

QSI International School of Suriname 2023-24 SCHOOL PROFILE



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QSI International School of Suriname 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 35+ schools in 30+ countries, with headquarters in Malta.

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

History & Academics

- Founded in 2018
- Accreditation through Middle States Association (MSA)
- Affiliated with the U.S. Department of State Office of Overseas Schools (AOS)
- American college preparatory curriculum
- Private, nonprofit international school
- Language of instruction: English
- AP courses offered

Enrollment

- 120+ students Preschool through Secondary IV (Pre-K through grade 12)
- Students represent 19 nationalities

GPA and Rank in Class

Due to the nature of our school and the small class sizes QSI International School of Suriname does not rank students. The cumulative GPA on the student's transcript only reflects courses taken at QSI. Grades from previous schools are not included in the GPA but they are listed on student transcripts.

Faculty

- Leadership is experienced in FIVE QSI countries.
- 50% of faculty members hold post-graduate degrees
- Educators from North America and the Caribbean
- Vibrant local support staff for arts, electives, and language studies.

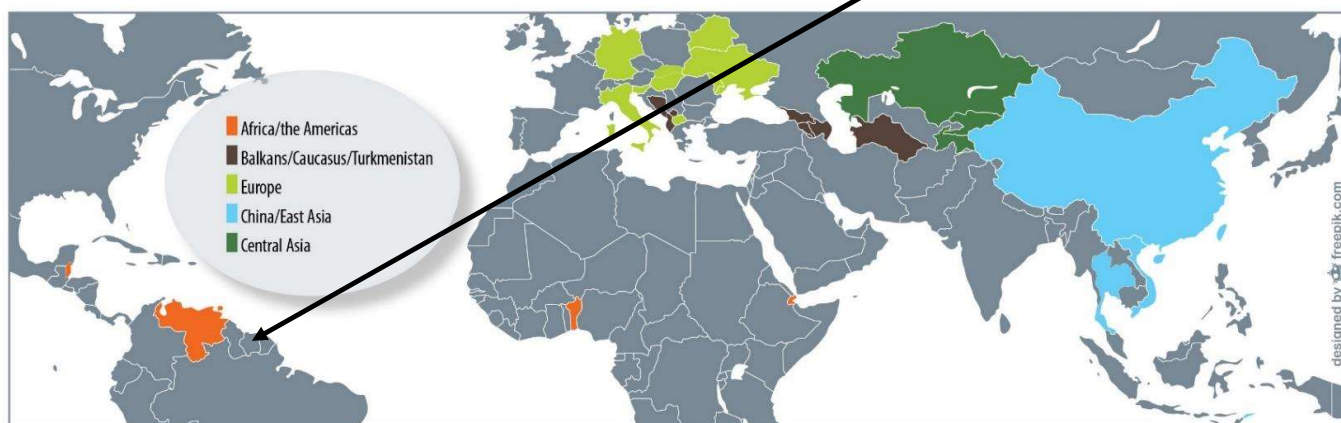
SAT Scores

We are a registered SAT Testing Site. Students in our secondary program are encouraged to take the SAT at least once each year.

MAP Scores

QSI students worldwide score at or above the U.S. and international school (1400 schools) average on the NWEA MAP test.

QSI International School
Paramaribo, Suriname
Population of Paramaribo is 250,000



Advanced Placement Program

QSI International School of Suriname offers onsite AP classes and online AP classes. We do not have a set limit on the number of AP classes that students can take.

Secondary students have taken the following classes on site in recent years:

- o AP Art History
- o AP Biology
- o AP Calculus
- o AP Chinese Language and Culture
- o AP Human Geography
- o AP Modern World History
- o AP Psychology
- o AP Statistics

Graduation Requirements

The school offers three diplomas.

Academic Diploma with Honors: 24 Carnegie Units (240 QSI Unit Credits)

Requirements are the same as The Academic Diploma with the added condition that accumulated credits include at least two IB certificates or Advanced Placement (AP) courses. A total of 240 credits are required for this diploma.

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

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General Diploma-22 Carnegie Units (220 QSI Unit Credits)

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

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

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 Cs and Ds, 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.

Course Offerings, Electives, and Extracurricular Activities

English:

Literature I & II
Writing I & II
American Literature
British Literature
Research Project
Technology

Mathematics:

Algebra I & II
Geometry
Pre-Calculus
Calculus

Science:

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Physical Science
Science Applications

Cultural Studies

World Geography
Human Geography
World History
U.S. History
World Governments
Economics

Personal Health:

Wellness
Physical Education
Advanced Fitness

Languages:

Dutch
Spanish

Fine Arts:

Art
Photography
Music

Extracurricular:

School Council

QSI International School of Suriname

QSI Schools prepare students for college and university. The post-secondary schools that QSI graduates attend span a wide range of nations and disciplines. Highly selective colleges and universities welcome QSI graduates.

United States: College of William and Mary Columbia University Cornell University Harvard University Rutgers University Syracuse University Tufts University University of California University of Michigan University of Southern California University of Virginia Yale University	United Kingdom: Newcastle University University of Edinburgh University of Manchester University of Oxford
	Canada: McGill University University of British Columbia University of Toronto University of Waterloo
Europe: Charles University – Prague Delft University of Technology John Cabot University – Rome University of Wroclaw – Poland Webster University - Vienna	Asia: Hanyang University – South Korea Hong Kong Polytechnic University – Korea Nagoya University – Japan Notre Dame University - Lebanon