



ISF

International School
Frankfurt Rhein-Main

ISF ADMISSIONS FAQ GUIDE



Everything You Need to Know

Relocating to Frankfurt? This guide answers the most common questions families ask when considering ISF.

Welcome

Choosing the right school is an important decision, and we understand that families often have many questions – especially when relocating.

This guide provides answers to some of the most frequently asked questions about life at ISF, helping you better understand how we support students academically, socially, and personally.

LANGUAGES & INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

What languages will my child learn?

All ISF students learn English and German throughout their education.

Additional languages include:

- French or Spanish (from Grade 6)
- Korean (native speakers)
- Japanese (from Grade 9 for native speakers)

Does my child need to speak English or German to enroll?

No.

- **No English is required** up to Grade 7. Students starting in Grade 8 can do so without prior knowledge of English if they start at the beginning of the school year.
- **No German is required** at any grade level. We provide structured language support to help students integrate quickly and confidently.

ACADEMIC PATHWAYS & RECOGNITION

Will my child be able to attend university in Germany?

Yes. ISF students graduate with internationally recognized qualifications, including the **International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, Advanced Placement® (AP®)** courses, and the ISF High School Diploma.

These pathways allow students to access universities in **Germany, the United States, the United Kingdom, and around the world.** Many ISF graduates choose to continue their studies at universities in Germany.

Is ISF officially recognized in Germany?

Yes. ISF is a **state-approved supplementary school** in accordance with §176 of the Hessian School Law (HSchG), approved by the Hessian Ministry of Education.



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SCHOOL LIFE & DAILY ROUTINE

What are the school hours?

- Kindergarten: 08:20 until 15:05
- Preschool – Grade 4: 08:20 until 15:25
- Grades 5 –12: 08:20 until 16:10

After-school activities and sports are available, and extended care is offered for younger students.

How many students attend ISF?

ISF has approximately **800 students from over 40 nationalities**, creating a diverse and international learning environment.

What is student life like?

Students at ISF benefit from a wide range of clubs, sports, arts, and leadership opportunities through the SABIS Student Life Organization® (SLO®).

This helps students build friendships, develop confidence, and feel part of a strong school community.

For more information about student life, download the ISF Student Life Guide.

TUITION & FEES

What is included in the tuition fees?

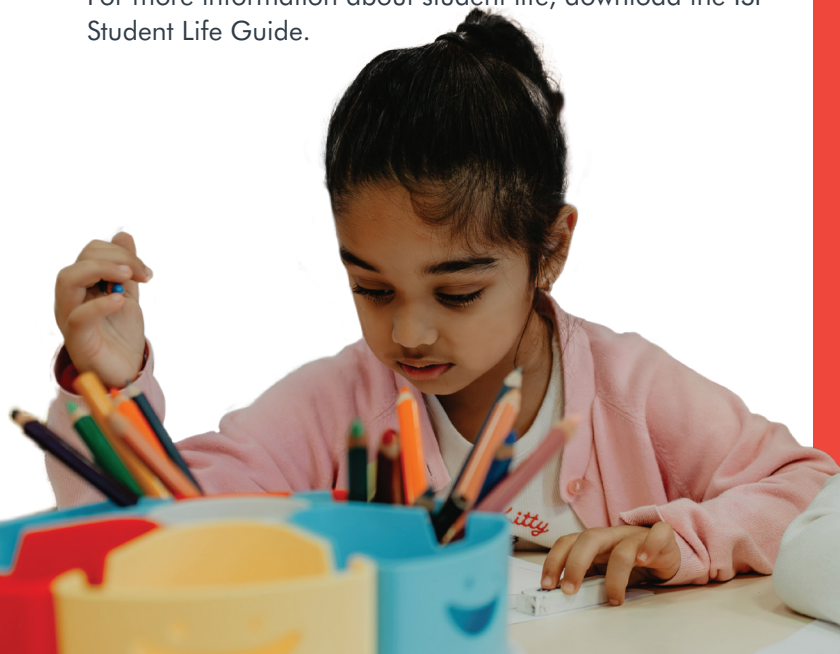
Tuition fees include:

- All academic instruction
- Books and learning materials
- After-school care (Kindergarten–Grade 4)

What additional costs should we expect?

Additional costs may include:

- School lunches
- Transportation
- External examination fees
- Selected extracurricular activities and trips



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SCHOOL MEALS

What food service is available on campus?

ISF offers a daily hot lunch service through Sodexo in two cafeterias and a special space dedicated for our Kindergarten and Preschool learners.

Features of our food service include:

- Multi-cultural cuisine
- Daily vegetarian and non-vegetarian options
- Balanced nutrition
- Salad bar and snacks
- On-site kiosk
- Student card system
- Dining in a safe and supervised environment

TRANSPORTATION & LOCATION

How do students travel to and from ISF?

Students can travel to ISF via:

- Public transport (S-Bahn: Sindlingen S1 / Zeilsheim S2)
- Contracted private transport services

Some families choose to transport their children to and from the school daily.

The campus is easily accessible from Frankfurt and surrounding areas, including the Taunus region and Wiesbaden.

A SMOOTH TRANSITION

How does ISF support new students?

We understand that starting at a new school – especially in a new country – can be a big step. At ISF, students are supported through:

- Structured academic placement
- Language support programs
- A new student Ambassador Program that facilitates integration into every day student life and activities
- A welcoming international community

Our goal is to ensure that every student feels comfortable, confident, and at home from the very beginning.



STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

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WITH OUR TEAM!**

