Lycée International
AMERICAN · SECTION

Eighth Grade (*Quatrième*)

American Section Program

Curriculum information: www.americansection.org/academics/the-middle-school/seventh-grade-cinquime

Bilingual Native-level English and French (4 hours of Literature and 2 hours of History)

American Section Class Size: two classes of 20 students each (Collège Marcel Roby) and one class of 18-20 (Lycée International).

Placement

Estimated number of places available next year: 1-2 places for French immersion, 0-2 places for Bilingual

Placement options (two):

1) **Full-time at the Collège Marcel Roby**: The majority of our Middle School students attend classes on this campus conveniently located in the center of Saint-Germain-en-Laye. The American Section runs two classes per level here with 20 students each. Spanish and Russian section students also attend classes on this site as well as students from the catchment area. We hope to have one or two places become available on this site for **bilingual** candidates. Please note that acceptances come very late in the year (June).

2) **Full-time at the Lycée International**: The American Section runs one class per level on this site. Priority for this campus will go to candidates who qualify for the French-immersion program (*FS*). The American Section will have one or two **French-immersion (*FS*)** places become available in this class next year. There will not be any openings available for bilingual candidates on this site.

Eligibility

Age: 13 years old (Candidates should be born in 2014 to enroll in this class.)

Level of English: Applicants must possess native-level English (spoken, written, comprehension) to be considered for the program.

Level of French: Bilingual applicants must provide either French grade reports or CNED reports (cours à distance) in order to apply. If these are not available then you must have an approval from the Admissions Office to apply. Non-Francophones applicants must apply to the French-immersion program.

Foreign Language (*Langue Vivante*) prerequisite: Bilingual applicants must have two additional foreign languages in order to join the program at this grade level. Students should have at least two years of study in two of the following languages: Spanish, German, Russian, Chinese, or Italian. French immersion candidates must have at least two years of study in one of the foreign languages listed above.

Applications

Applications should be submitted online via the American Section website from December 1 to January 8 for the following school year at: www.americansection.org/admissions/your-application

Required documents: Birth certificate, photo, English grade reports (three years including the current year, all trimesters/semesters), French grade reports for bilingual applicants (three years including the current year, all trimesters/semesters), two writing samples, CNED reports (if necessary), curriculum information, and an English teacher recommendation (form provided by the American Section). Complete instructions and access to forms will be available online in December.

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Testing

A written test is required for all candidates. An individual interview may be scheduled at a later date for selected candidates as part of a second round of assessments.

Local candidates: A written test will take place on-site at the Lycée International on **Wednesday afternoon, January 27, 2027**. Details will be sent to candidates by mid-January. Based upon the written results, selected candidates will receive an interview date for some time in March.

Overseas candidates: A written test will take place online **Saturday, January 23, 2027**. Details will be sent to candidates by mid-January. Based upon the written results, selected candidates will receive an interview date for some time in March.

French Immersion/*Français Spécial* (FS) program

This is a specialized track for candidates who do not yet speak French or who have very little knowledge of the language (spoken and written). The class is composed of 15-20 new students coming from all over the world. During the first year, French-immersion students will have three objectives: to assimilate a new language, to complete their grade level coursework in that language, and to maintain native-level English. The following year, the French immersion students must be ready to move into the regular bilingual classes. The *FS* program is challenging so candidates must possess a strong academic record, good study habits, and a motivation to learn a new language and integrate into a new culture.

If you are considering this option, we recommend that you contact the Admissions Office to go through details of the program before applying.

Please note that the French-immersion class at this level is run as a combined level class of eighth- and ninth-grade students.

Timeline

December 1-January 8	Application file submitted
January-April	Testing
May-June	Acceptances sent

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