Grade Placement Equivalents

ISKL operates on a Northern Hemisphere calendar. Our academic year starts in August and is divided into two semesters, August to December and January to June. Grade placement is determined by a student's age and previous school experience. Students from a different school calendar are required to continue in the year group in which they were placed in August of the current academic year.

ISKL	Australia	Canada & United States of America	China, Japan, Korea, & Taiwan	France	India	International Baccalaureate	Malaysia & Singapore	Netherlands	New Zealand	Norway	United Kingdom
Prep Reception	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery	Maternelle Petite	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery		Nursery		Nursery
Prep Junior	Pre-Kindergarten	Pre-Kindergarten	Pre-Kindergarten	Maternelle Moyenne	KG 1	Prep Junior	Pre- Kindergarten	Groep 1	Reception		Reception
Prep Senior	Kindergarten	Kindergarten	Kindergarten	Maternelle Grande	KG 2	PYP 1	Kindergarten	Groep 2	Year 1	Year 1	Year 1
Grade 1	Year 1	Grade 1	Grade 1	Elementaire CP	Class 1 Standard 1	PYP 2	Standard 1 Primary 1	Groep 3	Year 2	Year 2	Year 2
Grade 2	Year 2	Grade 2	Grade 2	Elementaire CE 1	Class 2 Standard 2	PYP 3	Standard 2 Primary 2	Groep 4	Year 3	Year 3	Year 3
Grade 3	Year 3	Grade 3	Grade 3	Elementaire CE 2	Class 3 Standard 3	PYP 4	Standard 3 Primary 3	Groep 5	Year 4	Year 4	Year 4
Grade 4	Year 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Elementaire CM 1	Class 4 Standard 4	PYP 5	Standard 4 Primary 4	Groep 6	Year 5	Year 5	Year 5
Grade 5	Year 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Elementaire CM 2	Class 5 Standard 5	PYP 6	Standard 5 Primary 5	Groep 7	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6
Grade 6	Year 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	College 6 eme	Class 6 Standard 6	MYP 1	Standard 6 Primary 6	Groep 8	Year 7	Year 7	Year 7
Grade 7	Year 7	Grade 7	Junior High 1	College 5 eme	Class 7 Standard 7	MYP 2	Form 1 Secondary 1	Brugklas	Year 8	Year 8	Year 8
Grade 8	Year 8	Grade 8	Junior High 2	College 4 eme	Class 8 Standard 8	MYP 3	Form 2 Secondary 2	2e Jaar	Year 9	Year 9	Year 9
Grade 9	Year 9	Grade 9	Junior High 3	College 3 eme	Class 9 Standard 9	MYP 4	Form 3 Secondary 3	3e Jaar	Year 10	Year 10	Year 10
Grade 10	Year 10	Grade 10	Senior High 1	Lycee 2 nde	Class 10 Standard 10	MYP 5	Form 4 or 5 Secondary 4 or 5	4e Jaar	Year 11	Year 11	Year 11
Grade 11	Year 11	Grade 11	Senior High 2	Lycee 1 ere	High Sec 1	IBDP (1st Year)	Form 6 (L) Junior College 1	5e Jaar	Year 12	Year 12	Year 12
Grade 12	Year 12	Grade 12	Senior High 3	Lycee Terminale	High Sec 2	IBDP (2nd Year)	Form 6 (U) Junior College 2	6e Jaar	Year 13	Year 13	Year 13

ISKL is an International School with an international curriculum. The first semester of any school year runs from August to December and the second semester runs from January through to June. You can find the detailed calendar on our website. Please note when determining grade placement the Admissions Team takes into consideration the student's date of birth, previous school experience including the school system in which the student was a part of, amongst others. Students coming from a different school calendar (like Malaysia, Singapore, Korea, Japan, India, Australia, and New Zealand) are required to continue in the year group in which they were placed in August of the current academic year.

Example: If your child is coming from an Australian system, and is attending Year 6 in August 2026, they will be placed in Grade 6 at ISKL for the 2026-2027 academic year.

A change in placement does not occur for the purposes of acceleration towards graduation. Grade 12 students who are new to ISKL (non-IB) must begin classes within the first four weeks of school. Grade 12 IB Diploma candidates who are new to ISKL must begin on the first day of the school year. Grade 11 IB Diploma candidates must start within the first four weeks of school.

If you have any questions, please contact us at admissions@iskl.edu.my

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