

The Overseas School of Colombo

SCHOOL FACT SHEET 2021-2022

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Head of School - Dr. Michelle Kleiss

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The Overseas School of Colombo (OSC) is Sri Lanka's oldest internationally accredited educational institution and the only school to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme from Pre-school to Grade 12 catering to the needs of the internationally mobile expatriate community and Sri Lankan students. As an IB World School, OSC develops the whole child as a responsible learner, striving for personal excellence within a culturally diverse environment.

ACCREDITATIONS

International Baccalaureate (IB)
Council of International Schools (CIS)
Middle States Association of Schools
and Colleges (MSA)

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Founded in 1957
Non-profit, co-educational, English-medium.
Pre-K to Grade 12
400 students, 41 nationalities
Class of 2022: 25 students

MEMBERSHIPS

South Asian Inter School Association (SAISA)
Near East South Asia Council of Overseas Schools (NESA)
Educational Collaborative for International
Schools (ECIS)

FACULTY

63 educators, more than half with advanced degrees
Faculty members come from Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, France, India, Ireland, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, UK, USA & Venezuela
OSC supports professional development through local, regional and worldwide workshops and seminars

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Primary School (Pre-School to Grade 5)
Secondary School (Grade 6 to Grade 12)

SCHEDULE

40 weeks with 180 days
Two semesters: August to December and January to June

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete 24 credits in English (4 years),
Humanities (4 years), Science (3 years), Mathematics (3 years),
Second Language (2 years), Physical Education (2 years), Arts (2 years),
CAS (2 years), and Electives (2 years)
All students must participate in the Theory of Knowledge course
Students with an average of 5 or above are eligible for our Diploma with Distinction

OSC does not rank students

CURRICULUM

OSC administers all three International Baccalaureate Programmes:
Primary Years Programme for Grades PK to 5 (PYP 1-8)
Middle Years Programme for Grades 6 to 10 (MYP 1-5)
Diploma Programme for Grades 11 to 12 (DP 1-2)

In the primary grades, specialist courses are offered in physical education (including year-long swimming), music, art, drama, information technology, Sinhala, and French. Student services cover English-as-an-Additional-Language and learning support throughout the primary and middle schools.

In middle school, students study Mathematics, English, Humanities (Geography and History), Science, Modern Language (French, Spanish or Mandarin), Technology, Performing Arts (Music and Drama), Visual Art, Physical and Health Education (including year-long swimming), and PSE (Personal and Social Education).

In grade 10, students can choose French or Spanish, history or geography, and drama or art. All other subjects are studied as in middle school.

In grades 11-12, students study English or French or beginner's Spanish, Sinhala, math, science (1 or 2 from biology, chemistry, environmental systems, or physics), visual arts or theater arts, geography or history or economics, physical education, and Theory of Knowledge.

FACILITIES

Purpose-built 5 acre self-contained green campus near the parliamentary complex in the new administrative capital of Sri Jayawardanapura Kotte. It is equipped with air-conditioned classrooms, 2 libraries, 3 design labs, 4 newly renovated state-of-the-art science labs, specialist rooms for art, drama and music, IT labs, Counselling offices, a 400-seat auditorium, black-box studio theatre, covered primary school playground, cafeteria, and a coffee shop.

Sports facilities include a spacious grass football field, a 25-meter swimming pool, a professional level outdoor basketball court, and a gymnasium with a rock-climbing wall, basketball, badminton and volleyball courts a movement room and cardio/weight room.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

All students in Grades 9-12 engage in Service Learning through 13 student-led groups. OSC participates in the following SAISA activities: Badminton, Basketball, Football, Music, Swimming, Track & Field, Visual Arts, and Volleyball. Other activities offered are: Ambassadors, Boys and Girls Voice, Concert Band, Duke of Edinburgh, Eco Schools, Girls RI/SE, Math Club, MUN, Robotics, Student Government Association, Theatre (including ISTA), The Margin (DEIJ student group), and Yearbook

FEES

Annual tuition fee

Pre-School	:\$11,750
Kindergarten (KG)	:\$17,700
Grades 1- 5	:\$20,900
Grades 6-8	:\$21,950
Grade 9-12	:\$25,250

Registration fee (one-time non-refundable)

Pre-School	:\$3,000
KG to Grade 12	:\$10,000

Refundable deposit

Pre-School to Grade 5	:SLR 25,000 (\$124)
Grade 6 to 12	:SLR 50,000 (\$247)

Application fee (one-time non-refundable) : US\$120

Fees are payable in Sri Lankan rupees or US dollars. (All fees are quoted in US dollars.)



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