International High School of Sarajevo
International Middle School of Sarajevo

Međunarodna srednja škola u Sarajevu
Međunarodna osnovna škola u Sarajevu
Introduction

Why all this?

Because we need things of more quality that are done from our hearts for the benefit of our children.

In this brochure you will find useful information about our schools and services that we provide for our children and parents, in order to make our children get better education.

We hope to see you in our school at sometime in the near future with your child.

Bosna Sema educational institutions
International School of Sarajevo
Međunarodna škola u Sarajevu
To embrace the future
ABOUT BOSNA SEMA EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

BOSNA SEMA educational institutions

Bosna Sema Educational Institutions are privately owned institutions, with the main aim to assist and support the educational system of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Our school allows students to live in a community which understands them and gives them the opportunity for quality education. The students are aimed to be provided with knowledge and skills which help them in further studies.

BOSNA SEMA in numbers

Bosna Sema educational institutions registred 10 educational institutions, four pre schools, four primary schools, five high schools and one university with three faculties.

These schools and faculties have over 3000 students, and employ 400 workers.

Mission

The mission of Bosna Sema Schools is to prepare each student for higher learning in a safe, caring and collaborative atmosphere.

That is only possible through a quality educational program with a strong emphasis on natural and social sciences.

From Students to Nobel Laureates

Our goal is to train students through education and to help them gain knowledge which will enable them to find jobs and successful careers in all spheres of society easily.

This will lead students to become more productive and responsible citizens and even Nobel laureates.
Standard Education Programs (Standard Curriculum)

In Bosna Sema Schools, the curriculum is approved by the Ministry of Science and Education and the classes are taught in English.

Special attention is paid to the individual needs of the students. Education, practical skills and languages are valued as integral parts of the instructional program.

The curriculum is designed to stimulate intellectual curiosity and develop the critical thinking skills necessary for students to enjoy a full, productive, and satisfying life.

Chance:
All students have the chance to succeed in challenging classes

Motivation:
Courses/projects spark student interest and relate to today’s rapidly changing world

Support:
All students have adult mentors who know them and push them to achieve

Successful completion of elementary and high schools prepare our students for admission to universities.
BOSEPO Olympiad

Our students have the opportunity to participate in the BOSEPO Olympiads which is organized by Bosna Sema Educational Institutions.

The Olympiad has a scientific nature where students from all schools founded by Bosna Sema Educational Institutions compete with each other for Bosnia. This is an opportunity for students to show their knowledge through scientific projects in the following categories: Energy, Engineering and Environment.

It provides the students with new knowledge and experiences and gives them an opportunity to participate in international competitions.

International and National Competitions

Our schools have already been a successful organizer of a Scientific Fair in Sarajevo and host the BIH Federation English Olympiads for 8th graders and Mathematics/Physics and Computer Science Olympiads at different levels for many years.

INFIMA

Computer Science-Physics-Mathematics

The main task of INFIMA is to provide the students with necessary information about the competitions. The organization committee of INFIMA prepares and sends students to the cantonal, federation, state and international competitions.

INFIMA works daily with our talented students, and serves their training in the field of Mathematics, Physics and Computer Science through extra courses and seminars.

The students of Bosna Sema Schools have shown great results in all these competitions, and earned many medals in the field of natural sciences in international competitions as well.
The Results of International science Olympiads for 2010/2011.

**Gold Medals:**
- 7 medals
  - ISWEEP, USA
  - INEPO-EUROASIA, AZERBAIJAN
  - EBKO, TURKEY

**Silver Medals:**
- 5 medals
  - GENIUS, USA
  - INEPO, TURKEY
  - INFOMATRIX, ROMANIA

**Bronze Medals:**
- 9 medals
  - GENIUS, USA
  - INEPO, TURKEY
  - INFOMATRIX, ROMANIA

The Results of state and federal competitions for 2010/2011.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STATE COMPETITIONS</th>
<th>FEDERAL COMPETITIONS</th>
<th>INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9 MEDALS</td>
<td>15 WON PLACES (1st. place - 6th. place)</td>
<td>2 MEDALS and 4 honorable mention</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MATH 4</td>
<td>MATH 10</td>
<td>IMO - 2 honorable mention</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PHYSICS 3</td>
<td>PHYSICS 5</td>
<td>IPHO - 2 honorable mention</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>COMPUTER SCIENCE 2</td>
<td></td>
<td>MMO - 2 medals</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*IMO-International Mathematical Olympiad
*IPHO-International Physics Olympiads
*MMO-Mediterranean Mathematics Olympiad
International High School of Sarajevo is a private educational institution which exists and acts within the framework of Bosna Sema Educational Institutions.

International School of Sarajevo (ISS), Ilidza Campus is comprised of International Middle School and International High School. ISS is a private school run by Bosna Sema Educational Institutions, operating since 1996 with the aim to contributing to and enhancing the educational system of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

International Middle School was founded in 1998; International High School was recognized by the Ministry of Education in 2010. ISS signed the Protocol on cooperation with the Federal and Cantonal Ministries of Education of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

ISS is a member of ECIS (European Council of International Schools) which is a collaborative network promoting the ideals and best practice of international education.

We invest considerable amount of material means and equipment according to the highest European standards in teaching. The main language of instruction is English, except for a few subjects, in modern technologically equipped classrooms and laboratories.

Our school is a whole-day school, which starts at 8:30 and finishes at 15:40. ISS does not have a dormitory. For this reason ISS accepts only students who live in Sarajevo and its surrounding suburbs. ISS is an English medium school. ISS students are also taught Turkish, German, and French so that they can become multilingual when graduating high school.

ISS has a unique Behavior Mark System that helps students acquire moral qualities with the intention to let these behaviors become permanent.

As their free time activities, students have many facilities to access at their free times such as a modern cinema hall with the 500 seats, modern computer lab which is non-stop connected with the world and basketball terrain.

The system of education is based on the Curriculum of the Ministry of Education and Science of Sarajevo Canton. ISS is a co-ed private school and it is comprised of approximately 320 students with a maximum individual class size of 24 students, averaging 20 students, so that each student can get more individual attention.

International School of Sarajevo has been for a long time a part of Bosnian reality what oblige our management to go even further into modernization of educational system, communications, curriculum and introduction of new European educational trends.
WHAT MAKES US SPECIAL

Safe School Environment

International High School of Sarajevo offers the safety that justifies its existence and attracts the attention of students.

The school atmosphere is a friendly and wholesome environment that encourages creative expression and a desire for knowledge.

The involvement and participation of parents in the educational process support us and make us feel like one big family.

The School Atmosphere

The emphasis of the entire instructional program is aimed at meeting the individual needs of each student in order to allow them to develop to their fullest potential.

The school gives the students a chance to realize their ideas, thoughts, to think analytically and express thoughts in written and spoken form.

Our students are successful because they are treated as individuals with their own thoughts, characteristics, and learning styles.

The Best Place for Learning

The students of International High School of Sarajevo have access to teachers during the whole school day. Every teacher makes a personal investment in each child, resulting in the student’s enthusiasm and desire to learn more and do their best.

Cooperation between School and Families

Recognizing the importance of working together, International School of Sarajevo attributes great importance to maintain contact with parents of their students.

Teachers practice home visits to establish a family/student/teacher connection that serves a bridge between the school and home.

Healthy foods

Food in our school helps our children grow up with healthier eating habits and healthier bodies.
Excellent Teaching Staff & ISS Education Philosophy

As ISS, we pride ourselves on having dynamic and experienced teaching staff who has gained their knowledge and experience at prestigious universities from around the world.

At ISS:

- The teacher is not the person who lectures but the person who is a facilitator, who shows the way to the student that leads to knowledge,
- The students are expected to be active, responsible participants in the learning process,
- The students are expected to engage in design, problem solving, decision making, and investigative activities.

Student Behavior Improvement System

With Student Behavior Improvement System, our teachers record the behaviors of the students in the classes.

For instance, they write down notes on the papers such as “Student X has not done homework on 03.03.12/ Math / German; Student Y doesn’t have his book with him on 03.04.12/ Chemistry/Physics; Student Z is an active participant on 03.01.12/ English ...etc.”

The teachers have regular weekly office hours with the students to discuss the weekly matters. Moreover, there are separate office hours when the parents may come and visit the teachers both during and after school hours.

Then, especially the class teachers talk to the students about the negative and positive behaviors to come up with a possible solution if there is a problem; or appreciate the positive aspects of the students’ behavior.
“SMART SCHOOL” APPLICATION

Smart School Application

The schools that belong to Bosna Sema Educational Institutions are the first and the only schools using electronic class register (e-dnevnik) application.

As part of this family, International High School of Sarajevo has been using the system since October, 2011.

Check student grades and absences online

You may check the condition ratings, comments from teachers and student absences on our smart school website, www.smartschool.ba, with just the login data through the website.

Checking grades and absences by SMS messages

With this new, fast and smart web application, our parents may get information about their children from anywhere and anytime by just sending an SMS to the system once they have registered to get a report of their children.

E-class registers let you communicate directly with the teachers via e-mail or internal messaging as well.

You may also find an option to check all received text messages from teachers.
WHAT WE OFFER

Student Centered Teaching
We place great value on:
• Learning while sharing and contributing
• Individual attention
• Active and learning
• Recording of progress in education
• Participation in research projects
• Strong student motivation
• Peer communication
• Promoting discovery/active/cooperative learning
• Responsibility for one’s own learning

Teaching aides & Equipment
In our school, we provide conditions that facilitate working with students and learning.

All of our classes are equipped with either LCD TVs or Smart Boards/Active Boards and projectors and computers with internet facilities.

Our school has well maintained science labs of Physics, chemistry, biology, and computers. The labs are fully equipped with every kind of modern apparatus as per the requirements of each field.

Research Experience
Our schools have a lot of challenges for parents and students because they are able to participate in many competitions in the fields of Mathematics, Physics, energy, engineering and environmental protection.

Enriched Academic Environment
International High School of Sarajevo offers students a chance for successful development. Students spend time and learn how to discipline themselves in our school environment through a variety of activities including lots of extracurricular activities with which they develop their talents. Our teachers try to take all the necessary measures to the maximum development of students as much as possible.