Planning for the Future?

Preschool and Junior School at IST

A good education is the best legacy you can leave your child and IST understands that with the world becoming a global village, education should enhance a child's ability to excel anywhere in the world. While we focus on language and academics, social-emotional growth and physical development are just as important in the education of our children.

Our Preschool, which is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is full immersion in Mandarin, Spanish, German or French with curriculum that is very child centered and inquiry based.

Our Junior School is accredited by Cambridge International Examinations in the United Kingdom and is part of a community of 10,000 schools all over the world which follow this rigorous curriculum.





Our Mission

The International School of Tucson seeks to provide all its students with:

Education for an International Community

- · International-mindedness
- · International standards

Language Immersion

- Dual Immersion (biligualism)
 Biliteracy
 - · Elements of biculturalism

Values for a Global Society

Appreciation • Empathy • Commitment Enthusiasm • Confidence • Independence Co-operation • Integrity • Creativity Respect • Curiosity • Tolerance

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Opening the World to Your Child

Infant and Toddler Nursery School

Open Enrollment Hours: Monday – Friday 7am – 6pm

Email: Admissons@istucson.org to schedule a personal tour today

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Infants / Young Toddlers

We offer a safe, nurturing environment where your child will learn about themselves and their feelings and develop relationships with caring teaching staff and with other children. We will help your child acquire skills in communicating, movement and thinking.



Our staff will build and establish a relationship with your child, helping them to feel safe and loved. This relationship creates confidence in your child so that they will be ready and excited to learn new skills while in our care. We also strive to build a relationship with you and your family, prioritizing open communication so that we are working in partnership to promote the growth and development of your child.



Language

A key component to our Nursery School is language acquisition. While English will be the main language spoken by each teacher, many speak Mandarin, Spanish, German, or French so children will be exposed to each of the four languages.

For example, a German lullaby may be sung to an infant and a Spanish book about animals may be read to the toddlers. The purpose of this multilingual exposure is to help children become accustomed to the sounds of different languages which will help them to ease into our Preschool Program.

A Creative Approach

Young children learn from daily interactions with their surroundings. A carefully planned, rich environment is the foundation for our Nursery School Program. We use the criteria established by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) to guide us. The Creative Curriculum provides the framework for our classrooms—Infant through Kindergarten.

The Creative Curriculum focuses on interest areas and fosters creativity in both children and teachers. This means thinking of new ideas, obtaining information by asking questions, and learning through trial and error. Teachers' creativity is supported by a planning process that encourages them to be innovative in the use of materials and equipment and responsive to children. The Creative Curriculum provides information for developing an educational setting in which young children can thrive.



Little Cubs and Little Bears

Our Toddler Programs help your child extend their communication and social skills, learn new thinking skills and practice movement through play. Teachers develop lesson plans based on the emerging skills and interests of the children in their classrooms. There is also time in the day for child-initiated play and discovery.

Weekly lesson plans are posted in the classroom so parents can know what the lessons will be and what skills their child will be working on. Parents can help to reinforce learning by talking with their child about what they are learning at school and looking for opportunities to connect lessons to their family life and daily habits.



The Toddler Programs build upon the Infant Program by introducing new activities and learning opportunities that foster the social, emotional, physical and intellectual development of your child.