



The first school in the United Arab Emirates to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma...



providing a rigorous college preparatory U.S. diploma curriculum...



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**American
International
School in
ABU DHABI
CELEBRATING 25 YEARS!**

2019-2020 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

The American International School in Abu Dhabi (AISA) was founded in 1995 to serve the educational needs of local and expatriate students of Abu Dhabi and is administered by Educational Services Overseas Limited (ESOL). AISA currently enrolls approximately 1400 students K-12 with 110 in the class of 2020. As the first school in the UAE to adopt the IB curriculum, AISA has continued to set the precedent for blending cultures, curriculum, and creativity. The high school student body is comprised of students from 72 nationalities, the largest representation being Emirati, at 35%. 14% of students hold US passports. In accordance with local culture, AISA is one of the few international schools with a gender-segregated campus. AISA is accredited by the Council of International Schools and Middle States Association of College and Schools.

ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

AISA offers a U.S. college preparatory curriculum grades 9-12. In grade 10, all students take a rigorous curriculum noted as "IBP (Prep)" on the high school transcript and class of 2020 IBP is weighted. At the end of the IBP year, students either choose to pursue the full IB diploma or continue with the U.S. diploma. IB certificates are not an option at AISA in accordance with ADEK regulation, so all IBDP students pursue the full diploma and DP courses are weighted. Students graduating with the U.S. diploma only, while college preparatory, do not at this time have the option for AP or honors courses; these GPAs are therefore not weighted. To remain competitive for university admissions, our U.S. diploma graduates are encouraged to submit SAT/ACT and SAT subject test scores.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA

Students who complete the IB Program will be awarded an AISA high school diploma. IBDP course offerings and course descriptions are found at www.aisa.sch.ae



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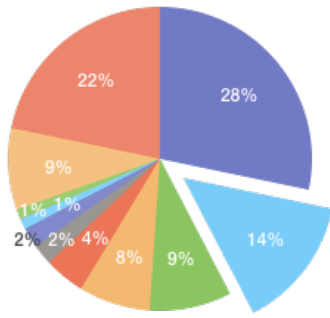
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CELEBRATING 25 YEARS IN 2020

AISA boasts a rich history in Abu Dhabi, and prides itself on a welcoming international environment. Celebrating its 25th anniversary this year and under new Directorship, AISA is undergoing renovations and fresh upgrades, continuously attracting excellent staff and engaged students.



CLASS OF 2019 UNIVERSITY DESTINATION BY COUNTRY

SAT
Class of 2019
SAT: 1064 Mean
ERW 532 MATH 533
Mean USA: 1060



Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year, all high school students will engage actively in a daily course called "Community Time" where club participation, leadership and character development are highlighted and reinforced.

Pictured: AISA students on a leadership trip to Baltimore, MD.

DISCLOSURE POLICY

Students and counselors will disclose all suspensions and/or expulsions, as required or if asked by the application and/or institution. If a significant disciplinary issue occurs after applications are submitted, the counselor will notify universities.

RANKING AND GRADING

AISA ranks only the top two students in both IB and US diploma programs. These Valedictorians and Salutatorians must have attended grades 11 & 12 at AISA. No other rankings are reported. The high school cumulative GPA (grades 9-12) includes only courses taken at AISA and use the traditional 4.0 scale. IB courses are weighted +1.00 while IBP courses are weighted +.50

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

Academic Honors- 3.6 + and High Honors- 3.8 + Both are cumulative grades 9-12. Class of 2019 highest IBDP GPA was 4.48 and U.S. diploma highest GPA was 3.83.

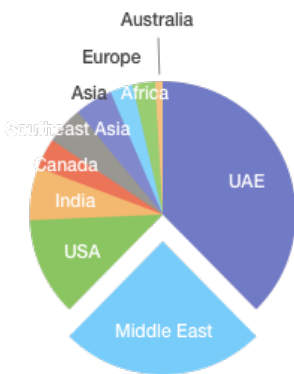
ENGAGEMENT

Students participate in 9 competitive sports: soccer, basketball, track/field, badminton, volleyball, tennis, golf, swimming & softball. There are numerous clubs available including MUN, drama club, arts, student council, and yearbook. Students are encouraged to innovate club ideas and to lead them.

UNIVERSITY DOCUMENTS

Letters of recommendation are confidential documents. Official transcripts are sent directly from AISA to higher education institution. Official documents are not released to 3rd parties.

CLASS OF 2020 NATIONALITY



COURSE PROSPECTUS

To understand the sequence of available courses by grade level and cohort, AISA publishes an annual course prospectus at aisa.sch.ae

GRADING SCALE- CLASS OF 2020

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Course	Required Credits
English	4
Math	3
Science	3
Social Studies	4
World Language	2
*Electives	8
	24
**Islamic Studies	4
***Arabic Language	4

SBG Conversion Scale Class of 2020

SBG	%Range	HSD GPA	IBP-10	IB Grade	IB GPA
E	96-100	4.00	4.5	7	5.00
P+	91-95	3.80	4.3	6	4.33
P	86-90	3.50	4.0	5	3.66
P-	81-85	3.00	3.5	4	3.00
G+	76-80	2.80	3.2	3	2.50
G	71-75	2.50	3.0	2	2.00
G-	66-70	2.00	2.5	1	0.00
BN+	61-65	1.50	2.0		
BN	57-60	1.00	1.5		
Y	0-56	0.00	0.0		

*.5 of Writing and .5 of Technology are required as priority electives if available.

Muslims students must take 4 years of Islamic Studies. *Some students must take 4 years of Arabic Language.