

## AGE AND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Age requirements: Students will be eligible for secondary education based on the age of admission of the public.

- 12 years old on July 31 for 7th Grade
- 13 years old on July 31 for 8th Grade
- 14 years old on July 31 for 9th Grade.

They must have been promoted to seventh grade in group 3 or, if coming another school system, to an equivalent level.

Certain exemptions may be granted for pupils born between August 1st and December 31st and who have not reached the official age of entry, in the following situations:

- when a student comes from an international system or national system other than Swiss and has validated the equivalent degrees of the Swiss primary school (1-8P) or the American system (K-Grade 6)
- when a pupil has completed the primary curriculum in a Swiss school, public or private, and has been promoted to seventh grade group 3.

We do not exclude some additional test for students wishing to join our seventh grade class as equivalent to our end-of-year 6th grade evaluations to confirm their level, their eligibility in our program.

*Report cards from the current year and the previous year will be reviewed and a day 2 trial may be requested by the school.*

Special consideration of language eligibility : Our offer being the continuity of a fully bilingual schooling, entering students will have to demonstrate the ability and motivation to develop this bilingualism in middle school.

-If a student who wishes to join middle school has a significant delay in one or the other language, French or English, the family must commit to supporting the learning of the second language before and during schooling at LIA.

-As part of the language program can be adapted to the level of the student, we will strive to offer the courses best suited to the level of each student.

-If, in some cases, the level of the student requires additional personalized instruction, this service may be charged on top of the normal tuition. In these situation, the question will be raised during the initial interview with the family and this service will be added to the financial contract if necessary.

German will be taught and students who wish to continue towards the Swiss gymnasium will be required to develop an adequate level. However, it is possible to present admission to the Swiss gymnasium only with the French, English and mathematics exams.

*Other Admission Considerations* : The family and the student are the key partners in the success of this. The student will be present during the presentation interview. In addition, the student will have to demonstrate their motivation for the program through a cover letter or other creative project.

Parents will provide the school management with all the necessary and relevant information regarding their child's schooling and health. Parents will also be transparent should any testing be ongoing or requested by the previous school.

-The Christian identity of the school will be reflected in the weekly schedule. No religious practice is expected from the family. The family must, however, position itself favorably regarding our shared Christian values.

-LIA wishes to cultivate the climate of a simple and authentic sharing of biblical texts that respects the freedom of each student. The biblical classes do not include evaluation, nor recited or obligatory prayer times, even though they are shared by all in a respectful attitude.