



THE AMERICAN SCHOOL IN ENGLAND



an **International
Education**
in the Heart of
England

Excellence in International Education since 1976 • International Baccalaureate Diploma
Coeducational Day (3-18) and Boarding (14-18) • 40+ Nationalities
Acceptance at top universities worldwide





‘Welcome to our international community’

Each year, we celebrate the many cultures of the world represented by our student population—typically made up of 40 to 50 nationalities.

We educate individuals

The atmosphere of respect on our Thorpe campus is central to the TASIS experience. Small classes allow teachers to work closely with each child. Outside the classroom, teachers are also coaches, club facilitators, and advisors, which creates a supportive and friendly relationship between faculty and students. Our teachers understand the complex needs of young people and help them to discover and develop their individual talents, while providing academic challenge to promote intellectual growth.

A balanced education provides the essential extras

While academic challenge is at the core of our program, sports, activities, community service opportunities, and travel are considered an essential part of each student's life at TASIS. Specialists teach music, drama, art, and physical education during the school day, and students learn to help others through community service projects.

Older students may take part in leadership programs that foster teambuilding and independent thinking, including: student government, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Model United Nations, and the TASIS Peer Helper and Prefect programs.

Trips and travel for a complete and exciting learning experience

We take full advantage of our proximity to London, mainland Europe, and sites of major historic and cultural importance. Frequent trips complement classroom lessons throughout the year. Whether the destination is the battleground of Hastings, a Shakespeare performance at the Globe Theatre, Cambridge, Oxford, or even the Louvre in Paris, the many trips students enjoy throughout the year enrich their education and their understanding of the world.

Continual assessment for optimal learning

We believe that children learn best through continual assessment and by receiving frequent feedback on their work. Our students learn effective study skills and habits that help them throughout every stage of their education, both at TASIS and

beyond. In grades 7 through 12 (ages 13–18), students take cumulative tests and final exams to assess their progress.

One-to-one College Counseling opens up a world of possibilities

TASIS England College Counselors work closely with students in their final two years. During individual college counseling sessions and by offering expertise and guidance, they help students gain acceptance to universities in the UK, US, and worldwide.

The charm of an English village with modern facilities

Beautifully preserved buildings and gardens offer inspiration throughout the year. On the TASIS campus, historical facades partner with modern technology. Wi-fi covers the entire campus, and our libraries, computer laboratories, language laboratory, and classroom equipment allow children to learn with state-of-the-art technology. A 350-seat theatre, a sports complex with a fully equipped fitness center, tennis courts, playgrounds, and well tended gardens reflect our founder's vision of educating children in an atmosphere of elegance and beauty.

Upper School

Grades 9–12, ages 14–18

Offering choice and breadth for a balanced education

International Baccalaureate Diploma

Accepted by universities worldwide

An academically challenging program with final examinations, which are marked externally by the IBO. Students study six subjects, write an extended essay, follow a course in the Theory of Knowledge, and fulfill requirements in Creativity, Action, and Service outside of the classroom.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses

A pathway to UK and US universities

One-year, university-level courses that offer rigorous, in-depth study. Qualified TASIS students may choose from over 20 AP courses. The final exam is externally marked, and many American universities award students course credit for exam scores of 4 or 5.

High School Diploma

At TASIS, this balanced and challenging course of study equips students to be successful at colleges and universities in the United States.

International Section Diploma and English-as-a-Second Language (ESL)

Students entering ESL classes are placed in International Section courses, and are candidates for the International Section Diploma. The ESL program is designed to help students learn English quickly and to ensure that non-native English speakers make suitable progress in other academic subjects. The goal of the program is for non-native English speakers to achieve the level of fluency necessary to join regular academic classes as soon as possible.

Middle School

Grades 5–8, ages 10–13

Building confidence and friendships for personal and academic success

Our teachers strive to engage both the mind and the body, knowing that during these transitional years, middle school students need patience and guidance as they change and grow beyond childhood. As in many British schools, students participate in a house system with friendly competitions and community activities.

Daily courses

English

History & Geography

French or Spanish

Mathematics

Science

Twice weekly

Art, Music or Drama, Physical Education

Additional subjects

Technology, Health, and options such as Photography, Journalism, Yearbook, and Latin

Lower School

Nursery–Grade 4, ages 3–9

Fostering adventure, creativity, and curiosity

The Lower School at TASIS is not only an exciting place to learn and grow, but a happy one as well. The curriculum is based on the Core Knowledge Sequence, a systematic and content-rich program that engages each child's natural desire to learn. Specialist classes in music, art, physical education, and library skills, as well as many social and cultural activities and field trips are important features of the program.

Through an additional program, students in the Lower and Middle Schools who require ESL support receive the tutoring and support necessary for them to succeed in their regular classes.





WHAT PEOPLE SAY

“Together with our 13-year old daughter, we chose TESIS when we moved to the UK. Our decision was based on the academic excellence and the inspiring atmosphere of TESIS. TESIS, with an American school curriculum, offers an international perspective to its students with the IB Diploma programme. That made TESIS our first choice for schooling in the London area. After one year at TESIS, our expectations have been met and our daughter is happy.

Mrs. S. Bomhard, Germany

Our family has had a wonderful experience living in England over the past seven years, and a great part of that is due to TESIS. My kids have experienced going through the Lower, Middle and Upper Schools, and it was good to see the progression from a small, cozy, nurturing Lower School to a larger, diverse, truly international Upper School with challenging academics and a curriculum broader in scope. TESIS is able to offer different paths for my children who are very different. My daughter is doing the full International Baccalaureate Diploma, while my son will take APs. I find TESIS students to be well behaved and a fascinating collision of cultures. Both my children have developed friendships with boarding students who come from Russia, Spain, Armenia, Korea, The Netherlands, and

to whom we offer a home any time we can. At TESIS, we have found a supportive community that is aware of the challenges facing expats and willing to help.

Mrs. J. Aguais, Peru/United States

From the start, my son was treated with dignity and respect. Educators were concerned about his wellbeing and progress and provided an “open door” for help and communication. They really made an effort to create a welcoming atmosphere for the newcomers. Our son adapted very quickly to the new environment and curriculum, and we are so grateful for TESIS who made this transformation so much easier. It is a great honour for him to be a student at TESIS.

Mrs. R. Bellingham, South Africa

Coming here you can feel the enthusiasm for learning. Whether your child is academic or creative, you can find a place. We felt TESIS could offer something for both our children.

Mrs. S. Sullivan, Ireland

With all the support and guidance I received, TESIS has made many of my dreams come true—one of which is studying in the UK at one of the top institutions. Without the assistance received from TESIS, which is incomparable

to any other support that other schools offer, I doubt that this specific dream would have come true.

I am an analyst with the HSBC Global Banking (London) investment banking division, and many aspects of my TESIS education contributed to my ability to perform well within the industry. This includes approaching analytical and practical problems in well-structured methods, working with a group of people from diversified backgrounds, and managing to work well under pressure.

I will always look back at my TESIS days and thank the moment that I decided to join it, as it has provided me with various golden opportunities that I could have never been provided with through joining any other school.

Chawki Karam, TESIS England alumnus

We look forward to hearing from you! For more information about TESIS England, or to make an appointment to tour our campus and to speak with an Admissions Officer, please contact: ukadmissions@tasisengland.org
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