



Oasis International School

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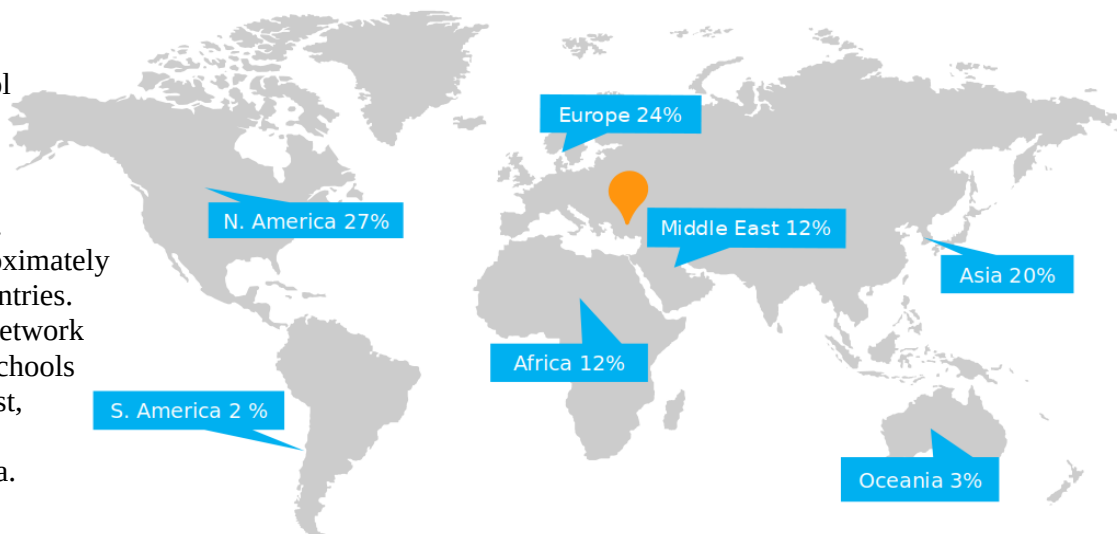
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School Profile 2022-2023

Director: Karl Nielsen **Elementary Principal:** Stephen Meier **Secondary Principal:** Ryan Stauffer
Curriculum & Instructional Services Principal: Brenda Morton
Guidance Counselors: Cristina Meier, Ph.D. and Pete Simano

Oasis International School was established in 2004 to provide a high-quality education to international students living in Ankara. This year Oasis has approximately 430 students from 75 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 15, 2022 to June 6, 2023, 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.

COVID-19 Impact: The 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years were affected by this pandemic. In March 2020, teachers utilized Zoom, Sycamore, Google, Flipgrid, IXL, and live lessons (through Zoom) to teach 2-4 times a week for each subject. This program continued into the 2020-2021 school year with a blended learning plan for most students for the whole year. The 2020-2021 school year ended with in-person final exams. For the 2021-2022 school year, classes returned to full-time in-person learning, with no more than one week of online school due to an outbreak of the Delta variant in early January.

Extra Curricular Activities: 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 (3.5+ GPA) or High Honors Diploma (3.75+ GPA, take an additional math or science class AND an additional social studies class, complete 27 credits, pass an AP exam, be enrolled at Oasis at least 2 years, and earn the Aslan Service Award at least two times).

Subject	Credits Required
English	4
Mathematics	3 or 4
Science	3 or 4
Social Studies	3 or 4
Physical Education	1
Computer	1
Foreign Language	2
Fine Arts	1
Electives	6

Total for Diploma	24
Total for High Honors	27

Grading Scale	Percentage	GPA	Honors	AP
A+	97-100%	4.0	4.5	5.0
A	93-96%	4.0	4.5	5.0
A-	90-92%	3.7	4.2	4.7
B+	87-89%	3.3	3.8	4.3
B	83-86%	3.0	3.5	4.0
B-	80-82%	2.7	3.2	3.7
C+	77-79%	2.3	2.8	3.3
C	73-76%	2.0	2.5	3.0
C-	70-72%	1.7	2.2	2.7
D+	67-69%	1.3	1.8	2.3
D	66%	1.0	1.5	2.0
D-	65%	1.0	1.5	1.7
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.

Vision: 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 2022, 30 Oasis students took AP exams in 11 subjects. A total of 79% passed with a score of 3 or greater. Half of those students scored a 5, including 100% of our AP Calculus AB students. Our most popular exams are Calculus AB, Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, and English Language and Composition.

SAT Scores: Approximately 55% of OIS students took the SAT last year and 43% scored in the 90th percentile for one or both sections of the test. In Oasis history, a perfect SAT subject score of 800 has been earned 13 times.

August 2021 - June 2022	ERW (Reading/Writing)	Math	Total
SAT Average Score	577 (66%)	600 (81%)	1140 (71%)
SAT Highest Score	750 (99%)	790 (99%)	1490 (99%)

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

