



The Walworth Barbour

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

In Israel Inc.

John E. Gates
Superintendent

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Dear Parents:

Thank you for enquiring about our school program. Each school year, we welcome approximately 150 new students to the AIS community. We are proud of the friendly, yet purposeful, learning environment we have created and we want you to garner a sense of that atmosphere. We are organized in three units, elementary, middle and high school, and our instructional programming is determined accordingly.

Our new state of the art campus is located in the town of Even Yehuda, approximately 25 kilometers North of Tel Aviv. The new campus – which is three times the size of our former campus - includes three separate schools, a performing arts building and auditorium, a gym, full cafeteria, library and media center, athletic fields, tennis courts, a pool and many other facilities.

In order to enroll your child in AIS, you must submit a completed Family Registration Form and a Student Application Form for Academic Year 2010-2011. Registration forms may be downloaded from the school website address: <http://wbais.org/> under “*About Us*” and then “*Admissions.*” To reserve a place in the school or to be placed on our waiting list, all application forms must be completed and accompanied by a deposit of 10,000 NIS per student. All school fees are due by August 31, 2010. Final admission is contingent upon meeting all admission requirements and a successful interview with the school counselor. We recommend that you submit your application and deposit for each new student as soon as possible in order to secure a place. If your family plans change, requiring the student to withdraw (prior to entering the school and having been tested,) 6,500 NIS of the deposit fee will be refunded.

It should also be noted that ***included in the tuition fee are two summer PE uniforms, one polo shirt, five short sleeved T-shirts, 1 zipper sweatshirt, a yearbook for each student, school photos, and an assignment book for students in grades 6-12.*** PE sweat suits and additional school uniforms may be purchased from the school’s shop, the Falcon’s Nest. ***The order form for the uniforms may also be downloaded from our website and is also available in the school offices.***

Personal interviews are usually scheduled following receipt of all application materials and the deposit. During that interview, the counselor will discuss with you and your child his/her school experience and aspirations, as well as administer placement tests in English and mathematics. Experience has taught us that, for children changing their language of instruction, significant issues may arise if coupled with learning differences. Therefore, we require a psycho-educational evaluation for all entering Israeli students who will be changing their language of instruction so that we can give you the most complete information available on your child as a learner, and on our ability to provide a quality program for your child.

High school applicants should send transcripts of all previous years in high school indicating courses taken and grades received. In the case of a 9th grade application, 8th grade records should be sent and translated into English if necessary. High School students should also submit teacher recommendation forms to their current school to forward to AIS directly. (This form may be downloaded from the AIS website). Elementary and middle school students should submit the previous two years of report cards officially translated into English. It is also required, at the time of interview, to submit your child's passport for copying.

The following documents must be fully completed and submitted to the school before the student will be allowed to commence classes: Student Health Information Form; Physical Examination & Immunization Forms for new students (completed and signed by a physician); and a copy of the student's immunization records (translated into English, if applicable).

As a helpful hint, if any of the required documents mentioned above are not sent/faxed before the designated interview, we suggest that all forms be hand-carried during your move and not sent with your shipment. The receipt of these forms could delay the date your child may enter school.

Thank you for expressing your interest in AIS. If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact us at any time.

We look forward to welcoming you to AIS.

Sincerely yours,

John E. Gates
Superintendent

Forms to download:

- New Family Application Form
- Student Application Form
- Student Health Information Form
- Physical Examination Form for New Students
- Certificate of Immunization Form
- Records Release Form
- AIS Substance Abuse Policy Form – Grades 6-8
- Teacher Recommendation Form for Grades 9-12
- Uniform Order Form

Forms to submit:

- Report Cards of Previous Two Years (Elementary & Middle School children)
- Transcripts of all Previous Years in High School (High School children)