

Early Years - Grade 12 IB Curriculum



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INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

ISA is searching for exceptional staff for ISA Wuhan International School, located in the Wuhan Economic & Technological Development Zone District in the city of Wuhan, China. These foundation staff will lead the establishment of a community of up to 1,200 students and staff, within the growing family of ISA schools.

The opening of ISA Wuhan will create a new model for ISAIEG, bringing together two separate schools in the same location: ISA Wuhan International School and ISA Wenhua Wuhan School. This model will be used across a number of ISA schools being planned for China, and will truly bring to life the ISA mission of providing an education that combines the very best values and practices from the East and the West.

ISA Wuhan International School will be focused on supporting exceptional teachers and leaders who are willing to embrace a Reggio Emilia-inspired Early Years programme leading into the IB PYP, MYP and DP - educators who are creative, collaborative, prepared to share their expertise with colleagues and contribute to the school as a whole. With that in mind, candidates for should be forward thinking with a strong interest in international education and an appreciation for working with multiple cultures. All staff will be invited to assist in the development of the culture of the school and work together to create an ethos of continuous improvement to enhance learning outcomes for students.

ISA is a rewarding and challenging place to work, both personally and professionally. Our community of schools is a truly international learning environment with a mix of students from China and around the world. We are fortunate to have a committed group of international and local staff who have access to award winning facilities.

Click $\underline{\mathsf{HERE}}$ to see a quick glimpse of all that ISA has to offer.

ISA VISION

INQUIRE. SUCCEED. ACT. Discover the wonders in the world. Strive to be the best that you can be. Make a positive difference in the world.

ISA MISSION

Our mission is to build a network of exceptional schools strategically located in China and abroad. We are committed to respecting and recognising the strengths of the Chinese culture and language, and blending that with the best practices gathered from around the world. In this way we will prepare our students to be able to study and work anywhere in the world, with one foot firmly grounded in their home culture, while at the same time being confidently prepared to face the world. Our ISA graduates will be culturally respectful, internationally-minded young men and women.

ISA

ISA has embarked on an ambitious plan to build a network of high-quality schools across China and abroad. The schools will offer either an international IB education, or the Chinese national curriculum. In some instances, such as with ISA Liwan and ISA Wuhan International Schools, an ISA Wenhua School will share the same location.

ISA Tianhe International School was the first ISA school, opened in 2015 on a unique site near downtown Guangzhou, located in a historic precinct that was formerly a canning factory. The school caters for students from Early Years to Year 5 with a Reggio Emilia-inspired Early Years programme leading to the IB PYP. ISA Tianhe has a current roll of around 400 students, with future plans to take the school up to around 700 students.

ISA Science City International School opened in August 2020 in Guangzhou Science City on the border of Tianhe and Huangpu Districts, about a 20 minute drive from ISA Tianhe. ISA Science City benefits from a state-of-the-art campus, which supports academic rigour, research, collaboration, creativity, performance and innovation for up to 1,800 students from Early Years to Grade 12. The school offers a Reggio Emilia-inspired Early Years programme transitioning into the IB PYP, MYP and DP.

In 2022, **ISA Liwan International School** and **ISA Wuhan International School** will become the next ISA schools, providing a Reggio Emilia-inspired Early Years programme that will prepare students for the IB PYP, MYP and DP. Both schools are being developed alongside an ISA Wenhua School, catering for local Chinese citizens.

ISA has also embarked on a partnership project with the Guangzhou Foreign Language School, one of the most prestigious government schools in Guangdong Province. Through the **ISA Guangzhou Foreign Language IB Programme**, ISA is providing a threeyear pre-IB Diploma and Diploma programme to a number of local Chinese students.



SCHOOL LOCATION

ISA Wuhan International School is located within the rapidly developing Wuhan Economic & Technological Development Zone (WHDZ), which was first established in the 1990s as a centre of innovation and industry. The WHDZ, located to the south-west of Wuhan along the western bank of the Yangtze River, now covers 490km² with a resident population of around 500,000. It has the highest concentration of ex-pats living in Wuhan, who enjoy a strong sense of community and a growing number of international schools. The WHDZ is divided into eight functional areas including a business park, advanced manufacturing, port logistics, general aviation & satellites, export processing area, automotive, agricultural development, and an ecological smart town.

The school's site is:

- 50min to the Wuhan Tianhe International Airport
- 50min to the Wuhan High Speed Train station
- 40min to Hankou Financial Centre
- 50min to Wuhan Optics Valley
- 50min to Chu River and Han Street
- 5min walk to the Zhushan Road Metro station (currently under construction)





ISA WUHAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

As with ISA Tianhe and ISA Science City, ISA Wuhan International School will provide an international (IB) curriculum to students holding foreign passports. The school will offer boarding in order to provide an education option to families across the greater Wuhan metro area as well as Hubei and neighbouring provinces. By coming to ISA Wuhan, staff and students will join a connected family of ISA schools that will continue to grow over time.

ISA Wuhan International School will be joined by the ISA Wenhua Wuhan School. This school will cater for Chinese nationals, offering the Chinese curriculum for Grades 1-9, leading into the senior international secondary qualifications. It is envisaged that the two schools, while legally separate, will form a model of collaboration and cross-cultural understanding.



FACILITIES

ISA Wuhan is a contemporary designed school set on the northern bank of the famous Yangtze River, with an expectation that it will become the premier school for Central China. The school is physically divided into two sections: an international school for children with foreign passports, and a Wenhua school for children with Chinese passports.

ISA Wuhan has been designed with state-of-the-art learning and teaching facilities for each of its two schools, with some spaces shared by both schools. Classrooms are generously sized and designed for diverse learning: class activities, small group discussion, silent reading and reflection, smaller labs for language learning, and informal spaces for social interaction. Each school also has specialist studios for art, dance, design and drama; specialist laboratories for science, STEM, and Maker; and assembly halls to seat 250 students. Each school has its own spacious, multi-storey canteen and café.

A pivotal part of the school is the open-plan, multistorey library which serves the entire campus and faculty.

To ensure a diverse and high-quality range of curriculum and co-curriculum offerings, ISA Wuhan will boast a 1,000-seat auditorium, two outdoor sports fields, an Olympic and a smaller learner pool, a competition level indoor sports hall, a gymnasium with cardio and weights rooms, an indoor table tennis hall, a martial arts centre, and outdoor basketball and tennis courts.

First-class boarding facilities are planned for selected grades of primary, as well as secondary students, housed in three onsite buildings. The design of boarding facilities is equal to those of other prominent boarding schools in Western countries. Students will have generously-sized bedrooms and access to a kitchenette and living rooms on each floor. Boarding students also have easy access to canteens, the café, teaching buildings and sports facilities.

Please click **HERE** to watch a video of the new school.

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Reggio Emilia-inspired Early Years programme transitioning the IB PYP,



ISA Wuhan International School (IB PYP, MYP & DP) and ISA Wenhua Wuhan School catering for Chinese nationals, offering the Chinese National Curriculum (CNC) for Grades 1-9, leading into an international qualification





GROWING NETWORK

ISA International Education Group (ISAIEG) has ambitious plans to continue developing a network of high-quality international and Wenhua schools both in China and around the world, supported by a range of educationrelated services. We believe in people and the power of positive relationships with and within our students, staff and communities. Our teachers are selected from amongst the best in the world and are supported by a wonderful group of administrative colleagues. As the number of ISA schools continues to increase, we see the enormous value of creating a network of schools, and the benefits that this brings to things such as professional learning, curriculum committees, sports and cultural interactions, and student and staff exchanges.

WHAT ISA HAS TO OFFER OUR STAFF:

- ISA's reputation as a well-respected organisation in the international community
- A strong organisational culture and mission: a diverse student body and commitment to produce students who are "independent learners / international citizens."
- A world-leading campus catering for the academic and personal needs of staff and students, including boarders
- A palpable sense of community built on trust and transparency
- A culture that embraces new ideas and uses innovation for continuous improvement
- The opportunity to help establish a positive school culture that is focused on achievement and wellbeing
- A role to play in developing a unique relationship with a sister ISA Wenhua School on the same site

CORE COMPETENCIES REQUIRED

Team-oriented Self-reflection Innovation Vision Commitment Communication Imagination Strategy Adaptability Empathy Creativity Professionalism Integrity Positivity Responsibility Authenticity

WE ARE LOOKING FOR STAFF WHO ARE...

"Passionate about our learning and wellbeing, is approachable, and listens to student feedback and voice"

WUHAN

Wuhan, with a population of over 11 million, is the capital and largest city of Hubei Province, the ninth-most populous Chinese city and one of the nine National Central Cities of China. The metropolitan area comprises three parts — Wuchang, Hankou, and Hanyang — commonly called the "Three Towns of Wuhan". The city lies in the eastern Jianghan Plain, at the confluence of the Yangtze river and its largest tributary, the Han River, and is known as "Nine Provinces' Thoroughfare" (九省通衢).

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Considered the political, economic, financial, commercial, cultural and educational center of Central China, Wuhan is a major transportation hub, with dozens of railways, roads and expressways passing through the city and connecting to other major cities. Because of its key role in domestic transportation, Wuhan is sometimes referred to as "the Chicago of China".

Wuhan consists of three national development zones, four scientific and technological development parks, over 350 research institutes, 1,656 high tech enterprises, numerous enterprise incubators and investments from 230 Fortune. Global 500 firms. The city is renowned as a centre of education in China, being home to multiple notable institutes of higher education, including Wuhan University and the Huazhong University of Science and Technology.

Hubei cuisine is one of China's ten major styles of cooking. With a history of more than 2,000 years and as a hub for land transport in China, Wuhan has gathered and mixed together various habits and customs from neighboring cities and provinces in all directions, which gives rise to a concentration of distinctive dishes.

CHINA China as a whole is a vastly compelling place to live and work. Living in the world's oldest continuing civilization is certainly nothing short of enriching and the history and culture the country can provide is unmatched. From the sunny, warm beaches of Sanya, to the ice festivals in Harbin, being in one of the world's largest countries provides limitless opportunities for travel. Holding the second highest number of UNESCO heritage sites in the world, the proximity to many amazing sights to explore is always exciting. always exciting.

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