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WELCOME

You are a parent who wants your child to have a rigorous education, with a strong curriculum recognised by international bodies.

You want your child to become effectively bilingual, to be able to traverse China and make their way around the world.

You want values like commitment, initiative, filial piety and care to be instilled in your child so that they can become worthy global citizens.

You want to be involved in your child's education, be updated on their progress, to join in workshops, see them progress through the grades and have their potentials maximised.

You believe in valuable learning outside the classrooms, where students can explore opportunities in sports, aesthetics, co-curricular activities, and after school programmes to become more well-rounded personalities.

So do we. Embark on this educational journey with us, starting here.



Our Guiding Statements

Our Philosophy

SSIS believes in the holistic development of a resourceful, confident and independent learner within a caring and nurturing environment to become a global citizen.

Our Vision

The realisation of a lifelong learner with strength of character and love of humanity.

Our Mission

We are committed to develop in our students a passion for life and a love for learning through a holistic and well balanced education.

FROM EVOLUTION TO EXCELLENCE

1996

Founded the school with 18 students and nine teachers in its first year.

2001

Relocated to a new campus in Hua Cao Town, Minhang District in February, with 74 students and 25 teachers.

Set up secondary school in September due to growing demand.

2003

Received authorisation by the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO) to offer the IB Middle Years Programme (IBMYP) in May.

Introduced its golf programme.

Built its second campus on HuaJing Road, Xuhui District, with an enrolment of 147 students in September.

2005

Received authorisation by the IBO to offer the IB Diploma Programme (IBDP).

2006

Celebrated its 10th year in Shanghai by opening a brand new campus in Minhang District.

2008

Started its first After School Programme (ASP) and registered to be a part of China International School Sports Association (CISSA).

2010

Received full accreditation from both the Council of International Schools (CIS) and National Centre for School Curriculum and Textbook Development (NCCT).

Expanded its ASP and joined Shanghai International Schools Activities Conference (SISAC).

2011

Received authorisation by the Cambridge International Examinations to offer the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE).

2013

Celebrated Xuhui Campus' 10th anniversary by launching the pilot Farm-to-School Project.

2014

Received authorisation by the IBO to offer the IB Career-related Programme (IBCP) – the first school of its kind in China to earn this distinction.

2016

Celebrated 20 years of excellence in education.

Became a member of the Association of China and Mongolia International School (ACAMIS).

2018

Opened the Aquatic Centre and the Merlion Residence for teachers.

Awarded SSIS IBDP Scholarship Awards.

2019

Relocated its Xuhui Campus and integrated with the Minhang campus, and SSIS became one big happy family.

2019

Awarded SSIS Athletics and Aesthetics Scholarship Awards on its 23rd Founder's Day Celebration.

2020

Completion of the School Expansion Project which includes a state-of-the-art Performing Arts Centre, laboratories, art studios, library and multipurpose learning spaces.



WHY CHOOSE SSIS?

24

Number of years SSIS has been educating international children, with results demonstrated in the character, confidence and success of our students and alumni.

1,400

Number of students.

More than 20%

Graduates from Class 2020 matriculated at a world top-ranked #50 university.*

RMB 8.4 million

Value in undergraduate scholarships that have been offered to our students.*

197

Number of teachers.

36

Our IB average.
*All candidates included.
*No student is excluded from statistics.

100+

Co-curricular and after school activities to choose from.

16

Number of majors they're reading: Animation, Architecture, Art and Design, Biochemistry, Biomedical Sciences, Business Administration, Civil Engineering, Computer Science, Cultural Management, Economics, Fine Arts, Hotel Management, Mechanical Engineering, Medicine, Psychology and Software Engineering.*

443

Number of Grade 12 graduates since 1996.

RMB 62 million

Amount invested in the School Expansion Project which includes a state-of-the-art Performing Arts Centre, laboratories, art studios, library and multipurpose learning spaces.

36

Number of countries students come from.

10 Countries + 3 Continents

Our 2020 graduates are spread out all across the globe, in institutions including King's College London, University of Toronto, University of Hong Kong, Union College, Keio University (Tokyo), University of Edinburgh, and Carnegie Mellon University.*

*The 2020 rankings

RICH HERITAGE

SSIS has been educating international children for more than 23 years, with clear results demonstrated in the character, confidence and success of our students and alumni.

STRONG EMPHASIS ON BILINGUALISM

Our STELLAR English Programme and unique Chinese Language Programme CLASS Model help students from all backgrounds become bilingually proficient.

SINGAPORE-BASED AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

We based our Preschool and Primary curriculum on the rigorous Singapore Curriculum and followed that with world recognised IGCSE and IBDP Programmes.

STRONG EMPHASIS ON VALUES AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

We develop globally-minded citizens with a robust set of value systems. Values such as respect, initiative and care help our students to not only excel academically but even more so in the real world.

HOLISTIC EDUCATION

Our many field trips, camps, After School Programmes, co-curricular activities and community services ensure we nurture all-rounded students with a sense of their responsibilities to the world.

LIFELONG LEARNING COMMUNITY

Our teachers, staff and parents thrive on developing passions and learning together as a whole community.



A SEAMLESS K TO 12 JOURNEY

SSIS develops students with a passion for life and a love for lifelong learning. We nurture all-rounded students with a sense of their responsibilities to the world, and we develop globally-minded citizens with a robust set of value systems.

We achieve this through our K to Grade 12 journey – from Preschool to Senior School – where students are exposed to an interwoven curriculum that prepares them for each stage of promotion and participation. We ensure that the transition to each higher grade is seamless; we provide the solid foundation both in and out of classrooms to ensure they're ready to matriculate.



OUR PRESCHOOL PROGRAMME

- Emphasises a bilingual and diverse learning environment that caters to each child's interest, strengths and needs to maximise his/her potential as a global citizen.
- Provides a curriculum that integrates life skills, knowledge, values, internationalism awareness, positive attitudes, good work habits and leadership development.
- Provides a variety of learning experiences consisting of hands-on activities, multi-media experiences, field trips and mini-projects to enhance and nurture independent learning, self-motivation and confidence.
- Promotes logical thinking, problem solving and analytical skills through exploration and discovery within their learning environment.
- Prepares our young learners for formal education.



OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL PROGRAMME

- Follows the Singaporean Curriculum which is world-renowned for its Math and Science content and methodologies.
- Develops English language using STELLAR Programme as the main form of instruction and spoken language.
- Offers a unique Chinese Language and Chinese Culture Programme where students are banded into three separate competencies.
- Provides holistic educational experiences through interdisciplinary learning in STEAM, Physical Education, Farm to School Project, Art, Drama, Dance, Music and Co-Curricular Activities.



OUR SENIOR SCHOOL PROGRAMMES

Pre-IGCSE

- The two-year preparatory programme aligns skills and content with the Cambridge Lower Secondary Programme (CLSP) curriculum, thus paving the way for success in IGCSE and beyond.
- Unique SSIS programmes include Singapore-based Mathematics, Chinese Language and Culture, Music, Drama and ICT.
- Includes Interdisciplinary Research Projects such as STEAM, Science Fair and Culture Fair etc.

IGCSE

- International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) is a two-year course at the end of which students sit for examinations set by Cambridge International Exams, a division of the University of Cambridge.
- Is the world's most popular international qualification for students in the 14 - 16 age group.
- Recognised by universities and employers all over the world, the Cambridge IGCSE provides a strong foundation for higher level courses, such as the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP).
- Aims to cultivate the development of critical skills in students, including creative thinking, enquiry, and problem solving. In doing so, the programme lays the vital groundwork for subsequent lifelong learning.

IBDP

- International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) is a rigorous programme which effectively prepares our students for university life and beyond.
- Aims to produce students not just with an excellent breadth and depth of knowledge, but with the skills to succeed physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically.
- Includes core subjects like Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) and Extended Essay (EE).





ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

At SSIS, we offer valuable opportunities outside of the classroom, and we hope that all students will get involved in an area of interest. Students can explore new opportunities and further their passions while bringing us closer as a community. These include our year-round programmes in sports, clubs, field trips and outdoor learning activities.

Co-Curricular Activities

All Primary School students can choose from a wide range of activities taking place on Thursdays and Fridays during curriculum time.

After School Programme

All Primary and Senior School students can choose from a wide range of sports, clubs and leadership activities taking place from 15:20 – 17:00 during the school week.

SSIS Weekend Programme

Open to all students. SSIS has a range of paid programmes conducted by professional external vendors. These activities allow our students to master fundamental skills and to progress towards a higher level.

Community Involvement

The SSIS community participates in various outreach projects. We hope that through these projects, students will learn that volunteerism enhances their sense of responsibility and helps them become compassionate global citizens.

Outdoor Learning

We believe that field trips and excursions are ways of enhancing classroom learning by making real-world connections. The trips give students opportunities to observe a particular environment which enables a first-hand, learning experience.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

SSIS provides a highly supportive environment for each child's learning and helps each child to reach their full potential – both academically and socially – within an international school setting.

The **Intensive Support Programme (ISP)** provides additional support to students requiring extra assistance learning the English Language. We place students in flexible groupings according to their assessed levels. They move through learning groups as their language proficiency improves. Parents also receive an individualised report each term detailing progress made in the ISP programme.

The **Optimal Learning Programme (OLP)** meets students' distinct learning needs by both allowing beginner learners who require extra support, and advanced learners who need more significant extension and stimulation, more flexibility.



SSIS SCHOLARSHIPS

SSIS celebrates more than two decades of excellence and anticipates more successes in the years ahead. The school wants to recognise our students' relentless effort in living up to the School Motto: "Strive for Excellence".

Grade 7 – 11 students: SSIS Athletic Scholarship and SSIS Aesthetics Scholarship

Grade 11 and 12 IBDP students: SSIS IBDP Scholarship

Among other benefits, scholarship holders can look forward to receiving between 50 – 100 per cent tuition cover. All scholarships are open to new and existing SSIS students who meet the eligibility criteria.



PREPARED TO SUCCEED

Counselling and University Guidance

Our counsellors bring over 40+ years of educational experience, and have global perspectives gained from attending counselling conferences both in Asia and around the world, and thus have the most up to date knowledge and best practices to ensure our students succeed.

Structured Social-emotional Learning Programme

Our Primary Counselling Programme is designed to support our diverse student demographic. We provide a safe and happy environment to allow for social and emotional growth. The Social-emotional Learning Programme focuses on decision making, social awareness and resilience in Grades 7 and 8 while taking into account the changes and transitions faced by these teenagers. In later grades we give students the opportunity to learn and reflect on their own personal development looking at both mind and body, wellness, relationships and skills.

University Application Counselling

Our Grade 7 to Grade 12 Senior School students receive advice on career and university admission requirements through individual counselling and university preparation class by our counsellors.

University application counselling also involves one-to-one academic advice where students meet one to one with their counsellor to develop their university school list, craft their university personal statement and essays, prepare for application interviews and receive advice on accepting university offers. We organise regular presentations by guest speakers and visiting university admissions personnel.

Annual University Fair

Last year we had our largest university fair yet with 116 post-secondary institutes participating from 16 different countries. For our 5th annual SSIS University Fair, we already have many universities signed up and are looking to have our largest fair yet!

Career Talks

Students participate in a life skills curriculum that includes career exploration at our annual event. During our 2018 Career Day, guest speakers, some of whom are our SSIS parents, shared their educational and work experience with our Senior School students from the Public Speaking, Human Resources, Biomedicine and Psychology fields.

SUPPORT SERVICES

We create a safe environment where parents will be 100 per cent assured with entrusting their child into our care. We are happy to receive any feedback from you to further enhance the safe and healthy environment we have at SSIS.

Child Protection

At SSIS, the care of your child is our priority. Under the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child and according to our Guiding Statements, we recognise that it's our duty to protect children from harm and to respond to concerns of child abuse.

We do everything to ensure that they are happy, secure and confident; we know that happy students make better students!

Campus Safety

We continually upgrade our services – food allergen labelling, segregation of bathroom facilities, bus rides and cyber wellness – to make our school a safer and happier place for your child. The Campus Safety Committee – made up of school administrators and Operations Managers – meet on a monthly basis to scrutinise all aspects of Campus Safety.

Health Facilities

We have an on-campus Health Centre where certified nurses are on duty to provide medical support in the event of illnesses and injuries. The nursing staff also provides on-site services for all after school activities and sporting events.

Professional Kitchen Crew and Facilities

SSIS has successfully earned the ISO 22000 Certification, which validates the high level of standards our kitchen staff and the team of chefs have achieved. They're professional and purposeful: the chefs' menus include a delicious range of proteins, grains, seasonal fruits and vegetables, with dishes from Chinese, Western, Japanese, South Korean and Southeast Asian cuisines.

School Bus Service

SSIS offers optional school bus service for our students; we outsource the school bus services to reputable and qualified bus operators in Shanghai. A Bus Monitor on each bus supervises the safety and discipline of students and communicates with parents when necessary.



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

SSIS believes in a strong home-school partnership, and this relationship is pertinent to student success. The school actively engages parents through different channels of communications, collaborates with our Parent Support Group (PSG) on school events, and models lifelong learning through parent education workshops.

“ I love getting involved and giving back to the community – parents lead by example. If we demonstrate lifelong learning practices, our children become our allies, and all our lives are enriched. ”

Sunny CHO
(Vice-President of PSG Committee)



Get Involved!

- Volunteer your time towards school activities and events
- Mentor our students by providing internship opportunities
- Speak at our parent workshops or Career Day
- Share your feedback with us through surveys and our Tea With Divisional Principal sessions
- Sign up and attend our Parent Education Programme



APPLY TO SSIS

Step 1: Visit Us

Sign up for one of our Meet with the Principal sessions, or register via our website to arrange for a private school tour. You have got to come see our community!

Step 2: Register for the Admissions Test

All applicants to Grade 1 and above are required to complete an Admissions Test. Registration can be done via our website: www.ssis.asia > Admissions.

Preschool applicants will be required to go through an Admissions Interview.

Step 3: Submit Documents

Submit all documents pertaining to your child's applications no later than two weeks before the Admissions Test / Interview date.

Please refer to website: www.ssis.asia > Admissions > Apply for list of documents to be submitted. Please remember to bring the original documents to the Admissions Office for verification on the day of the Admissions Test / Interview.

Step 4: Make Payment for Admissions Test & Complete the Test

Please arrive at least 20 minutes before your child's Admissions Test begins. Payment methods include bank transfer, and on-site payment via credit card or cash.

Step 5: Complete Your Application

Successful applicants will receive the SSIS Admissions Notification after confirmation of the Admissions Test result. Upon receipt of this notification, the registration fee should be paid within five working days.

Find out more: www.ssis.asia/admissions/apply/

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