

Learner's World International School (LWIS) Istanbul

General School Information

- ✓ **Opening:** September 7th, 2020
- ✓ **Our Motto:** We measure success one happy learner at a time!
- ✓ **International Membership & Affiliation:** LWIS Istanbul is a member of the LWIS Network across Lebanon, the UAE (Dubai) and KSA (Riyadh). LWIS Network schools offer a range of international approaches to education. Parents in Lebanon can choose the American High School Curriculum accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) or the International Baccalaureate Programme. In Dubai and Riyadh, the schools offer the American High School Curriculum respectively accredited by NEASC and Cognia. Most LWIS Network schools are Microsoft Schools and offer the Microsoft Imagine Academy program.
- ✓ **Network Reach:** The LWIS Network is home to more than 800 staff members and 5000 students from over 45 nationalities. Our graduates attend universities across the world including the United States, Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Germany, France, Spain, Italy, Lebanon, and the United Arab Emirates among many others.
- ✓ **The School:** LWIS Istanbul is a private, international, English-medium, co-educational day school (K to 12). The school aspires to become an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School like its four sister schools in Lebanon. In its first year of operation (2020-2021), LWIS Istanbul will be applying for candidacy and pursuing authorization to implement the IB Programmes starting with the Primary Years Programme (PYP).
- ✓ **Academic Year 2020-2021:** The school will start out as a Kindergarten to Grade 11 school for the first academic year 2020-2021.
- ✓ **Languages:** LWIS Istanbul is an English-medium school that will also provide English language support for non-native speakers and Turkish as the home country language. Additional languages will include Arabic or French.
- ✓ **Teaching Staff:** PYP qualified, native English language teachers with a bachelor's degree and Teaching Diploma, or a Masters degree and Teaching Diploma. The school will provide continuous in-house professional development of faculty and staff to ensure that teaching and learning are of international quality and standards. Faculty will also attend IB and PYP workshops and conferences.

- ✓ **Classrooms and Technology:** Classrooms will be equipped with state-of-the-art furniture and smart boards. Students will be provided with Android and Windows tablets and laptops to give them access to online resources, educational platforms, and interactive books to facilitate inquiry-based learning.
- ✓ **Class Size:** During the first academic year, the number of students in any given learning space will range between 10 and 15 to maximize safety and hygiene.
- ✓ **School Facilities:** Student lounges, a library, a computer and robotics lab, an art room, science labs, a covered gymnasium, a music and movement room, a theater, an outdoor sports court, as well as a jungle gym and other outdoor structures dedicated to the Kindergarten.
- ✓ **Co and Extra-Curricular Activities:** The school will offer a variety of after school activities including the Microsoft Imagine Academy, Robotics, Arts, Music, Dance and Drama, as well as Football, Basketball and Volleyball amongst other Athletics (the activity selection depends on student registration).
- ✓ **Daily Schedule and School Fees:** The school day for students will start at 8:15am and end at 2:50pm. There will be a short morning break and a longer lunch break. Students will be provided with a snack (included in school fees) and a hot lunch at extra cost. The school fees are inclusive of school uniform, copybooks and workbooks, use of hard bound and online books and platforms.

The school will provide laptops and tablets for use at school for all Kindergarten and Elementary students. A “Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)” policy will apply for Grades 6-11. The school will provide parents with required technical specifications.

Bus transportation will also be provided at an extra cost.

Schools Fees (Family and corporate packages available):

Kindergarten (EY1-EY2-EY3)	USD 6,250
Grades 1-2-3	USD 6,750
Grades 4-5	USD 7,000
G6	USD 7,500
G7	USD 8,000
G8	USD 8,500
G9	USD 9,500
G10	USD 10,000
G11	USD 11,000

- ✓ **Admissions:** Admission to the Kindergarten will include children 3 years of age by September 1 of the academic year.
- ✓ **LWIS Istanbul Community:** The school community includes the students, parents, teachers, staff, management, consultants, Board of Trustees (LWIS Network BOT) and surrounding community. During the first academic year, the students will vote for a Student Council while teachers and parents will form a Parent Teacher Association (PTA). This will allow the BOT to form an Advisory Council to include the Head/s of the Student Council, PTA, Management as well as recognized educators from the local and expat communities. The school adheres to an open-door policy where all stakeholders' input is valued.

We look forward to having you in our community of lifelong learners!