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From Orientation to Adventure

I'm a new Grade 6 student, and I really like ACST. The people at the school are very welcoming, and on New Student Orientation Day, there are even students who show you around the school. After you settle in, After School Activities (ASAs) begin. I really like the ASAs at ACST because there is a variety of different ones, like soccer, pottery, and basketball.

There are also many events throughout the year, and some of them are just for Middle and High School students. My favorite event this year was the Secondary School Halloween Party because there was a costume contest, a haunted house, and snacks.

Another one of my favorite things about ACST is the Middle School Tunisian Studies Trip, which is a really fun overnight field trip. You get to see the places you're learning about in Social Studies, enjoy staying at the hotel, and spend time with your friends.
Overall, it's a very fun and welcoming school.

Ana R.
Grade 6



Feeling at Home from Day One

When I first walked into ACST, I had no idea what awaited me. I saw the big blue doors and wondered what was behind them. From my very first steps into the school, I was greeted with warm-hearted smiles and friendly greetings from many people. Right away, I felt included, and no one made me feel like I didn't belong.

Within the first few days, I got the hang of the school—but only because of the helpful students who were ready to assist right away. Everyone I asked for help responded with a positive attitude, as if they had known me for a long time. Even now, after a few months, it feels like I have known my friends for years, thanks to the inclusive environment.

Everywhere in this school, people greet me with warmth and positivity, and I hope everyone feels the same way.

Alva Y.
Grade 7



A Warm Welcome and Exciting Opportunities

When I first came to ACST I was surprised, everything was different from my old school, new people, new buildings, new teachers everything was different. Something that really impressed me as a new secondary student was how kind everyone was to me, the teachers and students were all helpful, especially inclusive towards new students. On the first day of school everyone was helping each other to show their way to class or to meet their new teachers. I also like how we can participate in different sports each season, we are able to compete against other teams (even compete outside of ACST campus.) and improve while having fun.
Overall, my experience at ACST has been both welcoming and inspiring. The supportive community, engaging classes, and opportunities to grow through sports and activities have made me feel truly at home. I look forward to continuing to learn, contribute, and make the most of my time here.

Kelea F
Grade 7



Making Friends and Learning Together

So far, my experience at ACST has been really positive. Even though I just joined this year, I've found the school extremely easy to adopt to because of the nice and supportive teachers and my classmates who are very-welcoming.

The classes are challenging in a good way, and I like how lessons, especially science, often include group work or discussions, because in my old school, there were much less classmates than this school. I'm also enjoying the campus environment and the different activities available like CCA and ASAs, which make it easier to meet people and feel involved.

Overall, ACST has helped me feel more confident and comfortable, and I think new students next year will have so much fun and exciting experiences for joining this school!

Momo J.
Grade 7



What Makes ACST Unique: A Student's Story

The past few months at ACST have not only brought me friends who will walk alongside me on this journey, but they have also opened doors I didn't even know were there. This school is truly like no other I've ever attended, whether it's because of the rich extracurriculars, the often fun and engaging lessons, or a campus that really "has it all."

One thing that really sets ACST apart from a regular school is the absence of too many exams. Most of the grading is done through engaging projects or activities that actually help you remember the lesson being taught, rather than just memorizing it and forgetting it the next day.

One example I'd like to share is one of the very first activities we did in Social Studies this year. We modeled a debate between groups related to the indigenous Huaorani community. Each team received a role and was supposed to fight for their side and ultimately try to "win."

This not only helps you remember the topic, but also makes you much more interested in it. If we had just written notes like in many other schools, I probably wouldn't even remember the lesson today. Doing so many hands-on activities—whether it's a presentation or a chemistry lab—engages students in a way that wouldn't be possible in a typical secondary school.

Something that really surprised me when I first came was how much the teachers remember about you. Many of them know not only your name, grade, or siblings, but also your favorite sport, the books you read, or even the type of music you listen to. This truly allows a real relationship to form between student and teacher, which I think is such a beautiful thing. I remember being so shocked when my mother told me that one of my teachers recognized her purely because of the facial similarities between us—this was less than a month after school started. That is not normal in any way, shape, or form.

One of my main worries before moving to Tunisia was that I would have nothing to do outside of school. In Tunisia, there are often limited opportunities for extracurriculars outside of school, whether due to language barriers or safety concerns. However, when I saw the extracurriculars ACST offers, all of my worries disappeared. The school offers everything from baking to badminton, Mandarin, robotics, and MUN. There really is something for everyone in the ASA program. ACST also offers multiple sports and athletic programs every quarter, where you can join different teams according to your level—and even travel outside the country.

Lastly, I want to highlight the many trip opportunities ACST provides, whether it's the Tunisian studies trip that every secondary school student participates in, sports trips, or academic trips like the robotics or MUN trips. These trips allow you not only to travel around the world but also to bond with friends and deepen your understanding of the activity or subject you're interested in.

I am so glad to be part of a community like the one ACST nurtures.

Adri T.
Grade 8



Feeling Confident and Supported

I had a very pleasant time at ACST on my first day of school. The teachers were all welcoming and supportive of my academic levels, along with my classmates and other new students. Anyone was willing to answer any of my questions and I felt a lot more confident at school knowing that. ACST's learner outcomes and teaching systems made it so much easier for me to learn new things fast. My overall view of ACST is that it's a great school, and I am super happy to be here.

Lilly E.
Grade 8

Welcome to ACST: My Experience

Hi there, and welcome to ACST! My name is Ilyas, and I want to tell you a little bit about what makes this school such a great place to learn.

First of all, I have amazing teachers who really want you to learn something new every day. Learning here is so much more fun than back in Germany, where I lived before. Also, this school has plenty of space for physical activities. For example, there is a huge artificial grass football field that I use almost every day. There are also indoor and outdoor basketball courts you can play on, and the school offers many after-school activities focused on sports.

Additionally, ACST has a really welcoming atmosphere, and I made friends here in just a couple of days. There are many cool people here from grades 6 to 12. ACST also offers many interesting courses you can choose from, like Media Production, where you can learn to develop your own school newspaper, or languages like German, Arabic, and French.

I hope this helps, and I look forward to seeing you in the hallway!

Ilyas G.
Grade 9



Never Left Behind

I feel that my life at ACST has been a very welcoming and supportive experience. I know that I can ask for assistance whenever I need it, and no one will bat an eye or judge me. I've received a lot of encouragement from both teachers and students.

Unlike other schools I've attended, I feel that no one gets left behind when facing a difficult task—everyone provides support to help each student overcome their challenges.

Overall, ACST is very supportive and offers a wide range of opportunities for students.

Theo K.
Grade 9



Thriving at ACST

Hi, my name is Tima! I transferred to ACST as a freshman, and at first I felt a bit timid because the school seemed so much bigger than my old one. But the moment I stepped through those blue doors, I felt welcomed by the community. I've met many new people, experienced new things, and discovered that ACST offers a wide variety of opportunities to explore such as after school activities and sports.The campus is well taken care of and has many great facilities such as the gym, library, science lab, art room, theatre, and more! Since I came to ACST, I have felt more confident in learning as teachers here are very supportive and have helped me through my academic journey. So far my favorite event at this school has been international day. I enjoyed talking to people from different cultural background learning about their countries and trying out amazing food. Overall, being in ACST's environment has helped me grow in many different ways such as academically, socially, my confidence and a lot more!

Tima K.
Grade 9



Learning, Growing, and Having Fun

My experience so far at ACST has been really positive. My classmates have all been both kind and welcoming, teachers have been supportive and engaging, and classes have been insightful and interesting.

Additionally, it's given me a lot of insight into universities and possible majors. I've also enjoyed doing after school activities, like MUN, which has been fun and has helped me improve my writing and presenting skills.

Overall, I'm really happy I joined the school, because it's a very warm environment.

Alex T.
Grade 10



A Community That Cares

Moving across countries and stepping into a new school as “the new kid” is rarely easy, but the ACST community transformed that challenge into something far more welcoming. From the very beginning, teachers and students alike offered support, kindness, and a sense of belonging that eased the transition.

Because of this warm environment, I was able to adjust quickly, find my place, and feel at home in a community that embraced me from day one.

Danaé M.
Grade 11



From Brazil to ACST

My name is Earta, and I joined ACST this year as an 11th grader. I am from Switzerland, and before coming to Tunis, I was living in Brazil, so starting a new school in a new country was a big change for me. I was a little nervous at first, but ACST made the transition much easier. The teachers are kind, patient, and always willing to help. The students were friendly and welcoming, and I was able to make friends and settle in faster than I expected. The falcon spirit really brings this school together and I am grateful to be surrounded by people of ACST.

I feel like ACST is a school where people care about each other and want everyone to do well. There are many opportunities to get involved, learn new things, and grow both inside and outside the classroom. Even though I haven't been here for very long, I already feel like I belong, and I'm excited for the rest of my time at ACST!!

Earta D.
Grade 11



Starting Fresh at ACST

Hello, my name is Isabel, and I joined ACST going into 11th grade.

The first day was definitely overwhelming—with new people and teachers, it was a lot for me. But everybody was so welcoming and always asked if I needed help finding a class or a teacher.

I was curious about Tunisia itself, and I always found someone willing to inform me about whatever I wanted to know, whether it was the best restaurant in town or how cold it gets in the winter.

The teachers took the time to explain how the class worked and reviewed the syllabus. The ACST community is so welcoming and always there to support me; it's one of the best environments I have had the opportunity to experience.

Isabel M.
Grade 11


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Tunisian Studies Trips (TST)

Explore Tunisia

At ACST, secondary students go on awesome multi-day trips all over Tunisia! These trips happen in October and are a huge part of the ACST experience—a chance to make new friends, bond with teachers, and have unforgettable adventures.

You'll explore cool places, try hands-on activities, and see what you've been learning in class come to life. Whether it's fieldwork, challenges, or just hanging out with your friends in amazing locations, these trips are full of fun, teamwork, and memories you'll never forget.

Tunisian Studies Trips aren't just schoolwork—they're an adventure you'll be talking about for years!







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HS/IB Visual Arts

Find Your Creative Voice

The Visual Arts Program at ACST is a vibrant hub of creativity, where students explore the elements of art and principles of design through different mediums. ACST artists do more than just create—they are also challenged to respond to art by analyzing the work of other artists and reflecting on the success of their own pieces. All of this is documented in their individual sketchbooks.

The program encourages students to push the boundaries of artistic innovation. Highlighting our commitment to showcasing student talent, we host two annual art shows in December and May for Grades 6–10. In March, we celebrate the IB Visual Arts Exhibition. These events mark milestones in recognizing the artistic achievements of our students, making the Visual Arts Program an integral part of the rich cultural tapestry at ACST.











Music

From Notes to Performance

Learning music together fosters communication, teamwork and shared experiences, strengthening bonds and promoting a sense of unity and belonging. The music department supports many school events, promoting spirit of family among students and family members, including concerts, open house, pep rallies and international day.













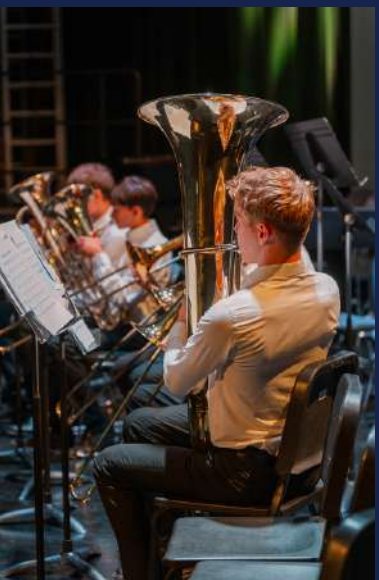





Drama

Step Into the Spotlight

The Drama program at ACST invites students to dive into the world of performance and explore the power of storytelling on stage. Students gain confidence and learn to express themselves in creative and meaningful ways.

ACST actors not only perform but also analyze dramatic works, reflect on their growth, and collaborate to bring scenes and productions to life. Throughout the year, students showcase their talents in class performances and school productions, celebrating their achievements and contributing to the vibrant artistic culture of our school.

The Drama program empowers students to build strong communication skills, and discover the joy of performance.


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World languages

Speak, Connect, Discover

The Secondary Language programs at ACST provide students with engaging opportunities to strengthen their communication skills while developing an appreciation for different languages and cultures.

In French, students build confidence in speaking, listening, reading, and writing through authentic learning experiences. Arabic students continue to make strong progress across all levels, with advanced learners expressing complex ideas through both written and spoken language, while beginners steadily develop their vocabulary, sentence structure, and conversational skills. In German, students learn the language alongside its historical and cultural context, enriching their understanding of both the language and the world around them.

Across all language programs, students are developing the confidence, communication skills, and global perspectives needed to become effective multilingual learners.













Secondary Learning Center

The Heart of Learning

The library is the heartbeat of a school—a vibrant reflection of its community. At ACST, the Secondary Learning Center (SLC) is a welcoming, dynamic space that supports learning, collaboration, and discovery. More than just a place to read books, it serves as a hub where students, staff, and parents can connect, explore ideas, and access a wide range of resources.

Whether students are looking for a quiet place to study, a collaborative space for group work, or guidance in finding reliable information, the SLC provides an environment that supports both academic success and personal growth. We are proud to offer an inclusive space where every member of the ACST community feels welcomed, encouraged, and inspired.

At the SLC, we are more than a library—we are a place where curiosity is nurtured, learning is celebrated, and our ACST community comes together to grow and thrive.



97.8%

of students at ACST participate in After School Activities or Athletics.



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Student Government Association

Shaping School Life Together

Student Government Association (SGA) gives students the opportunity to take an active role in shaping life at ACST. Members represent the student body, share ideas and concerns with school leadership, and help organize events, initiatives, and activities that enrich the school community.

SGA is a platform for developing leadership, teamwork, and communication skills, while giving students a voice in decisions that affect their peers. Through planning events, collaborating with teachers, and leading projects, students learn to take initiative, solve problems, and make a positive impact on campus.

Being part of SGA is a rewarding way to grow as a leader, contribute to the school community, and help make ACST an even better place for everyone.



National Honor Society (NHS)

Leading by Example

National Honor Society (NHS) is a prestigious organization that recognizes High School students for their academic excellence, leadership, service, and character. Being a member of NHS provides an opportunity to grow both academically and personally while giving back to the school and the broader community.

NHS members actively participate in and support activities inside and outside of school. They organize events such as International Day fundraisers, Valentine's Day activities, Spirit Days, and other initiatives that promote school spirit and community engagement. These projects allow students to connect with others, contribute positively to their environment, and practice leadership in meaningful ways.

Overall, NHS encourages members to excel academically, lead by example, and become role models within the ACST community.



Model United Nations (MUN)

Where Future Leaders Find Their Voice

Model United Nations (MUN) is a dynamic after-school activity that gives students aged 13–18 the opportunity to experience diplomacy, debate, and global problem-solving while representing different countries in simulated United Nations conferences.

MUN provides a platform for building leadership, teamwork, and a deeper understanding of global issues. Students prepare by researching complex topics and developing their public speaking, negotiation, and resolution-writing skills. Topics often include climate change, human rights, international security, and global development.

Through regional and international conferences, students gain confidence, build lasting connections, and deepen their appreciation for global affairs, making MUN one of the most enriching leadership opportunities at ACST.



Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)

Learning Through Action

CAS is a core part of the IB Diploma Programme at ACST, helping students grow beyond the classroom through real-world experiences. Centered on Creativity, Activity, and Service, the program encourages students to explore their interests, stay active, and make a positive impact in their communities.

Through CAS, students lead meaningful projects that develop leadership, teamwork, problem-solving, and reflection skills. Collaborative initiatives, including academic exchanges and community partnerships, allow students to connect with others while addressing real-world issues. Current projects, such as exploring water scarcity in Tunisia, combine learning with action and social responsibility.

CAS empowers students to become confident, compassionate, and engaged global citizens, making it an essential part of the ACST Diploma Programme experience.




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