



TIRANA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

2022-2023
SCHOOL PROFILE

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Tirana International School is a member of Quality Schools International (QSI), a consortium of nonprofit college-preparatory schools following an American-style, international curriculum. Quality Schools International has 37 schools in 31 countries, with its organizational headquarters in Malta.

Tirana International School embraces the mastery learning educational philosophy, leading to appropriately challenging instruction within a positive and enjoyable learning environment.

Enrollment

- 393 students (Pre-K through 12)
- 38 nationalities
- Secondary School: 85 students representing 18 nationalities
- Class of 2023: 18 students representing 7 nationalities

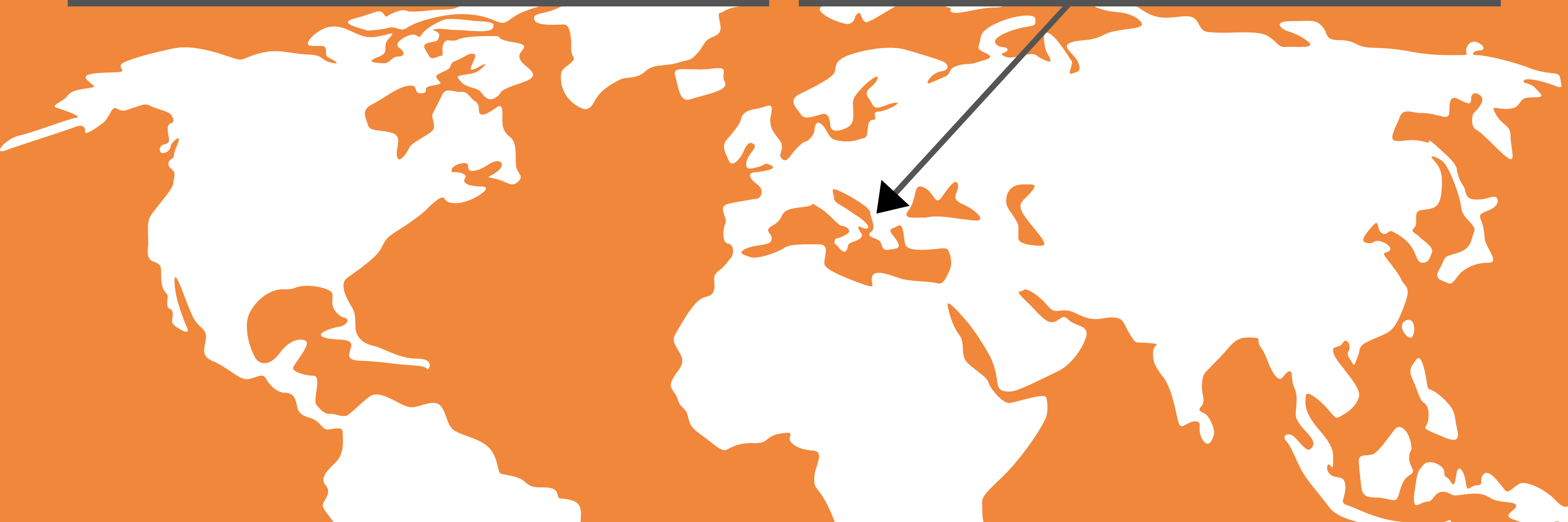
History & Academics

- Founded in 1991
- Fully accredited through Middle States Association (MSA)
- Affiliated with the U.S. Department of State Office of Overseas Schools
- American college preparatory curriculum
- Private, nonprofit international school
- Language of instruction: English
- AP Capstone and IB Diploma Programme offered to students

Tirana International School

Location: Tirana, Albania

Population: 512,000



GPA and Rank in Class

Due to the nature of our school and the small class sizes, **Tirana International School** does not rank students. The cumulative GPA on the student's transcript only reflects units completed within Quality Schools International on a 4.0 grading scale. Weight is not added to the grades of any courses. Grades from previous schools are not included in the GPA, but they are listed on student transcripts.

GPA Data

The class of 2023 had earned the following GPA's at the end of Secondary III (US 11th grade):

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| 3.75-4.0 | 11 |
| 3.5-3.74 | 5 |
| below 3.5 | 2 |

SAT Testing & Scores

22 SAT exams were administered to 18 TIS students in 2021-2022. 78% of those were non-native English speakers.

All Tirana International School student scores are included below.

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|--------------------------------|
| TIS Mean Score: 1200 |
| Global Mean Score: 1060 |

IB Diploma Programme

The class of 2023 includes the first TIS IB Diploma candidates. No historical exam data exists.

Grading

Mastery of each essential unit is evaluated with an **A** or **B** (mastery grades). **B** denotes mastery of learning outcomes at a high level of understanding. **A** represents mastery where the student demonstrates higher order thinking skills. Mediocre or poor work, resulting in **C**'s and **D**'s, is not acceptable, and students will re-engage until they demonstrate mastery.

Students who master a unit with a **B** evaluation may attempt to demonstrate a higher level of mastery at a later time, within that current school year, to change the evaluation to an **A**. Time periods (quarters, semesters, and terms) are not evaluated. Assessment is continuous and student performance is assessed on learning outcomes and units of study.

Advanced Placement (AP)

Tirana International School offers students the opportunity to participate in the AP Capstone diploma program, or to select AP courses to take on an individual basis. We do not have a set limit on the number of AP courses students can take. No weight is added to AP course grades.

84% of TIS students scored a 3 or higher on AP Exams in 2022.

| AP EXAM | TIS MEAN 2020-2022 | GLOBAL MEAN 2021 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| AP Art History | 4 | 2.8 |
| AP Biology | 3.6 | 2.8 |
| AP Calculus AB | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| AP Calculus BC | 4.5 | 3.6 |
| AP Chemistry | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| AP Comparative Government & Politics | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| AP Computer Science Principles | 4.3 | 3 |
| AP Computer Science A | 2.3 | 3.1 |
| AP English Language & Composition | 3.9 | 2.9 |
| AP English Literature & Composition | 4.3 | 2.5 |
| AP French Language & Culture | 4.5 | 3.1 |
| AP Human Geography | 3.8 | 2.7 |
| AP Macroeconomics | 4 | 2.7 |
| AP Microeconomics | 3.9 | 3 |
| AP Psychology | 4.1 | 2.7 |
| AP Research | 3.8 | 3.3 |
| AP Seminar | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| AP Spanish Language & Culture | 4.6 | 3.4 |
| AP Statistics | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| AP Studio Art: Drawing | 4.7 | 3.5 |
| AP World History: Modern | 3.9 | 2.7 |
| AP 2-D Art: and Design | 4 | 3.4 |

Graduation Requirements

Tirana International School offers three diplomas:

Academic Diploma

24 Carnegie Units (240 QSI Units)

English (70), Science (30), Technology (10), Mathematics (30), Fine Arts (10), Physical Education & Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (10)

Academic Diploma with Honors

24 Carnegie Units (240 QSI Units)

Requirements are the same as The Academic Diploma with the added condition that accumulated credits include at least two AP courses.

General Diploma*

22 Carnegie Units (220 QSI Unit Credits)

English (40), Science (20), Technology (10), Mathematics (20), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (30), Electives (50)

*Available to students who experience English language difficulties, time restraints, or other challenges that make it impractical to pursue an academic diploma.

Course Offerings 2022-2023

English

Technology
Literature I & II
Writing I & II
American Literature
British Literature
Research Project
AP Literature & Composition
AP Research
AP Seminar
Technology
IB Theory of Knowledge
IB Language & Literature

Mathematics

Algebra
Geometry
Advanced Math I (Algebra II)
Advanced Math II (Pre-Calculus)
AP Statistics
AP Calculus AB
AP Computer Science A
IB Math Analysis & Approaches

Science

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Physical Science
AP Biology
IB Biology
IB Chemistry

Cultural Studies

World Geography
Modern World History
World Governments
Economics
AP Psychology
AP Human Geography
AP World History: Modern
AP Comparative World Governments
IB Business
IB Economics
IB Psychology

Languages

French
German
Spanish
AP French
IB French B
AP German
IB German B
IB Spanish ab initio
IB Spanish B

Fine Arts

Drama I
Vocal Music
Instrumental Music
Photography
Art I, II, III
IB Theatre
IB Visual Arts

Health & P.E.

Physical Education

Extracurricular Activities*

Speech and Debate
Knowledge Bowl
Math Counts
Student Council
Drama
Rock Band
Strings
National Honor Society
Robotics
Model United Nations
Cultural Arts
Soccer
Cross Country
Volleyball
Basketball
Swimming

*Some activities are restricted or may not be offered in the 2022-2023 school year due to COVID-19 safety precautions and governmental regulations.

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