

Oasis International School

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School Profile 2023-2024

Director: Karl Nielsen Business Manager: Jim Woo High School Principal: Ryan Stauffer Middle School Principal: Pete Simano Elementary Principal: Shamala Boice



Oasis International School was established in 2004 to provide a high-quality education to international students living in Ankara.

This year Oasis has approximately 435 students from 79 countries. Oasis is part of a global network of schools with affiliate schools in Europe, the Middle East, Asia, North America, South America and Africa.

Language of instruction: English only

Grade levels: Pre-Kindergarten (age 4) through 12th grade. Oasis class sizes (Grades 1-12) are 15-25 students.

Curricula: Oasis uses an American curriculum aligned with Common Core and American Education Reaches Out (AERO). Students graduate from Grade 12 with an American high school diploma.

Accreditation: We are fully accredited by the Middle States Association Colleges and Schools (MSACS) (now known as Middle States Association of Elementary and Secondary Schools) and are fully approved by the Turkish Ministry of Education. Oasis employs certified teachers, mostly by US states or organizations in the US.

Grading scale: 4.0 grading scale (unweighted) in alignment with the College Board. Honors classes are weighted on a 4.5 grading scale, and AP courses are weighted on a 5.0 grading scale. A student's GPA is calculated from grades 9-12 and does not include courses taken at other schools.

Standardized Testing: Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests are given to students in grades K-12 in the fall and spring. We also use WIDA Consortium tests to assess our English-language learners.

School Calendar: The Oasis school year is August 29, 2023, to June 13, 2024, approximately 180 days divided into 4 quarters/2 semesters. Students attend seven 45-minute class periods every day. Classes begin at 8:30am and end at 3:00pm, Monday through Friday.

Extra Curricular Activities: These vary year by year and may include an Art Club, Arabic Club, Spanish Club, Bible Club, Choir, Musical Instrument Lessons, Game Club, Sports Club, Drama Club, Creative Writing Club, Film Club, Library Club, Student Council, Self-Defense Club, Swimming Club, Step/Dance Club, Jump Rope Club, Volleyball, Basketball, and Soccer. Some of our classes and teams travel on overnight field trips within Turkey. **Graduation Requirements:** To earn a diploma, each student must complete 24 credits of course work in the subjects listed below. These credits must be earned from grades 9-12 (one Algebra credit can be earned in 7th or 8th grade). Students transferring from other schools must present transcripts to receive up to 7 credits per year for courses previously taken. Students may earn an Honors Diploma (3.20+ GPA), High Honors Diploma (3.50+ GPA) or Highest Honors Diploma (3.80+ GPA, completing 27 credits, passing an AP exam, enrolled at Oasis at least 2 years, and earning the Aslan Service Award at least two times including senior year [service learning]).

Subject	Credits Required	Grading Scale	Percentage	GPA	Honors	AP
English	4	A+	97-100%	4.0	4.5	5.0
Mathematics	3 or 4	А	93-96%	4.0	4.5	5.0
Science	3 or 4	A-	90-92%	3.7	4.2	4.7
Social Studies	3 or 4	B+	87-89%	3.3	3.8	4.3
Physical Education	1	В	83-86%	3.0	3.5	4.0
Computer	1	B-	80-82%	2.7	3.2	3.7
Foreign Language	2	C+	77-79%	2.3	2.8	3.3
Fine Arts	1	С	73-76%	2.0	2.5	3.0
Electives	6	C-	70-72%	1.7	2.2	2.7
		D+	67-69%	1.3	1.8	2.3
Total for Diploma	24	D	66%	1.0	1.5	2.0
		D-	65%	1.0	1.5	1.7
Total for High Honors	27	F	Below 65%	0.0	0.0	0

Philosophy: Oasis International School believes in educating the entire child – mentally, socially, physically, and spiritually – in an environment that is disciplined, values-based, academically strong, and respectful of people of all cultures and religions.

Purpose: Oasis International School exists because of our belief that a major impact can be made on our world through the education of international children who will in turn impact others in a positive way.

AP Scores: In 2023, 46 Oasis students took AP exams in 16 subjects. A total of 65% passed with a score of 3 or greater. 13 students scored a 5 on 16 exams. Oasis offers 7 AP classes in Calculus AB, Pre-Calculus, Human Geography, Psychology, US History, English Literature & Composition, and English Language & Composition.

SAT Scores: In the 22-23 school year, 34 upperclassmen took the SAT. Our top 3 scores last year were: 1470, 1460, and 1430. In Oasis history, a perfect SAT subject score of 800 has been earned 13 times.

August 2022 - June 2023	ERW (Reading/Writing)	Math	Total	
SAT Average Score	574 (64%)	585 (71%)	1162 (69%)	
SAT Highest Score	760 (99%)	790 (99%)	1470 (97%)	

National Merit Recognition: Six Oasis students have earned National Merit recognition, including a National Merit Finalist and a National Merit Scholar (2019 graduate).







