



# Why HIS?

## 10 Reasons Our Community Chose HIS:

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### HIS is the Only Non-Profit, International Accredited (WASC), IB World School in Zhejiang Province:

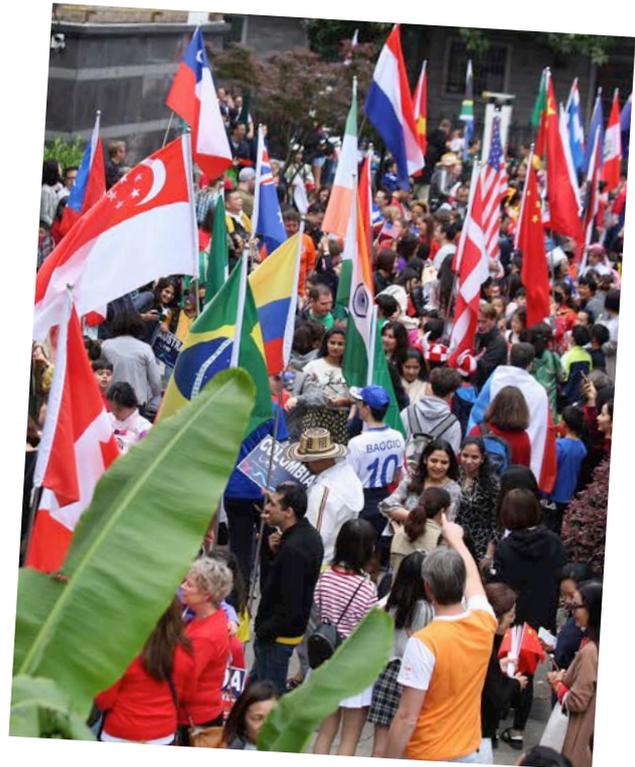
HIS was founded in 2002 as an English-medium international school. The current Chinese President, **Xi Jinping**, visited HIS to inaugurate the **first international school** in Hangzhou. Since 2005, HIS has met the highest standards for **WASC international accreditation**. In 2014, HIS became an **IB World School** and has been rated as a top **IB World School in Asia** by Newsweek Magazine.



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### HIS is Truly International:

HIS celebrates the diversity of over **700 students** from over **50 nationalities**. A cornerstone of HIS learning is its commitment to **international-mindedness**.



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### HIS is a Community-Centered School:

The HIS mission focuses on **'learners'**, which includes opportunities and strong commitment in developing **parenting skills** and **professional growth** all with the common goal of improving support for **student learning**.



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### 4 HIS is Rigorous at ALL Grade Levels, 525,600 Minutes a Year:

At HIS, we believe everyone should be **challenged**, everyone should be **included**, and everyone should be **successful**. HIS develops students to be **problem-solvers, innovators, and future ready**. HIS also has a commitment to strong English and Chinese language and literacy programs, Singapore and IB Maths, and IB Sciences. Many HIS student continue to score in **top 1%** in worldwide standardized testing (NWEA, PSAT, SAT, IB Diploma).

HIS also has excellent programs in Visual and Performing Arts and Design. At HIS, we provide **opportunities for excellence** in all subjects.



### 5 HIS Greatly Values Mandarin and Chinese Culture:

HIS believes in the **tremendous opportunity** for learners to **explore the culture** of Hangzhou and another parts of China, to **learn Mandarin** at any level, and to participate within the local community and in partnership with local schools.



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### 6 HIS is an Inclusive Learning Community:

Admissions is open to **ALL** international applicants and we have a strong **Student Support Services** Team. HIS **believes** a true international school **serves and benefits** by including as much of **the international community** as possible. At HIS, we don't ask if a student is good enough for HIS, instead we ask if HIS is good enough for the student.



### 7 HIS Prepares Graduates with Leadership and Excellence:

Whether moving on to government service, a gap year, or attendance at university, HIS students have **achieved in the top 1% of PSAT and SAT scores**, have **received the highest IB Diploma and IB Bilingual Diploma** marks, and have attended **top universities worldwide**. The most recent class average IB Diploma score was 36 points.



### 8 HIS is a Truly Caring and Supportive Place to Be:

HIS has truly caring teachers, supportive parents, and involved students. From the time we first welcome our families, until the time their children cross our stage at graduation, we commit ourselves to supporting each individual student and their families. HIS devotes significant attention and planning for community transition to our from HIS. HIS is a place to thrive.

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### HIS has an Outstanding Faculty:

100% of the 2019-20 HIS faculty are **highly-qualified** educators and **IB-trained**. A rigorous background and reference checking process is conducted for all employees. Over 65% carry a **Master's Degree** or higher, and were recruited from the **best international recruitment associations** in the world. Our teachers average is over 13 years of **teaching experience**, and love Hangzhou.



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### HIS has Gold Dragons Spirit:

HIS values its **participation** in student **cultural and athletic** exchanges. HIS is a **member of CISSA, SISAC, ACAMIS and EARCOS**. HIS teams regularly bring home **championship trophies** and **sportsmanship awards** in many sports and activities. GooooOOO Dragons!



And, **last but not least**, HIS has continued to be a wonderful home for so many years, but **we are excited to be building** a state-of-the-art, purpose-built, brand **new 21st Century campus** that will truly allow us to build on our excellence and provide students with the facilities and learning spaces that will prepare them for the future. It's coming...

