

Admissions Policy

Our Philosophy

The International School of Toulouse is a private fee paying co-educational day school which was created to provide a high quality, cost effective international education in English for students from a variety of backgrounds which helps to facilitate the global mobility of families. Priority will always be given to students of parents from the sponsoring company, Airbus.

Introduction

The School offers places to all students for whom it has the resources and for whom the fees are paid. Academic selection only takes place for entry to the IB Diploma programme. However the School will not knowingly give a place to any student who we consider it beyond our capacity to support.

Entry conditions

Students are placed in a year group according to their age on September 1st of their year of entry.

In the Primary School only under exceptional circumstances will a student be placed in a different grade than his/her age group. The decision will ultimately reside with the Principal, in consultation with the Head of Primary.

Students are accepted into Pre-Kindergarten (PK) at the beginning of the month following their 3rd birthday. Children move into Kindergarten 3 (K3) in the academic year in which they will be aged 6 years old.

The School will accept students for whom English is not their first language. However, in Grades 9-12 students need to demonstrate that they have a level of English that will allow them to fully access the academic programmes in place.

Academic requirements for admission to the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Requirements for students enrolled in Grade 10 at the International School of Toulouse

To enter the IB Diploma Programme in Grade 11 students are required to have obtained a minimum of 5 (I)GCSE qualifications at grade C or above and at least B grades in the subjects they intend to study at higher level. To enter the IB Diploma Programme in Grade 11 students must also have an excellent attendance record, of at least 90%, from September to March of Grade 10.

Requirements for students applying from other schools

Applications from students coming from other educational systems will be considered on an individual basis. Those applying from schools offering (I)GCSE courses are required to fulfil the same criteria as listed above for current IST students. Applicants may be required to sit subject tests, particularly for potential higher level subjects, and attend interviews if deemed appropriate. All students will be expected to have achieved a standard that will enable them to be successful in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

IB Course

Students who do not meet the requirements for the full Diploma may apply to enter Grade 11 to study for the IB Course. Students must study a minimum of 5 subjects for IB Course although it is not a requirement that any of these be at higher level. All IB Course students are required to complete CAS and TOK classes. (Further information can be found in the IST IB Handbook.)

Special Educational Needs

The School will admit students with identified Special Educational Needs according to the Primary and Secondary Student Support Policies. The School will require a copy of all existing documentation and assessments and may require additional testing to be made. An offer of a place will only be made following receipt of all necessary documentation. Special educational programmes can be organised providing the school has the resources to deliver them. The School management exercises the right to refuse admission to a student if it thinks that the IST cannot provide the education or resources that the student needs.

Applications for admission

Application for a place at IST should be made through the School's Personnel and Student Information Manager (PSIM). The following forms are available on the School website (www.intst.eu) and should be completed and returned to the PSIM:

- Registration Form
- Academic reports for the last academic year
- School Recommendation Form (to be completed and submitted by current school)
- BCG (TB), Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio vaccination certificates.

Where possible the PSIM makes arrangements for the potential student and parents to visit the school. The programme available for the particular student is explained by the PSIM and any questions are answered. Where appropriate the Head of School or nominated staff may be involved in the visit or questions process. Once the parents have made a firm application including the payment of the registration fee an offer of a place will be made in writing by the Principal.

Following acceptance of the place the PSIM will make the necessary admission arrangements.

Fees

A registration fee is payable on application for a place. This fee is only refunded in the case where the school cannot offer a place. Registration is not required on an annual basis. All other fees will be invoiced as appropriate.

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