

Registration

Where do I hand in the registration form?

Via email to ib@al.lu

What is the deadline for registration?

1st March 2025.

Is it possible for students to be turned away?

Since students will have to sit a preliminary interview (Step 1) and admission tests (Step 2), some applicants will not be admitted to the programme.

Sports

Where does the physical education and sports course take place?

The PE course takes place in the sports hall adjacent to the building as well as in the on-campus swimming pool.

Is there a swimming lesson in seventh grade? For other grades?

Yes. Swimming lessons (2 lessons in a row) alternating with physical education classes.

Are there optional courses (football, basketball) for seventh graders? For other grades?

Yes, different courses are offered in the sports section and LASEL.

Lockers

What is the procedure for getting a locker?

Form teachers will distribute the keys for the lockers to the students at the beginning of the school year. For lost keys, students need to pay the 50€ costs for replacing the key.

What is the procedure for having a large locker (for a musical instrument for example)?

At the beginning of the school year, each pupil will be given a standard locker. Students will be able to go to the technical staff office to exchange their standard locker key with a large locker key. (Larger lockers are also available in the music department)

School transportation

Where is the bus stop / departure?

North Campus (rue Marguerite de Brabant, near the ECG).

South campus (boulevard Pierre Dupong, near the Forum). -> for schedules of school buses please refer to **your commune**.

Extracurricular activities

What extracurricular activities are offered?

The offer varies every year, but optional courses in all fields are offered (mathematics, chess, dance, scenography, costume design, debate, various sports, etc.).

The list of courses for the current school year is published on our web page.

When do these optional courses take place?

In principle during lunch breaks according to a fixed schedule. Optional courses start at the beginning of October.

Mobile phones and Ipads

Are students allowed to use their smartphone at school?

We advocate a moderate use of smartphones, especially in the 7th to 9th grade classes where form teachers, together with class holders, can decide on a ban on the use of smartphones during the day to support the development of interpersonal relationships.

Are there any rules for using the smartphone?¹

During the lessons, the use of smartphones is forbidden unless otherwise indicated by the teacher (for online research in particular).

The internal regulations provide for disciplinary measures up to and including permanent dismissal for

¹ A change of regulation is in the making, since the Ministry of Education's last campaign on screen-life-balance <https://secher.digital/fr/>

anyone who registers and/or publishes members of the school community in violation of data protection rights.

Do students work on computers during lessons?

Students may be required to work on computers in special rooms. However, 'iPad' classes are not widespread in the preparatory years. In 10th grade, all students from the international classes receive an iPad.

Do students receive a laptop or Ipad from the school?

Students in the lower cycle do not receive a laptop from the school. "iPad" or "Laptops" trolleys are available for teachers to use during lessons with students.

Are there Ipad classes ?

Yes, from 10th grade onwards.

Curriculum in the international classes

Does the Athénée offer the MYP?

No, the Athénée has created its own programme of international classes from 7th to 11th Grades. This programme is based on IBO requirements.

It is only in 12th Grade that the Athénée becomes an IB World school, a label which allows us to offer the IB DP (International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme).

Is French a requirement for the international classes?

Students joining our programme in Grade 7 do not need to have any knowledge of French. However, the French classes are organized in different levels: beginners and intermediate in Grades 7 & 8, intermediate and advanced in Grades 8 & 9.

What level is expected?

Students joining our programme in Grade 10 or 11 will need to sit admission tests in French as a certain level of French is expected (A2+ in Grade 10; B1 in Grade 11).

Is there an age policy?

Yes, pupils cannot skip a class by changing an education system. They must also have reached a certain age by 31 August of the current year. (11 years old for the 7th grade, 14 years old for the 10th grade, 15 years old for the 11th grade)

Do school fees apply ?

No. We are a public school and all classes are free of charge.

If a teacher is absent, are the students free or is the teacher replaced?

In principle, replacements are made when a teacher is absent. The class can also work independently under the supervision of a member of staff. Depending on the timetable, pupils may be released (after the parents' release of responsibility is given at the beginning of the school year).

When are students informed about which textbooks they should get?

The school provides the textbooks for every student. At the beginning of the year, the students will receive the required textbooks free of charge (except for compulsory reading in language and literature classes).

Is there a field trip?

Depending on the teacher and the behaviour of the class, field trips (one day trips for preparatory years), two days or more for the intermediate years) can be organized.

Miscellaneous

At what age can students participate in the Debating Club (preparing for MUN and MEP conferences)?

Students can join the Debating Club from 7th Grade onwards.

Where can I get lunch? How do I pay for it?

The school has a canteen where students can buy food (either a full menu or a sandwich or salads). Payment is done with the student card each student receives on the first day of school. Parents can put money on the card via a special website: www.restopolis.lu

Is there a study room during lunch breaks?

During lunch breaks, IT rooms, the library and designated class rooms are accessible for students if they wish to work independently on their homework.

May I stay on the premises after school hours to revise?

The school's opening hours are from 7:00 to 21:00. Students are allowed to stay on the premises after school hours to revise but are not under the surveillance of staff after their regular school hours.

The library's opening hours are as followed:

MO, WE, FR: 7:45 to 17:45 &

TU, TH: 7:45 to 16:45