

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

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POLICY

The Principal will determine which students are eligible for admission.

GUIDELINES

1. The International School of Macao offers a rigorous program using English as the language of instruction. TIS uses the Alberta Programs of Study and is accredited with Alberta Education. Alberta Education requires that TIS maintain high academic standards and achievement in its students. To maintain these high academic standards, TIS realizes that not all students would benefit from, or be successful in, the program that we offer. For the benefit of students in the School and in the interests of prospective students, TIS must be selective in its admission and placement of students.

2. In determining a student's admission and placement at TIS, the Principal will consider the following:

2.1. the student's CAT (Canadian Achievement Test) scores and/or Admissions Test results;

2.2. the student's past educational performance and experiences;

2.3. the potential for the student to be successful in his/her future studies at TIS;

2.4. the grade in which the student is applying to enter.

3. Students will not be accepted into a grade beyond 1 year above/below their age appropriate level.



4. A student's acceptance may be conditional in that the student may be required to get ELL support and/or attend Homework Club for a determined period of time. The parents will be responsible for all associated costs for these services.

5. Students currently in the enrolment area (currently attending a school in Macao) will not be considered for enrollment for the current school year after March 31. After March 31 acceptance will only be for the subsequent school year commencing in September.

6. The decision regarding admission and placement of students can be appealed to the Board of Directors of the School.

PROCEDURES

1. Interested students wishing to apply to TIS will complete and submit an Application Form. These forms can be picked up at the office or downloaded from the TIS website.

2. The application fee should accompany this form and is non-refundable.

3. All applicants must attend an admission interview and/or write an admission test. Further details are provided on the Application for Admission form.

4. Parents will be notified of the test results and admission status by email.

5. Overseas applicants may be granted conditional acceptance based upon previous student progress reports but an admission test will be required once the student reaches Macao.

6. Parents needing further information are encouraged to contact the school office.

7. Students may apply a maximum of two times per school year with a minimum of one month between applications. During this time it is expected that the parents will seek tutorial assistance for their child in order to increase his/her competencies and, thus, the likelihood of success on admission retesting.

8. Parents and students should also become familiar with the TIS policy Placement and Promotion.