



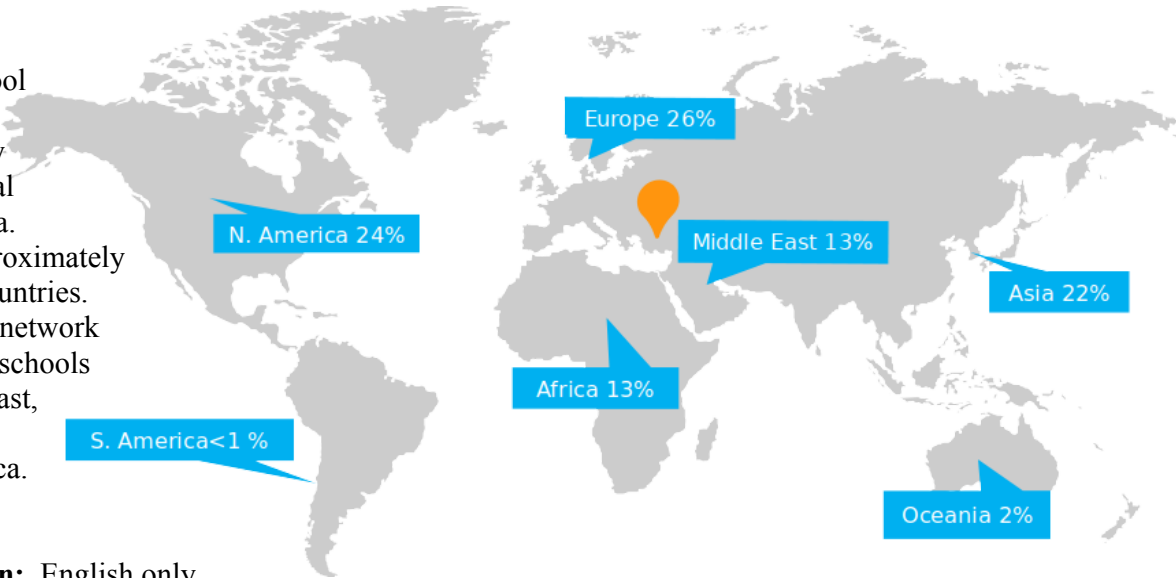
Oasis International School

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School Profile 2021-2022

Director: Karl Nielsen **Elementary Principal:** Stephen Meier **Secondary Principal:** Chris Puckett
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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 400 students from 70 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 15-24 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. 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 23, 2021 to June 7, 2022, 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 3:15pm, Monday through Friday.

COVID-19: Due to COVID-19, Oasis transitioned to an online program in March 2020. Teachers utilized Zoom, Sycamore, Google, Flipgrid, IXL, and other online resources. For online days, live lessons were taught 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. At the end of the 2020-2021 school year, in-person final exams were issued along with the second semester grades. Beginning in August 2021, classes have returned to full-time in-person learning, with the online program ready for emergency use only.

Extra Curricular Activities: Art Club, Arabic Club, Spanish Club, Bible Club, Varieties Club, Musical Instrument Lessons, Game Club, Sports Club, Drama Club, Jump Rope Club, Creative Writing Club, Model United Nations, Student Council, 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 credit 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
A+	97-100%	4.0
A	93-96%	4.0
A-	90-92%	3.7
B+	87-89%	3.3
B	83-86%	3.0
B-	80-82%	2.7
C+	77-79%	2.3
C	73-76%	2.0
C-	70-72%	1.7
D+	67-69%	1.3
D-	65-66%	1.0
F	Below 65%	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: Through the continued COVID challenges of the 2020-2021 school year, 18 students took AP exams in 13 subjects. Among our students, 70% passed with a score of 3 or greater. In the last 4 years, OIS students have taken 120 AP exams with 76 % of our students receiving a score of 3 or greater. Our most popular exams are Calculus AB, US History, and Language and Composition.

SAT Scores: Opportunities for SAT tests were limited by COVID restrictions during the 2020-2021 school year. Even so, 33% of OIS students who took the SAT last year 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 2018 - June 2021	ERW (Reading/Writing)	Math	Total
SAT Average Score	577 (66%)	600 (81%)	1177 (78%)
SAT Highest Score	780 (99%)	800 (99%)	1580 (99%)

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

