

SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Introduction

Becoming a student at the International School of Düsseldorf (“ISD” or “the school”) involves the following four legal relationships:

1. **Membership** of the parents in the association that operates and carries ISD. This association is the **International School of Düsseldorf e.V.** (hereinafter referred to as “**ISD**”). In order to become a member of the ISD community, parents apply for membership, and agree to adhere to ISD’s articles of association (the “statutes”), by signing the admission form/membership application (page 6). The statutes are available upon request.
2. **Membership** of the parents in **Förderverein Deutscher Internationaler Schulen e.V.** (hereinafter referred to as “**Förderverein DIS**”). The Förderverein DIS engages in the financial support of the school. Parents apply for membership, and agree to adhere to the Förderverein DIS articles of association (“Förderverein DIS statutes”) by signing the admission form/membership application form (to be found on this site under “Home”). A summary of the financial support rules relating to Förderverein DIS is enclosed or will be made available on request. The Förderverein DIS statutes are available upon request.
3. Parents are a party to the **School Agreement**. This school agreement contains the contractual terms and conditions for attending ISD as an educational institution. Parents agree to adhere to the school agreement by signing the admission form/membership application (to be found on this site under “Admission Form and Membership Application”.)
4. Parents and students are a party to ISD’s **Partnership Agreement**. The partnership agreement contains certain principal covenants and commitments of anyone involved in the ISD community, representing fundamental rules and guidelines which are essential to the functioning of the school. Parents and students, ISD and its staff all agree to adhere to the partnership agreement. Parents and students agree to it by signing the Admission Form/Membership Application (continued).

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Terms and Conditions of the School Agreement

The student's admission to and education at ISD are subject to this school agreement. Parents must submit to the admissions manager at Förderverein DIS a completed and duly signed set of admission documents as described in the checklist("Admission documents-Introduction"). The student must meet the legal conditions set out in German school and educational laws as well as the academic and personal admission standards set by ISD. Decisions on admission will be made by the relevant ISD principal. In cases of doubt, admission may depend on successful completion of an entrance test or a probationary period at the school.

Parents and students agree to obey the rules and regulations set by ISD in respect of its operations, and to support its mission, philosophy and policies. Written notices from the school concerning any default by the student in disciplinary or educational matters shall be addressed to the parents.

Parents shall keep the school informed of any change in contact details, such as address, employer, and telephone numbers (home, work and mobile). This is vital for two purposes: firstly so that we can contact you quickly for safety and security purposes, and secondly so that you can exercise your democratic rights as members.

Parents shall keep ISD informed of the physical, mental and emotional development of the student. If the school is not informed of important facts concerning the student, or if relevant information is withheld concerning past difficulties which would make it difficult to integrate the student into the school environment, ISD shall be entitled to terminate the school agreement.

ISD's financial needs beyond government funding are met by financial contributions from the parents. Parents may arrange such contributions through a third party such as an employer, but will remain responsible if such third party support is not paid. The school's financial needs shall be met in ways and means compatible with German private school finance requirements. Students shall not be segregated according to wealth of parents. Parents unable to contribute to Förderverein DIS to a degree that the school's financial needs can be covered appropriately may apply to the Board of Förderverein DIS to have their financial situation reviewed, and may apply to the school to participate in any available financial aid programme.

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Term of the Agreement

Either party may terminate the school agreement as of 31 December or 30 June of each year by giving three months' prior written notice.

Notice of termination from the school shall be given by the Director in consultation with the Board of Trustees of ISD.

In addition, either party may terminate the school agreement at any time for an extraordinary, important reason, e.g. a student violating ISD's attendance or other regulations, or a reason relating to a breach of the terms and conditions of the school agreement or membership of Förderverein DIS.

In the event of immediate termination by ISD for an extraordinary cause, the agreed financial contribution promised to Förderverein DIS shall be payable up to the end of the period for which the commitment was made.

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of the school agreement shall not affect any other provision. The parties shall replace any invalid or unenforceable provision by a valid clause which serves the parties' purposes as expressed in this agreement. The same shall apply if the parties find that a necessary or advisable provision has been omitted.

This agreement shall be subject to German law.