



Kodaikanal International School

A school the world needs



EDUCATION WITH A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

With a rich heritage spanning over a century, Kodaikanal International School (KIS) has been producing graduates who can face life far beyond the classroom. Our vision - *We strive to be a school the world needs: Our graduates will be transformative leaders, caring humans and thoughtful ambassadors for a just, sustainable and peaceful world.*

The school's greatest strength lies in its learning as a community – living together in an assortment of cultures, distinct faiths and varied experiences from across the globe. Entrenched in a comprehensive educational system focused on the the individual, the school's commitment to quality education, global diversity, and a continuous learning process, empowers its students to be citizens of the world. The natural beauty of Kodaikanal adds to the warmth of its international community life at 7000 feet above sea level.

25
Nationalities

120
Staff Members

450+
Students

7:1
Student-Staff Ratio

QUALIFIED FOR LIFE, FAR BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

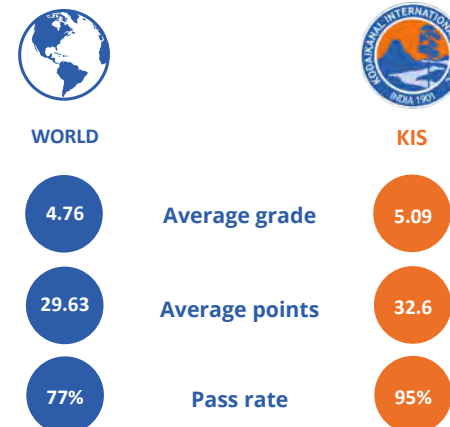
KIS prepares students for admissions to colleges and universities around the world through two academically challenging programs: the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma and the KIS Diploma.

As the first school in India and the third in Asia to offer the IB Diploma, KIS has an outstanding 40+ year track record of consistently scoring above the world average. Students can earn the IB Diploma by passing at least six examinations in prescribed subject areas: three must be at a Higher Level and three at a Standard Level. IB examination papers are set by international experts and marked externally by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). The evaluation of the IB includes a mini-thesis and a recorded presentation of the topic. The school also provides a bilingual option of undertaking the IB Diploma that allows international students to pursue and complete the diploma at KIS.

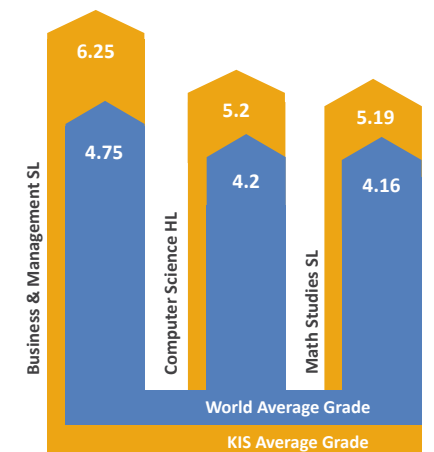
The KIS Diploma is accredited by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges, Philadelphia and recognized by the Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi, as equivalent to the Indian "+2" secondary certification. Requirements for receiving the KIS Diploma are defined in terms of credits, which apply to subjects in Grades 9 to 12. Apart from the core subjects, students are expected to complete courses in Religious Education, Health, Fine and Practical Arts, Computer Education and Community Service to meet the minimum requirements for eligibility of the US accredited KIS Diploma.



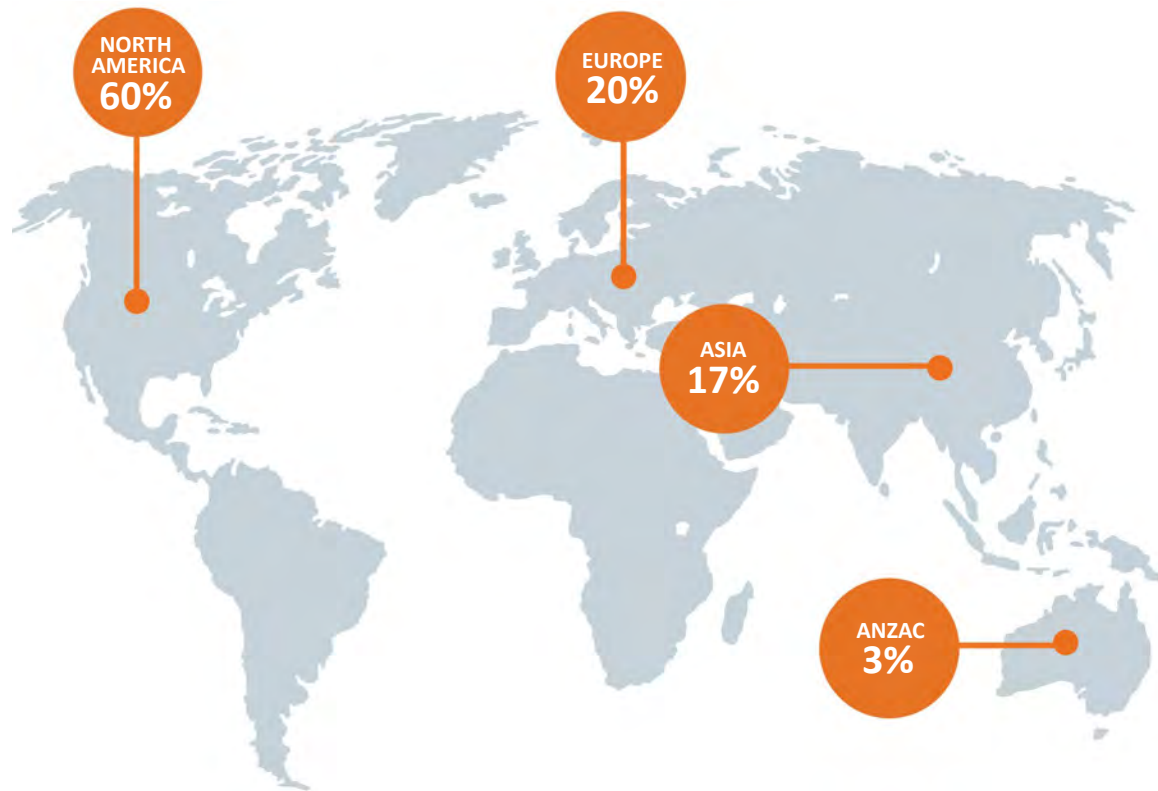
IB RESULTS - MAY 2019



SUBJECTS ABOVE WORLD AVERAGE BY OVER 1 BASE POINT IN MAY 2019



COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION LIST



Critical thinking, ethical decision making, and emotionally intelligent human beings are hallmarks of a KIS graduate with placements into top colleges and universities across the world.

AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

- Monash University
- The Blue Mountain International School of Hotel Management
- University of Melbourne
- University of New South Wales
- University of Sydney

CANADA

- McGill University
- McMaster University
- Mount Allison
- OCAD University
- Ryerson University
- University of British Columbia
- University of Calgary
- University of Ottawa
- University of Toronto
- University of Waterloo
- Western University

EUROPE (EXCLUDING UK)

- EBIMM Institute
- Erasmus University
- EU Business School
- HAN University of Applied Sciences
- Hildersheim
- Jönköping University
- Leiden University
- Les Roches
- Maastricht, Erasmus
- Polimoda
- Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland
- St. Charles University
- University of Amsterdam
- VIA University College

ASIA

- Ashoka University
- Asia Pacific Flight Training Academy
- Chulalongkorn University
- City University of Hong Kong
- Emirates Aviation
- Father Muller Medical College
- FLAME University
- Fudan University
- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Institute of Hotel Management
- J.D. Birla Institute
- King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi
- La Salle
- Loyola College
- Madras Christian College
- Mahatma Gandhi University
- Manipal University
- O.P. Jindal University
- Raffles Millennium International
- Shri Ram College of Commerce
- Shristhi College
- Soonchunhyang University

- SP Jain
- Sri Ramachandra Medical College
- SRM University
- St. Joseph's College
- St. Stephen's College
- St. Xavier's College
- Stella Maris College
- Whistling Woods International Institute
- Women's Christian College

UK

- Aston University
- ESCP Europe
- Heriot-Watt University
- Hult Business School
- Imperial College London
- Instituto Marangoni of Fashion & Design
- King's College London
- London Metropolitan
- London School of Economics
- St. Andrew's University
- The University of Birmingham
- UCLAN
- University Campus of Football Business
- University College London
- University of Aston
- University of Bath
- University of Bristol
- University of Cardiff
- University of Durham
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Exeter
- University of Keele
- University of Kent
- University of Leeds
- University of Leicester
- University of Liverpool
- University of London
- University of Manchester
- University of Middlesex
- University of Nottingham
- University of Sterling
- University of Sussex
- University of Warwick

USA

- Arizona State University
- Beloit College
- Berklee College of Music
- Boston University
- California Baptist University
- Calvin College
- Campbell University
- Carleton College
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Culinary Institute of America
- College of Wooster
- Columbia College
- Denison University
- Drexel University
- Emory University
- Franklin & Marshall
- George Washington University
- GeorgiaTech
- Goshen College
- Grinnell College
- Hofstra University
- Indiana Bloomington
- Indiana University
- Ithaca College
- Kelley Business School
- Kendall College
- Knox College
- Liberty University
- Marian University
- Mercyhurst
- Merrimack College
- Moody Bible College
- New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts
- New York Film Academy
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Northwestern University
- Occidental College
- Ohio State University
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- Olivet College
- Pennsylvania State University
- Pepperdine University
- Purdue University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Santa Clara University
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Savannah College of Art And Design
- St. Olaf University
- State University of New York at Buffalo
- Stony Brook University
- Syracuse University
- The University of Texas at Arlington
- U Mass Amherst
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Central Florida
- University of Charleston
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado Boulder
- University of Illinois - Urbana Champagne
- University of Indiana Bloomington
- University of Maryland
- University of Massachusetts Amherst
- University of Michigan
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Rochester
- University of South Florida
- University of Southern California
- University of Texas, Austin & Dallas
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin - Madison
- Virginia Tech
- Washington University

A COMMUNITY SPANNING GEOGRAPHIES AND GENERATIONS

For over 100 years, Kodaikanal International School has attracted a diverse and highly qualified staff with its academic reputation, the safety, seclusion, and beauty of Kodaikanal and the unusual warmth of its international community life. We continue to attract a caliber of academic staff with which few international schools can compare.



120
Staff Body

15
Nationalities
represented
by Staff Members



63
Master's
Degree

9
PhDs



71
Academic
Staff Members



Kodaikanal International School strives to maintain relations and connections with and amongst its 'global family.' As a School we seek to create lifelong relationship with every Alumni in order to advance in our mission of lifetime connectedness and networking between the School and Alumni and between the Alumni themselves.



6000+
Alumni
World Wide



80
Chapters Around
the World



Class of 2019
67
Graduates

NOTABLE ALUMNI

- **Christopher Sinclair** (Class of 1968) is the former Chairman and CEO of Mattel Inc. and Pepsi-Cola. He is currently the Chairman of Reckitt Benckiser plc., a consumer health, and household products company.
- **Schauna Chauhan** (Class of 1995) is known as one of India's most powerful businesswomen. She is the current CEO of Parle Agro, a pioneer in the Indian beverage industry.
- **Trine Joranli Eskedal** (Class of 1989) holds the diplomatic post as Norwegian Ambassador General to Sri Lanka.
- **Bruce Campbell** (Class of 1973) is the Director of the pacific sub-regional office of the United Nations Population Fund, based in Fiji.
- **Kai Bird** (Class of 1969) is a Pulitzer Prize-winning author and columnist, known for his biographies of political figures.
- **Rajiv Santhiapillai** (Class of 1987) is the Deputy CEO, CFO & Executive Director of ABC International Bank plc (ABCIB) in the UK.
- **Sasha Mirchandani** (Class of 1991) is the Managing Director and Founder of Kae Capital and Co-founder of Mumbai Angels, a premier platform in India focused on venture investing.
- **Romulus Whitaker** (Class of 1960) is an Indian herpetologist and wildlife conservationist awarded the Padma Sri by the President of India (the fourth highest civilian award), for his work done in the field of wildlife conservation.
- **Tamara Abed** (Class of 1992) is a social worker and the Senior Director of the Executive Management Committee of BRAC. BRAC is a Bangladesh-based development organization creating opportunities on human rights, social empowerment, education, health, and environmental and disaster preparedness for countries across the globe.
- **Vinay Ramesh** (Class of 2014) is the Co-founder of Wildfire Technologies Inc., a hyper-local news app with a rapidly growing subscriber rate in the US. The founding team was recognized in the '2019 Forbes 30 under 30 in Consumer Technology'.



KIS DIFFERENCE

The school takes advantage of its unique location at 7000 feet in the Palani Hills, providing students an unparalleled experience of the environment, special contributions to the local community and extraordinary adventures with nature. The international community at KIS gives students the opportunity to take up a range of music skills and advance their talents on the sporting playgrounds. Our students participate in a variety of national and international experiences through multi-disciplinary foreign exchange programs, conferences, and competitions.

Hiking and Camping have been a staple feature of KIS since 1991. Hiking provides a change from the routine and serves as good exercise. Camping is designed to give students the opportunity to explore the natural beauty of the Western Ghats at our 100-acre off-campus camping property to raft, canoe, swim, explore archery, zipline, and enjoy the different climbing facilities.

KIS has a longstanding tradition of excellence in the Arts, particularly Music and Theatre. KIS provides an atmosphere and support system for students to explore their artistic aspirations in a variety of performing arts. The Arts programs offered at KIS are a distinctive feature of the KIS curriculum. Excellence in the field of Arts is a significant portion of the KIS education and our alumni include a host of distinguished stars on the big and small screens, artists and professional musicians and composers.

KIS welcomes students from a variety of academic, learning, ethnic and cultural backgrounds. The strong support system and resource availability at KIS enhance the quality of education for individuals with learning difficulties by providing suitable approaches to make them independent learners. The student-focused support programs help with time management, planning & organization and the development of appropriate study skills.

Extracurricular programs have been designed for students to contribute positively to the local community and sustaining the natural environment. Initiatives are aimed at blending the classroom-teaching program with a variety of community-oriented activities providing students with abundant opportunities for enriching personal growth, enhanced civic awareness and a progressive global outlook in line with the KIS vision and mission.



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ISHITA
At KIS, you not only learn to absorb, but also process what is being taught and understand how it is **RELEVANT TO OUR LIVES**. Teachers are always willing to **ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS** no matter how many times you ask the same question. KIS is a very **FRIENDLY** and **NURTURING ATMOSPHERE** and it becomes a part of you.
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Class of 2020
Saudi Arabia



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MARIE
I had initially planned on being at KIS for a year to learn English and **MEET NEW PEOPLE** in a new country. After being here, I learned much more than just English. I was able to pick up other languages and most importantly, I learned about **DIFFERENT CULTURES**.
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Class of 2020
Switzerland



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LIYA
The International Baccalaureate program is definitely hard and challenging. But, it makes a student become independent and **READY FOR COLLEGE** and beyond.
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Class of 2020
Saudi Arabia



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SHANTANU
When I came to Kodaj I had a chance to go hiking and be **ADVENTUROUS**. It also helped me grow closer with my friends on the hikes. The KIS experience goes **BEYOND** the traditional 4 walls of a **CLASSROOM**.
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Class of 2021
India



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