school for boys and girls from Year 1 to Year 6 providing students with a National British Curriculum. Anfield School uses English as the medium for teaching and learning. In addition, there is also a strong emphasis on the acquisition of Chinese (Putonghua) as a second language.

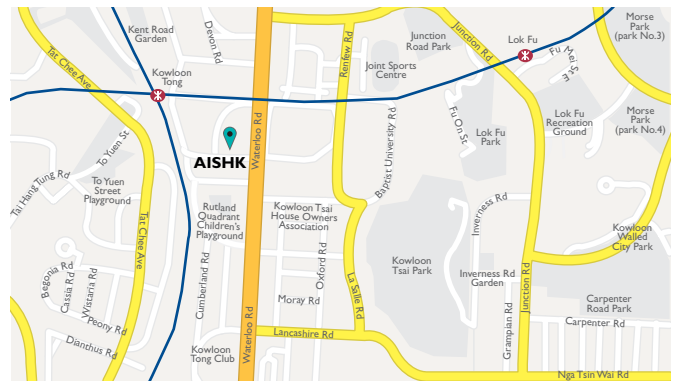


School Fees

Annual Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$105,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Confirmation Charge	HK\$45,000
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Annual Facility Development Fee	HK\$5,000
Annual Composition Fee	HK\$9,000
Annual Membership Fee	HK\$500



Australian International School Hong Kong (AISHK)



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About AISHK

Curriculum: NSW & IB

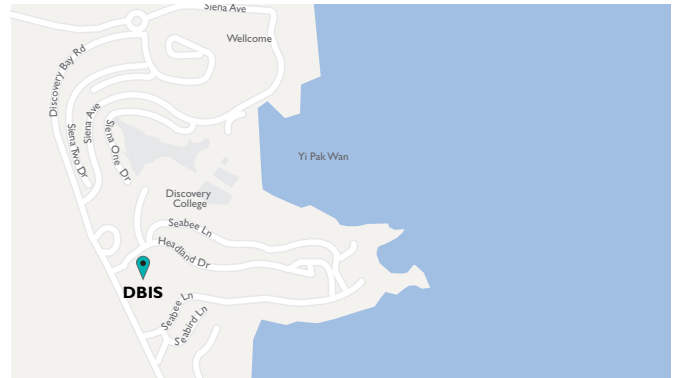
Incorporated in 1995, AISHK was founded to fulfil the growing demand for a high-quality Australian educational institution in Hong Kong. The School is co-educational, non-denominational. The Australian school year starts in January and finishes in December. Based on an Australian curriculum, the school's medium of instruction is English. Putonghua is also taught as part of the curriculum, which has been modified to fit an Asian setting. Students in Years 11 and 12 can choose to study courses offered in either the New South Wales Higher School Certificate or the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma.

School Fees

Reception	HK\$76,300
Preparatory - Y6	HK\$109,600
Y7 - Y10	HK\$126,500
Y11 - Y12 (HSC)	HK\$132,800
Y11 - Y12 (IB)	HK\$164,200
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,500
Annual Capital Levy (if debentures are unavailable)	HK\$16,000
Reservation Deposit	HK\$10,000
Depreciating Debenture	HK\$100,000
Gold Debenture (non-refundable)	HK\$3,000,000



Discovery Bay International School (DBIS)



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About DBIS

Curriculum: British

The curriculum is delivered in English with Mandarin being a compulsory specialist subject for Reception to Year 7. The school caters for Nursery to 16 years (Year 11).

School Fees

Half Day Nursery	HK\$65,000
Full Day Reception	HK\$80,000
Primary (Y1 - Y6)	HK\$86,600
Junior Secondary (Y7 - Y9)	HK\$115,500
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Premium School Development Levy (fast track – one off)	HK\$450,000
Standard School Development Levy first and second child (per child)	HK\$40,000
third child in two annual installments	HK\$30,000



Harrow International School Hong Kong



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About Harrow International School

Curriculum: British

Harrow International School Hong Kong, which opened in September 2012, is the first co-educational international boarding and day school in Hong Kong. The campus is located on the Gold Coast in the New Territories. It provides a distinctive and high quality education from Early Years to Year 13. The Lower School includes a Crèche, Early Years Department and the Pre-Prep School. The Upper School comprises the Prep School, Senior School and Sixth Form. The academic curriculum is based on the National Curriculum of England leading towards public examinations at IGCSE and A-level. The school places a strong emphasis on leadership and team-working skills. It's clear and distinctive mission statement, "Leadership for a better world", underpins what happens in the classroom, in extra-curricular activities and pastoral care in the school. It places emphasis on the quality of relationships and community life, and the personal formation of character.



School Fees - (Provisional)

Pre-K	HK\$118,700
K1 and K2	HK\$123,400
Year 1-5	HK\$141,300
Year 6-8	HK\$161,400
Year 9-11	HK\$161,400
Year 12-13	HK\$167,800
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,500
Entry Fee	HK\$12,000
Annual Capital Levy	HK\$50,000
Corporate Capital Certificates	HK\$3,000,000
Individual Capital Certificates	HK\$3,000,000
Individual Debentures	HK\$600,000



Hong Kong Academy



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About HKA

Curriculum: IB

Hong Kong Academy (HKA) is an independent, nonprofit, co-educational day school for students aged 3-18. HKA features an inquiry-based, concept-driven curriculum that provides a well-rounded, student-centered program. The school was founded in 2000 to serve the educational needs of Hong Kong’s expatriate and local communities by providing a broad, international-style curriculum that incorporates the best teaching practices from around the globe. It was conceived with the guiding principle that all students have the right to a high-quality education that supports both their learning styles and their natural strengths. The school offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Programme, IB Middle Years Programme (candidate school), and the IB Diploma.

School Fees

PKI- K2	HK\$100,800
Primary K - G5	HK\$139,600
Middle School G6 - G8	HK\$150,000
High School G9 - G10	HK\$157,400
High School G11 - G12	HK\$164,800
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,800
Annual Capital Levy	HK\$18,000
Entrance Fee	
First Child	HK\$20,000
Second Child	HK\$10,000
Family Debenture (mandatory)	HK\$450,000



International College Hong Kong Hong Lok Yuen



International College Hong Kong

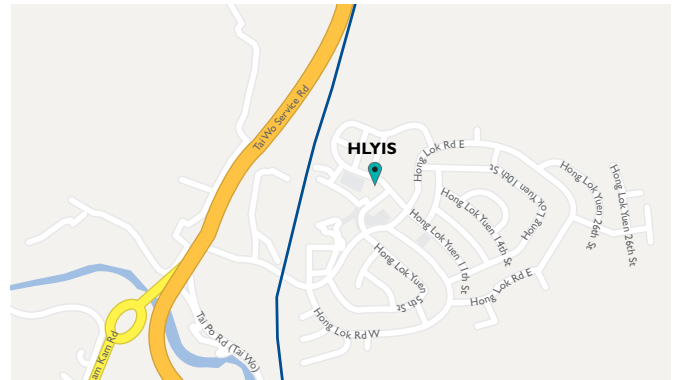
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About HLYIS

Curriculum: British

International College Hong Kong Hong Lok Yuen caters for both expatriates from all over the world and English-speaking local Chinese students from 3-11 years. Although the medium of instruction is English, the school has a long tradition of teaching Chinese (Putonghua) both as a first and second language. The IB Primary Years Programme (IBPYP) is used to ensure that all students take responsibility for their own learning by discovering how to learn and think, in preparation for future education and life.

Physical education and Chinese are high profile whilst emphasis is also placed on the Arts (Music, Visual Arts, Drama and Dance). The school also celebrates a multicultural environment and values diversity. Encouraging students to be internationally minded is both part of the schools taught curriculum and part of general school life. A particular emphasis is placed on the individual with small class sizes which enables teachers to know each child and their specific needs, and to cater for their differences.

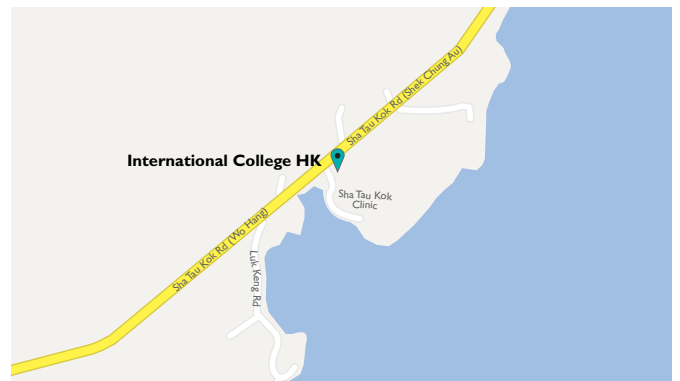


School Fees

Pre-Nursery	HK\$23,760
Part Time Nursery	HK\$59,130
Full Time Nursery to Year 6	HK\$102,600
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,800
Reservation Charge (non-refundable)	HK\$15,000
Annual Capital Levy (non-refundable)	HK\$12,000
Capital Debenture (refundable)	HK\$30,000



International College Hong Kong



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School Fees	
Year 7 - Year 9	HK\$133,500
Year 10 - Year 11	HK\$139,250
Year 12 - Year 14	HK\$148,500
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$2,000
Capital Deposit (refundable)	HK\$80,000

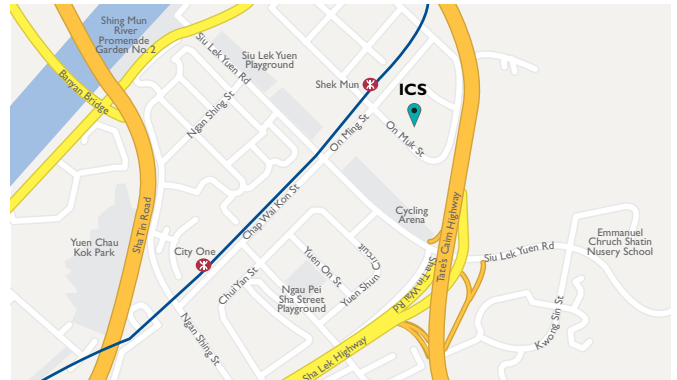
About International College Hong Kong

Curriculum: British

International College Hong Kong (ICHK) is a non-profit international school providing quality secondary education for Hong Kong students from the ages of 11 to 18 primarily from within their partner primary schools: Japanese International School, Hong Lok Yuen International School and Kingston International School. The college also welcomes students, with the appropriate level of English, from other families within the New Territories seeking the benefits of small class sizes and enquiry-learning.



International Christian School (ICS)



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About ICS

Curriculum: US

International Christian School is a non-profit education center that offers classes for Pre-Grade 1 through Grade 12.

School Fees

Reception (half day)	HK\$52,200
Elementary (Grade 1 - Grade 5)	HK\$95,200
Middle School (Grade 6 - Grade 8)	HK\$126,100
High School (Grade 9 - Grade 12)	HK\$129,300
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$1,500
Building Maintenance Fee	HK\$1,000
Individual debenture cost for families	
First Child	HK\$190,000
Second Child	HK\$130,000
Third Child	HK\$100,000
(No debentures is required for additional children beyond third child)	



Japanese International School (JIS)



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School Fees

Total Annual Tuition Fee for all grades	HK\$85,750
Interview Fee	HK\$600
Annual Capital Levy	HK\$14,000
Total annual fee for JIS students	HK\$99,750

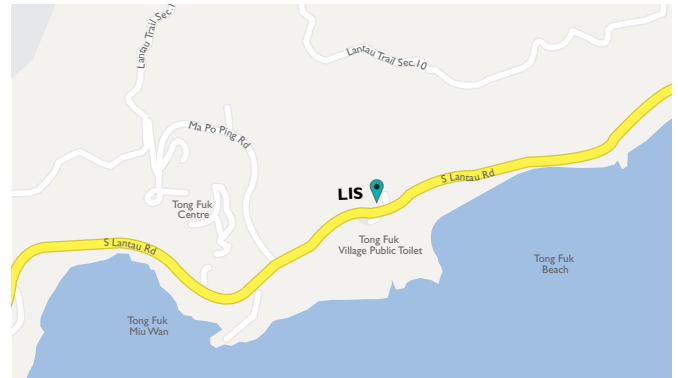
About JIS

Curriculum: IB

Adopted IB PYP curriculum in June 2007 with teaching moving from theme-based to inquiry-based approach. Music, art, drama and PE. Choice of additional Mandarin or Japanese.



Lantau International School (LIS)



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School Fees

Application Fee	HK\$880
Yearly Tuition Fee	HK\$63,500
Capital Contribution Fund (refundable)	HK\$4,000

About LIS

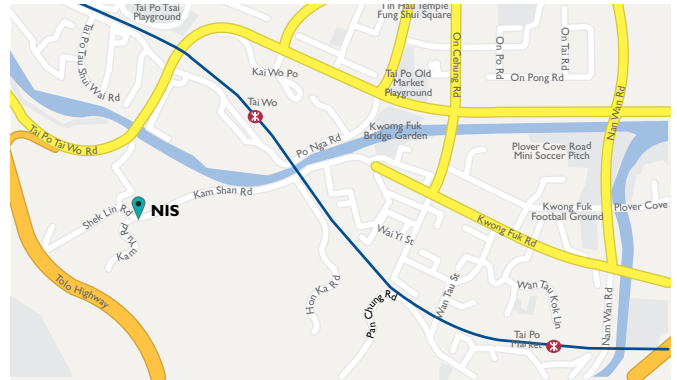
Curriculum: British

Adapted to suit the school's surroundings such as local history, local geography and the traditional culture of Hong Kong.

Norwegian International School (NIS)



Norwegian International School
A Member of Generations Christian Education



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About NIS

Curriculum: International Primary Curriculum

NIS is an English-speaking international school located in Tai Po. It has a multicultural student body and faculty with small class sizes emphasizing individual attention and creating a family atmosphere. Currently offering classes from Kindergarten to Grade 6.

School Fees

KI - 2 (half day)	HK\$50,700
Grade 1 –6	HK\$81,600
Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$900
Annual Capital Levy	
KI - 2 (half day) per annum	HK\$3,500
Grade 1 - 6 per annum	HK\$9,600



Yew Chung Hong Kong International School (YCIS)



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About YCIS

Curriculum: IGCSE & IB

Founded in 1932, Yew Chung has been providing bilingual education to the learners of Hong Kong for 80 years. Originally specialising in Early Childhood Education, Yew Chung International School (YCIS) now provides education from early childhood through primary and secondary culminating in the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) and International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme. YCIS has expanded beyond Hong Kong, and is now established in Shanghai, Beijing, Chongqing, Qingdao in China and Silicon Valley in the United States, with a total enrolment of over 6,000 students.

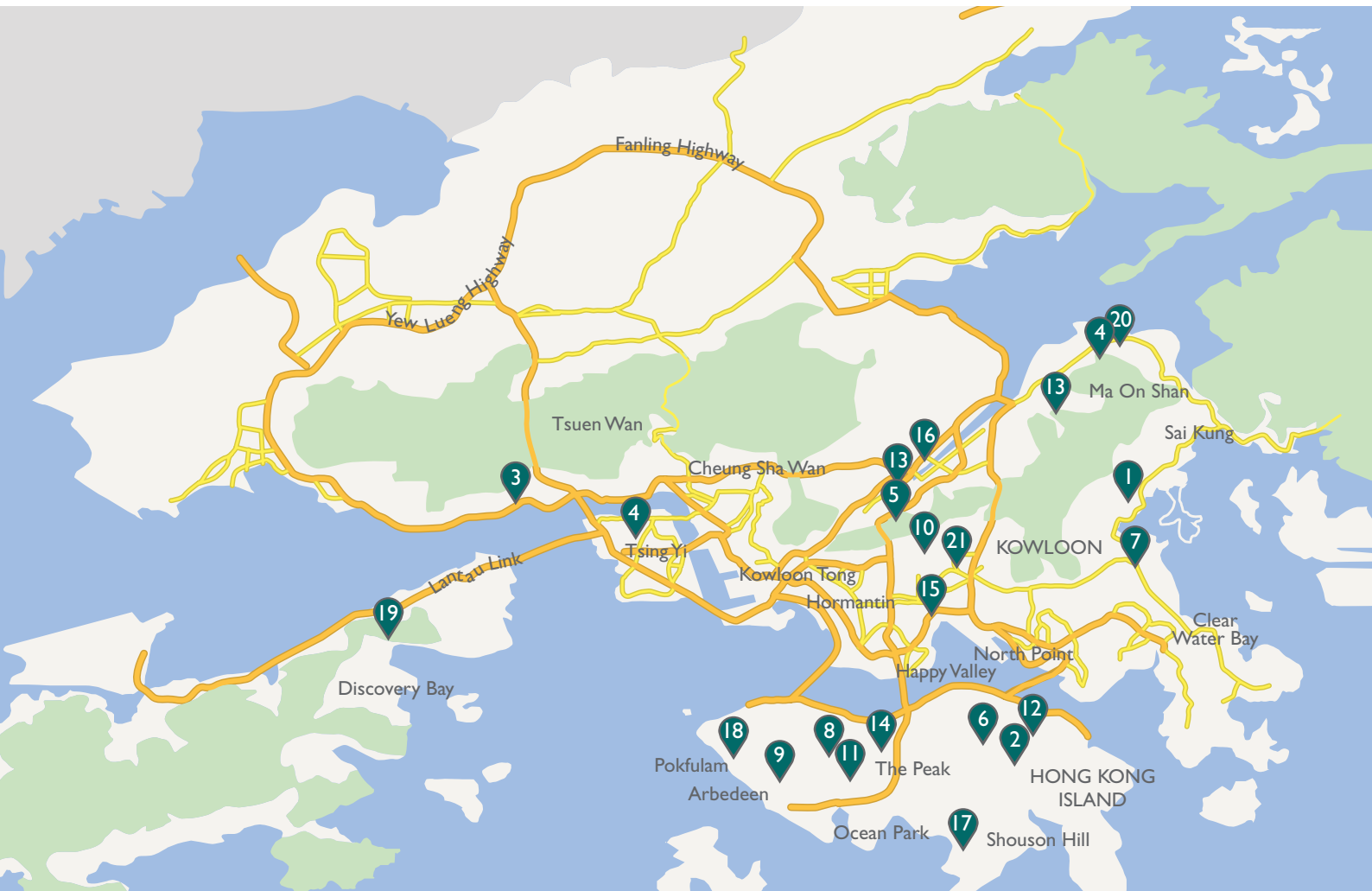


School Fees

Primary Section	HK\$158,580
Secondary Section Year 7 - 11	HK\$154,390
Pre IB	HK\$157,920
Secondary Section Year 12 & 13	HK\$148,280
Application Fee for Primary and Secondary admission (non-refundable)	HK\$1,000
Debenture	
Mandatory for all secondary students - non interest bearing refundable	
First child	HK\$200,000
Second children	HK\$100,000
Third and onward	HK\$50,000



ESF Schools



Kindergarten Schools

- 1. ESF Abacus International Kindergarten
- 2. ESF International Kindergarten (Hillside)
- 3. ESF International Kindergarten (Wu Kai Sha)
- 4. Tsing Yi International Kindergarten

Primary Schools

- 5. Beacon Hill School
- 6. Bradbury School
- 7. Clearwater Bay School
- 8. Glenealy School
- 9. Kennedy School
- 10. Kowloon Junior School
- 11. Peak School
- 12. Quarry Bay School
- 13. Sha Tin Junior School

Secondary Schools

- 14. Island School
- 15. King George V School
- 16. Sha Tin College
- 17. South Island School
- 18. West Island School

Private Independent Schools

- 19. Discovery College
- 20. Renaissance College

Special Needs School

- 21. Jockey Club Sarah Roe School



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The English Schools Foundation (ESF) was established by the Hong Kong government in 1967. ESF currently operates five secondary schools, nine primary schools and a school for students with special educational needs across Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the New Territories. Two "all through" Private Independent Schools (PIS) and four kindergartens are operated by ESF's affiliated company, ESF Educational Services Limited (ESL), which also offers English language classes and sports activities.

Curriculum: IB and partly British National

The primary schools follow the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO)'s Primary Years Programme (PYP). At secondary level, ESF continue with a subject-based curriculum in Years 7 to 9, and then offer GCSE and IGCSE courses in ESF schools, whereas in the two private independent schools, the IBO's Middle Years Programme (MYP) is offered. At post-16 the majority of students are required to go on to study the IB Diploma Program and, in recent years, more students follow the applied learning pathway to achieve the Business and Technology Education Council (BTEC) qualifications. The kindergartens, which are operated by ESL, offer an English language education for children aged 3 to 5 years. The kindergartens are candidate schools for the Primary Years Programme.

School Fees (paid over 10 months)

Kindergarten	HK\$5,430
Primary Division	HK\$66,100
Secondary (Y7-11)	HK\$98,000
Secondary (Y12 & 13)	HK\$102,000
Application Fee (non-refundable)	
Kindergarten	HK\$300
Primary & Secondary School	HK\$2000
Refundable capital levy	
First child	HK\$25,000
Second and onward children	HK\$10,000
Debentures	
Individual Nomination Rights	HK\$500,000
Corporate Nominations	(Please contact ESF Headquarters)



Independent ESF schools:**Discovery College**

Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$800
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Deposit:

Upon offer of a place there is a two month deposit of HK\$16,640 for Primary, HK\$22,260 for Secondary (Year 7-11) and HK\$22,500 for Secondary (Year 12). The first half of the deposit is offset against the first month's fees while the remaining half will be credited against the fees for the last month of enrolment, subject to a two-month advance notice of withdrawal in writing. The two-month deposit is non-refundable if the school place is not subsequently taken up.

Tuition Fees:

For Primary students (Years 1-6)	HK\$89,500 per annum
For Secondary students (Years 7-11)	HK\$119,700 per annum
For Secondary students (Year 12)	HK\$121,000 per annum

Nomination Rights:

HK\$400,000 levy, non-refundable, guarantees priority on the waiting list and a place subject to interview.

Non-refundable Building Levy:

HK\$5,900, This NBL is paid by all students, with the exception of those exempt under the Nomination Rights scheme. (applied for prior to 23 February 2012)

Renaissance College

Application Fee (non-refundable)	HK\$800
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Deposit:

The College requires a two month deposit when students are offered a place. This deposit for 2013-14 school year is HK\$17,360 for Primary Year Programme, HK\$23,220 for Secondary Year Programme and HK\$23,480 for Diploma Programme.

Tuition Fees:

For Primary students (Years 1-6)	HK\$86,800 per annum
For Secondary students (Years 7-11)	HK\$116,100 per annum
For Secondary students (Year 12 & 13)	HK\$117,400 per annum

Non-refundable Building Levy:

Beginning with 2013-14 school year, the non-refundable building levy payable by all new incoming Year One students will be \$50,000. New students entering Year Two to Year Twelve in 2013-14 academic year will be required to pay a prorated contribution.

Nomination rights	HK\$400,000
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School visits – FAQ

A visit to the schools you have shortlisted will certainly contribute to your decision-making process as seeing classes, students and teachers in a normal day setting will give you a sense of the atmosphere and give you a clue as to whether the school is a right fit for your child.

School visits are normally fairly informal; the suggested attire is neat and smart-casual. Make sure you wear some comfortable shoes as there will often be a lot of walking up and down flights of stairs.

Key Questions to Ask

Daily routine

- What is the student - teacher ratio?
- Are there any educational assistants in class?
- What is the amount of Mandarin (Putonghua) taught per week?
- Do they offer any extra curricular activities and how frequently?
- How do most children travel to school? Can the school provide school bus information?
- What are the normal school hours?
- What is the amount of homework and assessment per term?
- Where do majority of the students come from?

Academic indicators

- What are the past academic results of public examinations?
- Ask for a list of universities that graduating students will be attending.
- Where do the teachers come from and how does the school select their teachers?
- Is the school accredited by a national or international organization? (e.g. WASC, OFSTED)

Parents' involvement

- What type of parents' involvement takes place in the school?
- Do they run a Parent Teacher Association (PTA)?

Observation during the visit

- How are the school amenities / facilities maintained? Do they look safe for students to utilize?
- The interaction between teachers and students
- Are the students happy?
- Are the artworks and samples of children's work being displayed appropriate for the year group you are applying to?

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