

## **ISC At-A-Glance: Media Information**

### **School Governance**

International School Carinthia (ISC) is a public-private partnership recognized under Austrian law with oversight provided by the ISC Verein and ISC Board. Founding members of ISC elect members to the Verein and Board from the following organizations:

- The Carinthian International Center (CIC)
- Chamber of Commerce Carinthia, Wirtschaftskammer Kaernten(WKK)
- Federation of Industry Carinthia, Industriellenvereinigung Kaernten (IV)
- Catholic Diocese of Gurk
- the State of Carinthia

### **Tuition and Fees**

Tuition: PYP €5.099; MYP €6.118; DP €6.118 (+DP fees 1.030€)

One-Time Enrollment Fee: €1.000

One-Time non refundable Application Fee: €90

Lunch: €100 per month (optional)

Class Budget: €98 (PYP) €113 (MYP) per semester

After-School Activities: 40€ to €315 per activity, per semester (optional)

Stipendia Awarded in 2021-22: €52.000

### **Community and School Information**

ISC students hail from Carinthia and the world and will be united by their desire to pursue an international education informed by Christian values with English as the primary language of instruction. To balance the school's population and provide educational opportunities for students whose native language is not German, a certain number of spaces may be reserved in each class for international students each year. In 2021-22, ISC expanded to grades 1-12 with 17 classes and currently enrolls 367 students representing over 42 nationalities. ISC will grow to offer grades 1-12 by 2022 and graduate our first class of students.

ISC has official status under Austrian law and is authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) to offer the Primary Years Programme. In October 2019, ISC became an IB MYP Authorized School. In June 2020, ISC became an IB DP Authorized School. In September 2020, ISC successfully completed its five-year PYP Graduation. ISC is now one of only four IB Continuum Schools offering all three IB programmes in Austria. ISC was also recognized as a MINT-Gütesiegel Schule (STEM School of Excellence) in 2018 and in 2021 by IV Austria based on ISC's strong implementation of MINT/STEM programming across the curriculum.

## **Curriculum**

As a state-sponsored, Catholic international school with a private statute, ISC aspires to offer the IB programs with influences from the Austrian curriculum and other international curricula. English is the primary language of instruction. Students in grades 1-5 will experience the IB Primary Years Program; in grades 6-10, the IB Middle Years Program; and in grades 11-12, the IB Diploma Program curriculum.

At the end of their high school career, students will have the opportunity to receive a diploma that is recognized internationally as well as nationally -- the IB Diploma. IB programs provide a holistic, student-centered learning approach. ISC students will be challenged to meet the rigorous standards of the ISC curriculum through inquiry-based pedagogy that challenges students to learn how to learn. Throughout their educational experience at ISC, students will be encouraged to live up to the core values of the IB Learner Profile in their pursuit of knowledge and understanding. They will engage in thought-provoking units of inquiry with meaningful learning activities leading to authentic formative and summative assessments to measure their learning along the way.

## **Assessment Reporting**

ISC students receive IB report cards each semester.

## **Faculty and Staff**

ISC faculty come from around the world. All teachers are university trained, licensed in Austria or their home country, and ideally bring IB experience to the team. In 2021-22, ISC employs 60 faculty and staff members representing over 17 different nationalities. ISC's programs are also facilitated by many external teachers for religion, mother-tongue languages and after-school programs.

## **Extracurricular Programs**

ISC offers after-school programs on a full-year or seasonal basis throughout the school year encompassing sports, arts, music, culture, and inquiry. The following activities will be offered in the school year 2021-22: art, paint club, chess club, theatre club, spanish, soccer, handcraft, piano lessons, guitar lessons, hip hop, ballett, mother-tongue lessons, swimming, skiing, ice-skating. In addition, ISC is a member of the Danube Valley Athletic Conference (DVAC) and participates in international school sports competitions in Central Europe. ISC also participates annually in the World Scholar's Cup.

Each year, ISC participates in exchanges with schools via the Erasmus+ program and the Association of Central European IB Schools (ACES). In 2019, ISC set up a student exchange program with the French American International School (FAIS) in Portland, Oregon and hopes to establish exchange programs with other IB schools in the future.