

SHARJAH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
DUBAI CAMPUS



School Guide

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About SAIS-Dubai

SAIS-Dubai is an international school located in Dubai, UAE with English as the language of instruction. The school offers a rich American Curriculum which is based on internationally recognized American Education Standards, including CCSS for English and Math, and NGSS standards for Science. The school models the California State Education Framework.

SAIS-Dubai is fully accredited by NEASC and Cognia.





SHARJAH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Sharjah | Dubai | Umm Al Quwain | Abu Dhabi

VISION

To be a prime education provider that contributes to the holistic development and wellbeing of learners in a vibrant and inclusive environment and is committed to providing academic excellence, pioneering in innovation and technology in education, and effectively contributes to a sustainable future.



MISSION



SAIS strives for excellence and innovation in education; provides a safe, dynamic, and inclusive learning environment; and meets the unique and diverse individual needs of the students to optimize their wellbeing and nurture their moral, intellectual, social, emotional, and physical development. SAIS aims to build confident, independent, well-rounded, and productive citizens and future leaders who possess creative and innovative minds, and value integrity, tolerance, respect, and openness to differences among people, cultures, and perspectives.

VALUES



TOLERANCE



EQUITY



GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP



INNOVATION



INTEGRITY

Empowering Education with Inspiration, Innovation, and Technology

Admissions

Registration

Registration inquiries can be sent to admissions@saisdubai.com.

Once you submit an inquiry, our Registration Team will reach out to you regarding the required documents and next steps for application submission. To submit an application, a non-refundable application fee must be paid and all required documents must be submitted to the Registration Department. The student(s) will sit for an entrance exam, which will be arranged with the Registration Department.

Registration and Accounts Office Hours

Parents are welcome to obtain further information about SAISD by contacting the Registration and/or Accounts Departments via the school contact number mentioned below. The Registration and Accounts Departments are available at school from Sunday to Thursday from 7:30am to 3:30pm. School tours can be arranged by contacting our Admissions Team.

School Contact Number: 04 280 1111

School Timing

The school timing for Grades 1-12 is from 8:00AM to 2:25PM everyday from Sunday to Thursday. There are 6 teaching periods every day and the length of each period is 50 minutes. There is one break per day, as well as a five-minute transition time between periods, during which students prepare for the next period.

KG students attend from 8:00am to 1:15pm.

Transportation

SAISD provides school transportation for students. Registration on the school bus is subject to availability. Should you wish to register your child for the bus services, please inform the Registration Department at the time of registration, in order to coordinate with the Transport Department.

School Fees

MANDATORY				ADDITIONAL										Total with Uniforms 1 set reg/ 1 set PE + VAT	Total with Uniforms 2 set reg/ 1 set PE + VAT
Grade	Fees	Books	Uniforms 1 set reg/ 1 set PE	Uniforms 2 set reg/ 1 set PE	Stationery + VAT	Medical + VAT	Skill Development Programs + VAT	Enrichment Activities + VAT	Learning Support Assistants + VAT	Standardized and Benchmark Tests + VAT	STEM - Innovation Lab + VAT	Robotic Device + VAT	Grad Fee + VAT		
KG1	17,563	1,002	483	725	184.50	262.50		105	1,050					20,650	20,892
KG2	20,072	1,192	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050				525.00	24,136	24,378
Grade 1	21,325	1,317	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	130.00				25,119	25,361
Grade 2	22,580	1,726	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	210.00				26,863	27,105
Grade 3	23,836	1,850	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	385.00	1,050	1,050		30,518	30,760
Grade 4	25,088	1,975	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	290.00	1,050	1,050		31,800	32,042
Grade 5	26,344	2,132	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	385.00	1,050	1,050		33,308	33,550
Grade 6	27,597	2,257	483	725	184.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	290.00	1,050	1,050		34,591	34,833
Grade 7	28,851	2,447	600	900	210.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	385.00	1,050	1,050		36,273	36,573
Grade 8	30,107	2,508	600	900	210.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	375.00	1,050	1,050		37,580	37,880
Grade 9	31,362	2,759	600	900	210.00	262.50	262.50	105	1,050	470.00				37,081	37,381
Grade 10	35,124	2,667	600	900	236.25	262.50	525.00	105	1,050	250.00				40,820	41,120
Grade 11	40,143	2,697	600	900	236.25	262.50	525.00	105	1,050	195.00				45,814	46,114
Grade 12	43,906	2,697	600	900	236.25	262.50	525.00	105	1,050	78.75			787.50	50,248	50,548
Transportation			2 Ways	1 Way	NOTE: ALL FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE. ***Dhs262.50 Admission Fee/Entrance Exam Fee for all new students ***Additional Dhs80.00 for New Students in Grades 4-6-8-10 - CAT4 Test										
Warqa 1/2/3			5,130	3,705											
Warqa 4/Mirdiff / Khwaneoj			6,269	4,559											
Mizhar/Muhaisnah/Ghusais / International City/Rashidiya/Nad Al Hamar			7,409	5,414											
Bur Dubai/Karama/Jumeirah / Shaik Zayed Rd/AI Wasfi Satwa/Zabeel/Jaliliya/Nad AI Sheba/Meydan			9,119	6,840											
Deira/Abu Hail/Hor AI Anzi Garhoud/Festival City/Silicon Oasis/Ras AI Khor			7,978	5,985											
AI Barsha/The Villa/Skycourt/Falcon City			9,688	7,124											
Sharjah- Sahara Ctr/ Buhaira/AI Tawoon/AI Qasba/AI Khan/Jamal Abdel Nasar/AI Nahda/King Faisal/Faya/Samman/AI Riqqa (Shj Emirate)			8,548	6,269											
Sharjah Airport/University City Area			9,119	6,840											

Effective as of 2024-2025

Discount Policy

Sibling Discount

SAISD offers a sibling discount of 10% off tuition fees for any subsequent sibling registrations after the eldest child during the same academic year. The sibling discount of 10% is applicable to tuition fees only, and excludes books, uniforms, and any other additional fees.

Emirates Airlines/FlyDubai

15% discount for all children on tuition fees only. Parents must present their employee ID card, which must be valid for the current academic year. Discounts are available exclusively for immediate family members.

Dubai Police

15% discount for all children on tuition fees only. Parents must present their employee ID card, which must be valid for the current academic year. Discounts are available exclusively for immediate family members.

DEWA

15% discount for all children on tuition fees only. Parents must present their employee ID card, which must be valid for the current academic year. Discounts are available exclusively for immediate family members.

Important Note: Discounts cannot be combined. Only one discount can be granted.

Academics

Curriculum

The American curriculum followed at Sharjah American International School Dubai is based on high standards of achievement in all subject areas. Our diverse, broad and balanced approach to teaching and learning is supported by a wide range of curricular opportunities. The K12 course of study is developed to equip all students with the skills needed for the 21st century.

As an American curriculum school student entry begins in Kindergarten at age 4. Our students progress through to Grade 12, where they are awarded a Diploma upon the complete of all graduation requirements. The awarded Diploma is accepted for entrance by all UAE universities and colleges and is recognized by other universities around the world.

Subjects Taught in Arabic

All Arab Nationals are required to take Arabic-A. Non-Arab Nationals must take Arabic as a Foreign Language (Arabic-B). From Grade 10 onwards, Non-Arab Nationals may choose to take French instead, against their World Language Credits.

Students in Grade 1 to 9 are taught the UAE Ministry Curriculum for UAE Social Studies.

Islamic Education is a requirement and is taught in Arabic from KG to Grade 12 to all Arab-Muslim students. Muslim students that are Non-Arab Nationals take Islamic Education in English.

At SAIS we provide our non-Muslim students courses in IT. Test Out is the leader in online labs for academia and IT professionals. Lab Sim provides students with a broad range of hands-on experience in a safe, simulated environment. The courses provide students the opportunity to acquire the skills they need to progress in their education and careers. Upon the completion of Test Out courses, students are provided the opportunity to earn certifications. Test Out Pro certifications measure their ability to perform real-world IT tasks, the certification strengthens students' transcripts and differentiates them from others. These certifications demonstrate the students' commitment to learning and mastering new skills.

AP Courses



AP Courses

Advanced Placement (AP) is a program run by College Board that allows High School students to take courses that can earn them college credits and/or qualify them for more advanced classes when they begin their university studies. The AP program enables students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school. AP courses are weighted courses (1.25) provided the student achieves the qualifying scores on the respective College Board Exam.

AP classes are optional courses. All students registered for AP courses must sit for the College Board AP exam and bear the cost of the required resources and exam.

SAISD offers the following AP Courses:

- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics 2
- AP Physics C1
- AP Physics C2
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Statistics
- AP Psychology
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition

AP Classes are subject to student enrollment in each course. Students can enroll in any AP exam through our school's testing center.

Taking AP courses demonstrates to college admission officers that students have sought out the most rigorous course work available to them. AP Exams are an essential part of the AP experience, enabling students to demonstrate their mastery of college-level course work. Universities in more than 60 countries recognize AP Exam scores in the admission process and/or award credit and placement for qualifying scores.

Events and Activities

Extracurricular Activities and Celebrations



SCHOOL TRIPS



OVERSEAS TRIPS



**AFTER-SCHOOL
ACTIVITIES**



NATIONAL DAY



**INTERNATIONAL
DAY**



SPORTS DAY



SCIENCE FAIR



ART EXHIBITION



**GRADUATION
CEREMONIES**



**ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL
CONCERTS AND
ASSEMBLIES**

Events and Activities

Extracurricular Activities and Celebrations



TALENT SHOWS



**INTERSCHOOL
COMPETITIONS**



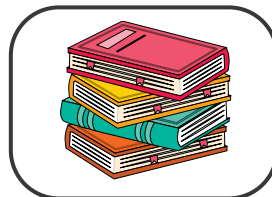
MATH EXHIBITION



MUN AND MC



**HEALTH
AWARENESS DAYS**



BOOK FAIR



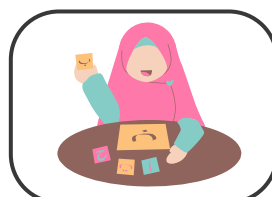
BUSINESS FAIR



CAREER DAY



ARABIC DAY



ISLAMIC DAY

The dates of the above events are subject to change from year to year. All scheduled events are mentioned in the School Operational Calendar.

Graduation Requirements

Sharjah American International School Dubai

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2024 - 2025

Counseling Team

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Graduation requirements must be fulfilled throughout high school, namely Grades 9-12, in order for students to obtain their American High School Diploma upon graduation. SAISD is accredited by NEASC and Cognia.

Requirements Checklist



CREDITS: Minimum of 26 Credits



IELTS: 6.5 or **TOEFL iBT:** 80 or
EmSAT English: 1100



SAT: Minimum of 900.
430 in English. 470 in Math



VOLUNTEER HOURS: 70 hours
from grades 9-12



GRADUATION PROJECT:
Pass Mark

	CREDIT PER COURSE
4	SCIENCE
4	MATH
4	ENGLISH
4	ARABIC
4.5	ELECTIVES
0.5	VISUAL & ARTS
2	SOCIAL STUDIES
2	PHYSICAL ED.
2	ISLAMIC ED.

IMPORTANT NOTES

The IELTS/TOEFL/EmSAT English **might** be a requirement for universities in the UAE and MOE equivalency purposes.

Graduation requirements are based on MOE/KHDA requirements. All students must take Moral Education throughout high school; the course is a zero (0) credit course.

Science credits must include Biology, Chemistry and Physics. A minimum of two credits of Arabic are required for Non-Arab Passport Holders. Islamic is a requirement for Muslim students; an alternative will be offered for non-Muslim students.

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