

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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At TIS,

we believe experiential learning allows our students to understand the theory in the classroom to practice across the real world, where personal experiences and reflections add real meaning and a sense of purpose to each student, while making the world a better place.

Hot Off the Press

TIS Infirmary Services now have a visiting doctor coming three times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Good health is a critical factor in ensuring balance.

Thought for the Week

It's not about perfect. It's about effort. And when you implement that effort into your life every single day - that's where transformation happens. That's how change occurs. Keep going. Remember why you started.

- Anon



The Magic of IB

I hope you enjoyed last week's edition of the TIS Bulletin. It was powerful reading, as we expect on a weekly basis, with the various aspects of the IB Programmes at TIS on full display.

While G11 students were involved in three days of Service Learning 'all over the place', our MYP students were involved on a grade-by-grade basis with their Interdisciplinary Units (IDUs). The impact on G7-11 students was enormous. What was so special? It was the level of student engagement and at the end of each day, students and teachers were exhausted.

At the same time, G10 students completed their Personal Project and the variety of and the enthusiasm for the many initiatives have been simply stunning.

G8 students have been working busily on their Community



Do the right thing,
even when no one
is watching.

It's called integrity.

Making Us Proud

- Kwabena Osei-Ababio for his outstanding project on the solar system.
- David Safo for his Style for Charity Personal Project.
- Lady-Margaret Hagan for her Breast Awareness Campaign Personal Project.
- Janine Apreku for her Struggles Personal Project.
- Janelle Owusu for her Silent Killer Diseases Personal Project.
- Joseph Agyemang and Peter Arthur for their CAS Project on plastic pollution.
- Edward Ojualope, Jerry Huang, Abdoul-Manane Yandja, Ezra Anim-Somuah, Charlene Akwei, Ryan Lokko, Terry Tenge, and Nana Hussein for their outstanding G7 IDU assembly performance at Thursday's weekly assembly.
- Nadia Bawumia for her amazing presentation on Self Love/Peer Buddy.
- Cecil French, Rifau Toose and Jeffrey Adjagar for reaching out to the Tema Ridge School for their G8 Community Project, Aqua with You.

Projects and again you witness some powerful learning experiences and initiatives as part of their service and action.

Please save this date: **Friday, 6 March** (Independence Day). This is **TIS Project Day** when the Personal (G10) and Community (G8) Projects will be exhibited at the TIS Sports Complex from 1.00 - 5.00pm. It will be super-special, so do not miss this event.

Sports, Exercise and Health Science

It has been most pleasing to see the large number of students in Grades 9 and 10 who choose Physical Health Education as one of their subject options for their final two years of MYP. PHE is not just playing football! It's theory and practice and the students are serious about their performance.

Due to this high level of interest at MYP level, TIS will introduce Sports, Exercise and Health Science as a new Group 4 subject for G11 next year. This will be great news for students who wish to pursue further studies in this field when they head to university.

I appreciate your support.

Dr Ken Darvall





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Primary School Campus

Admissions Open For 2020/2021 Academic Year

Flexible admission screenings and interviews

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Entry Points in 2020

Early Years

Kinder 1 (3-4 years)
Kinder 2 (4-5 years)
Kinder 3 (5-6 years)

Junior Primary

Grade 1 (5.5 - 7 years)
Grade 2 (6.5 - 8 years)
Grade 3 (7.5 - 9 years)

Senior Primary

Grade 4 (8.5 - 10 years)
Grade 5 (9.5 years-11 years)
Grade 6 (10.5 - 12 years)

All admission applications will be online via Open Apply: <https://tis.openapply.com>

A social readiness screening will be required, as part of the admission process, along with a compulsory interview with parents.

TIS is an IB World School, authorised to offer MYP and DP. The Primary School campus has been approved as a Candidate PYP School.



Tema International School



MAIN CAMPUS

SECONDARY ADMISSIONS ARE OPEN FOR 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

A family school, a unique experience.

Flexible online admission testing is available

ENTRY POINTS: Grade 7 (MYP 2) | Grade 8 (MYP 3) | Grade 9 (MYP 4) | Grade 10 (MYP 5) | Grade 11 (IB Diploma Programme)

Grade 7 (MYP 2)

Students should:

- a) Have completed Primary 6.
- b) Be aged 11+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.

Grade 8 (MYP 3)

Students should:

- a) Have completed JHS 1 or in JHS 2.
- b) Be aged 13+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.

Grade 9 (MYP 4)

Students should:

- a) Have completed Year 8 or Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE).
- b) Be aged 14+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.

Grade 10 (MYP 5)

Students should:

- a) Have completed Year 9.
- b) Be aged 15+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.

Grade 11 (IB Diploma Programme)

Students should:

- a) Have successfully completed MYP 5, the IGCSE (Or its equivalent) or awaiting the results of the IGCSE.
- b) Be aged 16+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview for non IGCSE & GCSE students (i.e. WASSCE, OCR, AQA).

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The online application process can be completed at: <https://tis.openapply.com>

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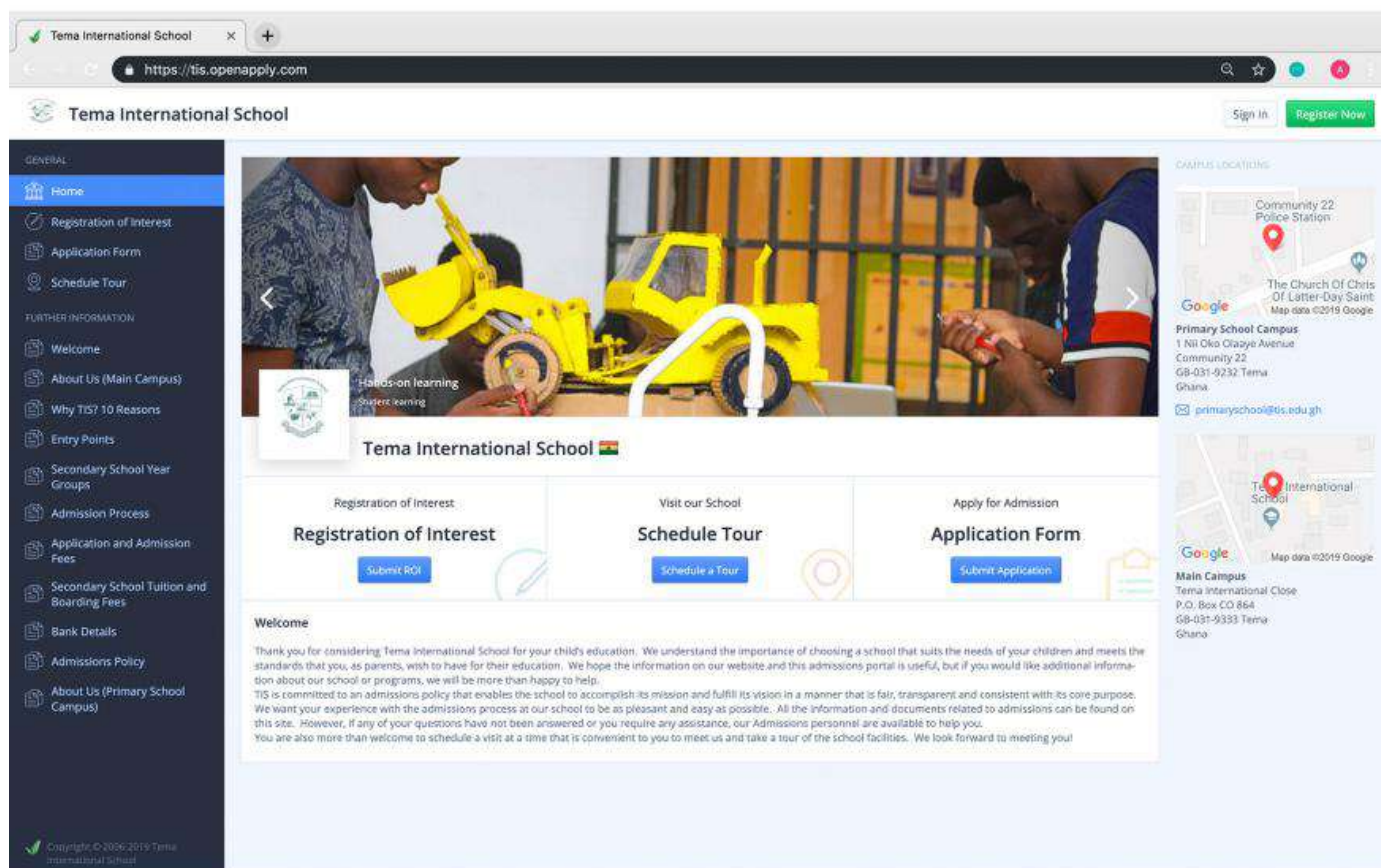
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Or come and visit the school (Opp Afariwa Farms, Off Tema-Akosombo Road)

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TIS Application Procedures



Please have the following documents available (scan onto a flash drive) before you begin with online application;

- 1 recent passport-style photo
- passport biodata page/ birth certificate
- 3 recent school reports (Grade 2-11 Applicants)
- Letter of recommendation and academic transcripts (Grade 11 Applicants)

1. Go to our admissions portal **tis.openapply.com**
2. Click on the **Sign In** button found at the top right corner of the page.
3. Click on **Sign up** here if this is your first time using OpenApply otherwise type in the email and password you used the last time you used OpenApply.

For first time users please proceed to 4. For existing users please proceed to 5.

4. Fill in **User Details** and proceed to application.
5. Ensure you fill out details correctly and attach all required documents where necessary (passport picture, passport biodata page/ birth certificate, school reports, transcript, recommendation).
6. When forms have been completed kindly proceed to make application fee payment using any of the 3 options:
 - www.expresspaygh.com/tis
 - At the Finance Office on TIS campus
 - At any Barclays Bank into the TIS Account number 1798808 or Ecobank into TIS Account number: 1441000974289
7. You will receive an email to confirm receipt of your application and the next steps towards admission **only when the application fee payment has been received.**
8. Please note that your child will be taking a Cognitive Ability Test (CAT4) as an Entrance Exam for admission at TIS. (Grade 7-11 students)

Thank you for choosing TIS. We look forward to a fantastic relationship in the coming years!



TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

SERVICE



At TIS, we believe that Service, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, provides a hands-on experience to how we can make the world a better place through action and an understanding that success comes from helping others grow and becoming empowered.



EDUCATION FOR A BETTER WORLD

PYP CORNER

EARLY YEARS

Service Learning with DP Students

Last week at the Early Years Centre, we had the pleasure of learning with Grade 11 students in a three-day engagement.

In small groups, the Early Learners participated in *'family'* activities with the student teachers. They also enjoyed an energetic aerobic session, where learners used their bodies to create musical patterns. Following this activity, students viewed a short family movie, after which they represented their family sizes in exceptionally creative pictographs. In addition, they created colourful pictures depicting the roles of selected family members. They then exhibited their work through oral presentations, in order to achieve the learning outcome, *'Responding to dramatic ideas through spoken, visual, auditory and kinesthetic media.'*

Below, the student teachers are working with learners to complete various tasks.





Numeracy and literacy interdisciplinary engagement.



DP 1 students help us create living graphs using real objects.



We are happy to share some reflections our visiting student teachers made during their three-day stint with us.

I wasn't expecting that the children would be able to know the IB Learner Profile attributes and relate them to their learning. Today was a great day, it was better than yesterday. This is because I learnt about new things and their names and had the opportunity to teach. When I went back to school, I researched the PYP program. – Kwasi

They know more than I thought they would know. They asked a lot of questions. We helped them with art and craft. In Ghana, teaching is not a good job. But being here has changed my mind because there is satisfaction with the job. I would like the chance to form a nice friendship with the Primary School. I'm sad I have to finish tomorrow. I wish I could stay. – Nestalia

We had the opportunity to teach video-incorporated Math and transport. Today I felt energetic and enthusiastic. I like it that the children reflect and get back to participating positively. I had not considered teaching because Mum is a teacher, but this experience has changed my mind. I think that peer teaching would be great for our Secondary and Primary collaboration. Tomorrow will be sad but great because we will teach again. I wish it was a whole week.

- Jadya

It was very interesting to be around young children and interact with them as I have not had this opportunity before. PYP is more interactive. I'm learning. In the other schools, it seems that the teachers are at work to get paid, it's not the same at TIS PYP. – Alberta

Here are reflections from two student teachers who engaged with Primary learners.

Primary education influences the mind. This is the formation of the mindset. I feel that giving them the right guidance is important. Children are born with the ability to think creatively, but some school systems diminish their minds. I think that the IB programs allow their creativity to grow. – Bennett

I realized that I like handling children. I like the research skills they had. Their knowledge for their age level is advanced. I was not expecting them to have such research skills. We need a lot of patience for children to develop. The children were able to collaborate together. The PYP is a very challenging curriculum for teachers and children. Children should participate in the inter school competitions. – Darius

From reflections on their experience with the learners, these DP student teachers are clearly eager to share in children's learning journey. They expressed interest in returning to assist and learn with the students through their CAS projects, which is a DP requirement. We look forward to collaborating with those who opt for school-based oriented CAS projects.

Our DP students were, however, not the only members of the School Family who joined us this week. To enable learners to participate in performing and creating music, both collectively and individually, we invited Uncle Tony to share his drumming skills and engage children in creating music with drums. It was a joy to see both young and old dance to pulsating renditions of popular children's rhymes, poems and songs. After such an experience, our Early Learners are prepared to perform new creative music and dance with their parents during our next Unit Celebration.

Through these learning engagements, students had the opportunity to take turns, as well as listen respectfully to others. These are essential skills for positive and effective interactions, on our way to becoming internationally-minded, lifelong learners.

LOWER AND UPPER PRIMARY

Use of ICT in PYP

Right from Early Years to Upper Primary, ICT is an indispensable tool in the PYP curriculum framework. The use of technology supports learning in different ways, for instance, during PowerPoint presentations, research tasks, quizzes and games. It is also relied upon at various times, such as during inquiry, morning assemblies, and play time. Through technology, inquiry is optimised, understanding is deepened and more opportunities are created for further learning. Primary students are always excited when they have to use ICT for learning. On this platform, they are exposed to online teaching tools like *Mindmeister*, *Coggle*, *Padlets* and a lot more, all of which are employed in their presentations and collaboration.



Students enjoy research and collaboration time.



ICT being used by students to guide their project on simple machines,



A Mathematics lesson supported by ICT in the Onyx class.



Unit Assembly time by the Onyx Class.

An online game like *Kahoot* is also used during the learning process. This game is very flexible because it can be used in all disciplines, making learning fun and collaborative, especially when students play in groups. It is a great tool for assessing students' understanding at the end of a lesson.





Opals enjoying *Kahoot* time with students from the Main Campus.

Students also make use of online learning tools like *Storyjumper* and *Storyweaver*, where they write and post their personal stories for other people to access and enjoy. This helps them in their English lessons. The *Hoodamaths* app is also a great tool used by Primary students for their Math practice. Another online learning tool is *Edmentum Exact Path*, which is used by all students. Learners go on the platform to solve questions at different levels in Math, Reading and Language. This equips them for success as they work at their own pace and progress along their unique learning paths. Again, both learners, teachers and parents rely on *ManageBac* for the seamless flow of student-related information, be it announcements, assignments, ongoing assessment or semester reports.

Below, students are having collaboration and personal research time, as well as working on their individual projects.



Clearly, ICT is the kingpin which drives inquiry and expression in the PYP.

GHANAIAN SIGN LANGUAGE

Inquiry into Machines and the Solar System

In addition to simple machines and technological changes, Opal Class is exploring the solar system. To ensure students gain in-depth understanding and make connection with the Unit, they are learning how to fingerspell and sign simple sentences about machines and the solar system.

In the pictures below, learners are sharing their signing skills with colleagues.





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CULTURE



At TIS, we believe that culture as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, develops and enhances the creative, artistic and performing skills and talents in each student.



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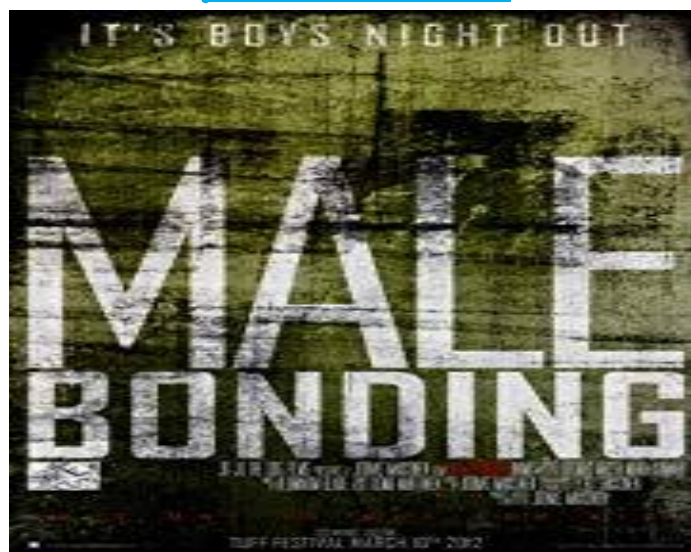
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“Dukies is a perfect fit! At TIS, we require students to be balanced in four aspects: academics; sport; cultural activities; and service-learning. So, everything students are expected to do matches closely to the Dukies program. Strategically, it places our students at another level when it comes to their university applications. Importantly, the Dukies program is about the individual challenging themselves. Challenge, I believe, is one of the most important words for today's world. Everyone must be challenging themselves in many different ways to be successful.

”
DR KEN DARVALL
PRINCIPAL & AWARD COORDINATOR
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HOSTEL NEWS



A Once-In-A-Lifetime Opportunity

At the boys' hostel, boys live to learn since they spend large parts of their day engaged in learning activities. But they also "learn to live" by shouldering the responsibility that comes with greater independence.

Boarding Schools shape lives for the better. The experience leaves a positive impression on students.

Reflection From Francis Hostel

It brings Sanjeevan and I nothing but great joy knowing that we were selected to be your Francis Hostel Executives to provide harmony, comfort and an ecstatic environment for our boys.

During the past few weeks since we have been elected into office, it has been a smooth ride because of the support and cooperation we attain from our fellow brothers in the hostel.

Our boys are always on top of their game. They leave the hostel on time, their working plots are spotless and their attitudes and personalities are undeniably charming.

Let's not forget about the Francis Hostel's backbone, Mr Gabriel Atseku and Mr Dennis Akortah. These two amazing people always keep us on check, whenever we ought to seek help and advice, they are the people we think about first.

Nonetheless their experiences and diligence serves as a support to the hostel, because they're able to think and critically analyse situations to help the boys remain comfortable and to stick together.

*There is definitely no coincidence in the phrase, “**We boys stick together**”, because we look out for one another and help others out when in need of assistance.*

*Finally, when we all assemble, our aura is what distinguishes the **Francis hostel** from any other.*

Nana Saahene Osei & Sanjeevan Allotey

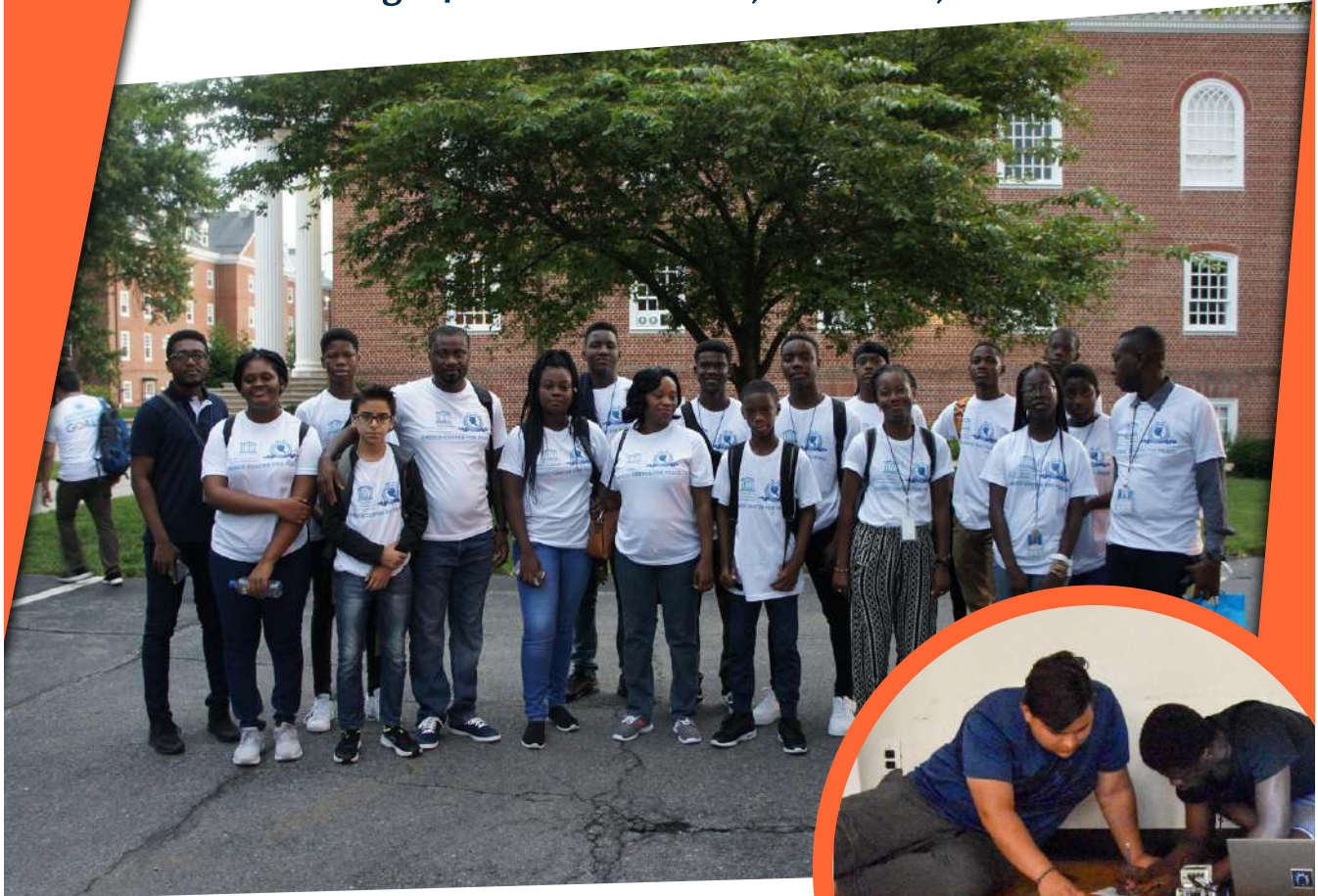


These young achievers were caught by the camera on Sunday in their lovely African wear



2020 IMUN - STEM (ROBOTICS)

Hood College 401 Rosemont Ave, Frederick, MD U.S.A.



- 19 July - 1 August 2020
- **Registration Deadline: 1 April 2020**

For further enquiries, please contact: Mr. Ben Darko,
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SPORTS



At TIS, we believe that sport, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, promotes teamwork, challenges personal best and emphasizes the importance of appreciating how to lose before knowing how to win.



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School Stream

School Stream is an app that aims to have many aspects of TIS at your fingertips, especially as many are wrapped around a mobile phone.

Parents may access it now by downloading the *Schoolstream* app from your relevant app store.

iPhone / iPad iOS

1. From your mobile device go to the **App Store** search for **School Stream**
2. Tap the **FREE/GET** button to the right of the School Stream listing
3. Tap the **INSTALL** button
4. Enter your Apple ID and password & tap **OK**
5. Wait for the install icon to change to **OPEN**
6. Tap the **OPEN** button
7. You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select **OK**
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Windows Phone/Other Devices

Use the following link, and follow the instructions below. Tema International School

To pin a website on your **Windows Phone**:

- Open the website you want to pin
- Tap More icon, then tap Pin to Start

You will be able to access all of your school's information, however, you won't be able to receive notifications. *Note: Some devices may vary please follow your usual installation procedure for downloading and installing an app to your device.*

CAS-SA Corner

Chocolate Friendship day is next week!!! The fever has started.



In the midst of a busy week, our students planned and prepared for one of their favourite events.

This year's Chocolate Friendship day is dubbed, ***Be the Beat***. This initiative goes beyond sharing chocolates and a fun night. G11s are raising awareness about **Heart Attack**, aiming to educate TIS community and beyond on the benefits of a healthy lifestyle to prevent Heart Attack.



You can support our students' initiative by purchasing chocolates for that special person within the TIS community (students or colleagues), and also by joining us for the ***Be the Beat*** Chocolate night, on Saturday, 15 February, 7 pm. It will be a night of music, games, chocolate and tons of fun.

To place your orders:

- Kindly see the Chocolate Chat attached on the Notice Board and MB.
- Collect your form with G11s Reps for Chocolate Friendship Day.
- Pay for your orders after school, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Payments must be done by Friday, 7 February, 5:30pm.
- NO late orders or payments will be accepted.



To know more about this event, see Isabel or Nana Yaa, G11 Leaders of the CFD, 2020. This event is student-led and your support means a lot to them.

Healthy life. Healthy heart.

Show kindness as we make the world a better place.

Enjoy the Day!

IB Class of 2020 – Be the Beat Organisers

The poster has a red background with a dark brown chocolate border at the top. The border features the Tema International School crest on the left and the IB logo on the right. Chocolate is depicted dripping down from the border. In the center, there is a large, dark brown heart outline. A white line, resembling a heartbeat, starts from the left, passes through the heart, and ends at a smaller white heart on the right. Inside this smaller heart, the words "BE THE BEAT" are written in red. Below the heart graphic, the text "ENTERTAINMENT NIGHT" is centered. Underneath that, a list of activities "DANCE | RAFFLE | CHOCOLATE | FUN GAMES |" is centered. This is followed by the location "TIS MAIN CAMPUS – SPORTS COMPLEX" and the date and time "SATURDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2020 – 7:30PM". At the bottom, a dark brown banner contains the text "ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE HEART ATTACK AWARENESS CAMPAIGN" in white.

 **TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** 

CHOCOLATE FRIENDSHIP DAY, 2020

**BE THE
BEAT**

ENTERTAINMENT NIGHT

| DANCE | RAFFLE | CHOCOLATE | FUN GAMES |
TIS MAIN CAMPUS – SPORTS COMPLEX
SATURDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2020 – 7:30PM

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE HEART ATTACK
AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

CAS/Service Learning



When students allow the world at large to be their classrooms, learning becomes relevant and gratifying. The community becomes their classroom as they practise what they have learnt and reflect on their experiences. They are empowered as agents of change and are inspired in the learning.

this collaboration is to allow students to step out of the classroom and learn by doing and reflecting. Students engaged with seven different institutions for the purpose of their CAS/SL Investigation, Planning and Implementation.

These opportunities help students make connections from their various academic disciplines to the real world. Knowledge application and critical thinking are very important skills in today's world. Service Learning also enables students to find their passion through experiential learning.

Group 4 chose to spend these three days at the **TIS Primary School Campus**. I am confident that the bond created will last a lifetime. On Monday morning the little ones at the Primary School could not understand why their new teachers from our Main Campus were not around. *"Our learners were sad to walk into their learning space today without the student teachers. The first question asked was, "Where are our student teachers?" – Dr Ken Darvall*





The Primary team asked to visit the Main Campus on Thursday. They attended the Weekly Assembly, with Margaret, the Early Years Leader joining us with her usual positive energy, along with her representatives from the Early Years and Primary classes. What a pleasant surprise. Their mission was to award each participant of the SL collaboration with the Principal's Award for their **Outstanding Service Learning Experience**. Can you imagine?? Getting the "Principal's Award? That created

an amazing buzz in the hall. Students whispering to each other and, of course, the recipients super proud and I believe eager to do more.

A huge thank you to Dr Ken Darvall, for this kind gesture and endless support. When reflecting on his experience at the PYP, **Ato (G11)**, one of the recipients said, *"I want to develop a meaningful collaboration with the TIS Primary School campus, students and staff. The children are so passionate about learning and everyone is engaging and friendly."*

'You are the change you seek'. Keep learning and growing, *Alberta, Bennett, Chibuikem, Darius, Jadyn, Ato, Kwasi and Nestalia.*



Weekly Assembly – What an electrifying assembly, with a variety of engaging presentations. To begin with such a flawless team of presenters, **Group 3**.

The G7 IDU students' presentation, taught us about Interdisciplinary learning, when *Music, PHE and Language Acquisition* come together.... We innovate, creativity is developed and students have so much fun learning. The level of confidence by the presenters and those who performed was incredible.



Check next week's bulletin for more updates on today's assembly, **Female Mutilation Awareness, Self-Love by Peer Buddy** and much more. Yes, it's fast and furious and super fun.



TIS Master Chef – Cooking Classes – *“It was absolutely an awesome experience during my first cookery class at the **Project Centre**’s well equipped kitchen. The enthusiasm of these teenagers brought me great satisfaction. I cannot wait for another opportunity next week. The future is truly bright.”* **Sophia Dumakor**

Stir fried pasta with vegies and assorted meat...



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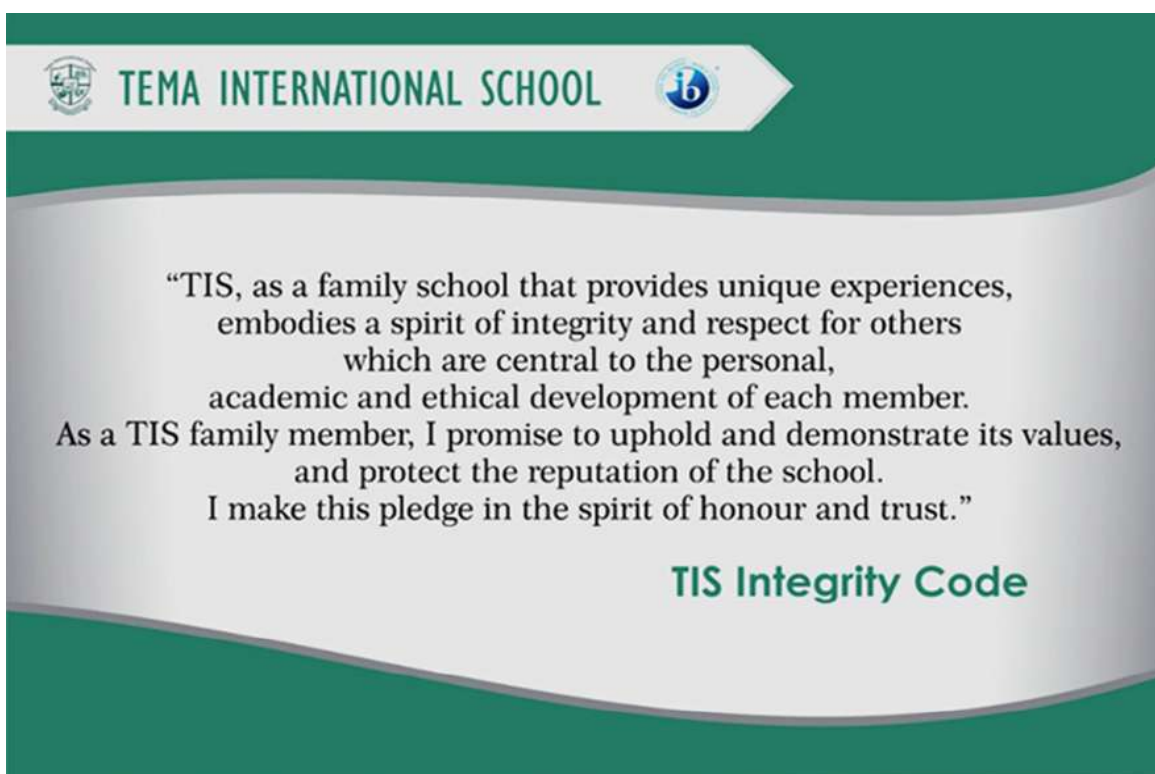


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“TIS, as a family school that provides unique experiences, embodies a spirit of integrity and respect for others which are central to the personal, academic and ethical development of each member. As a TIS family member, I promise to uphold and demonstrate its values, and protect the reputation of the school. I make this pledge in the spirit of honour and trust.”

TIS Integrity Code

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MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME



PROJECT EXHIBITION



Community and Personal Project



6 March,
2020

**1:00
pm**

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Coming up, **TIS/Ghana & NSHS/USA** Educational Exchange, 2020

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ACADEMICS



At TIS, we believe that the academics, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, provide a theoretical lens for inquiry, critical thinking and conceptual understanding, as well as the opportunity to demonstrate our knowledge and understanding across many areas of learning.



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**Join us on our language
immersion trip to France/Spain.**



Dates: 20 June - 12 July 2020



**Cost: USD 4,500
(including flights & application fee)**



**Deadline for payment:
28 February, 2020**



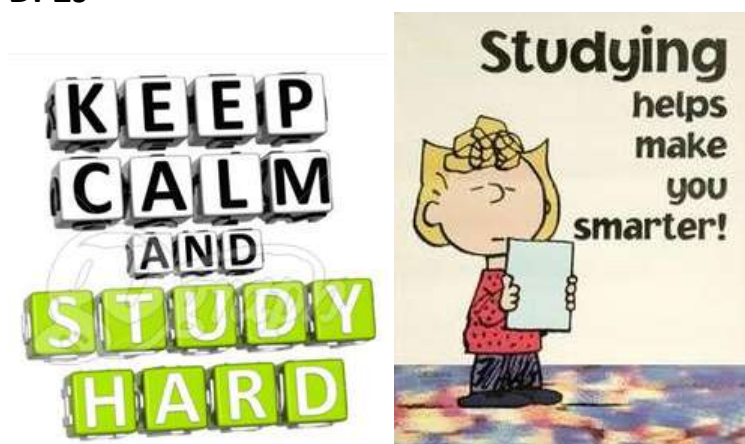
**Have you heard about the TIS language immersion programme?
Find out more from the TIS Bulletin or contact
the Language Acquisition Department.**

COUNSELLORS' CORNER



“Success in itself – ‘as a man thinketh, so is he.’ The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme makes you life-ready. It will be a regrettable decision to fail and a waste of money and time. We did it and know you can excel too! DP2s, you need to have a hunger for studies to challenge yourself.” ~Gerald Kusi (Head Boy- IB Class of 2003)

DP2s



“Education is your surest bet; it opens your mind to grow, think and do things differently. Appreciate the journey.” ~Elom Tettey-Tamaklo (IB Class of 2013)

At this critical moment of your life, DP is all you have, **so avoid these;**

- ✓ Friends who waste your time to talk about fashion, entertainment, and sports. The DP final exams have no questions on ‘Keeping up with the Kardashians or Cardi B.’ Just study!
- ✓ Friends who complain and nag about everything. It’s negative energy. It saps your joy!
- ✓ Friends who do not like studying and never want to talk about academics.
- ✓ Refusal to see your teachers for help because they might have corrected you in a manner you didn’t like. Mistakes are proof that you are learning. Anger and bitterness spoil the heart, stopping you from enjoying good things. If you are upset about something get it off your chest. Talk to your teachers.
- ✓ Being overly defensive over things that don’t matter. The reality is you will be done with TIS in a couple of months. Academics come first!

- ✓ Playing the blame game while you sit there doing nothing. “A person that blames destiny for everything and does nothing himself can never succeed in life.” ~Anurag Prakash Ray
- ✓ “Nobody who ever gave his best regretted it” ~ Halas.
- ✓ Life is how you make it!

TIS College Guides: What Do We Do?



Every year TIS students receive **100%** university placements into reputable accredited universities in Ghana and abroad with generous scholarships. University applications go beyond academic grades. The quest for new discoveries, innovative minds with resourceful attitude, creative spirit, initiative, grit, intellectual curiosity, leadership skills, and many others are what universities look out for in any prospective applicant. At TIS, the “College Guidance department is the engine room” (quote by TIS parent '19). We ensure the smooth transitioning of students from high school to the respective universities and with the solid foundation of ethical and soft skills development, character formation deliberately integrated into the curriculum. With personalized guidance right from day 1, we find best-fit universities for students as their path to their future careers. Doing what we do best we ensure that no student is left behind!



Our Roles include but are not limited to:

- ✓ Teaching Life Skills
- ✓ Organising university visits on TIS campus and college tours outside of school
- ✓ Subject selections and career guidance
- ✓ University selections and the application process

- ✓ Scholarship and financial aid application processes
- ✓ College essay and personal statement workshops
- ✓ Standardized test registration support (TIS is a Test Centre for SAT, ACT, Pre-ACT & PSAT)
- ✓ Mock interviews and many more...



Across Grades 7-12, we teach and develop student's soft skills, such as communication skills, time-management, study skills, respect, honesty, self-management, temperance, and good character among many other virtues. Simply put, we prepare students for life!



Students have the opportunity to meet university admission managers on TIS campus, as well as attend college tours to enable them make well-informed decisions, have foreknowledge of what universities expect from them as they apply.



We assist students and parents to create meaningful career paths based on students' unique strengths, abilities and academic prowess for a fulfilled life.



As a registered test center, we assist students to take any of these standardised tests right here in TIS, starting from Grade 9-12.



As the engine room for college applications, right from DP1, students click the start button as they search for best-fit schools for their university programmes. In DP2, letters of recommendation from teachers and counsellors, college interviews, college evaluations, college essays, personal statements and all necessary documentations are all filled and filed allowing students to click the send button with great expectations to be accepted into their university of choice.



Over the years, free monies for grabs and financial aid have been available to our students. 100% full rides, partial scholarships have also been received from colleges and universities across the globe by our students. The Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship (University of Toronto, Canada), Global Leader of Tomorrow (York University, Canada), New York University-Abu-Dhabi's full financial aid package (UAE), Incheon National University (South Korea), Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD, USA), Bucknell College (USA), Cornell University (USA), the College of Wooster, are a few of the many schools that have given generous and full scholarship offers to TIS students in recent times.



It's the annual TIS Ghanaian University Bus Tour.... Ghana has such amazing and excellent universities. Are you ready to tour with us? All DP1 students interested in studying in Ghana should please send an email to constance.quaye@tis.edu.gh to sign up before close of day (4.00pm) on Monday, 10 February 2020. Book your slots now! Limited seats are available. Preference will be given to students who have confirmed that they are seriously considering Ghana as their primary university destination.

Bus Tour Destination Stop Points:

- University of Ghana
- Academic City College- a budding university taking the educational era by storm
- Ashesi University
- Lancaster University
- Webster University



MONTH	NAME OF INSTITUTION	DATE	TIME	VENUE
FEBRUARY	University of Nottingham, UK Nottingham Trent University, UK University of Kent, UK University of Birmingham, UK	Wed. 5 Feb. 2020	1:30 pm	Learning Centre
	Ghanaian Universities Tour	Wed. 19 Feb. 2020	7am	Bus Tour visit to 5 universities in Accra and Berekuso.
MARCH	YORK UNIVERSITY (Canada), accepted students and parent session	March	TBD	TBD

Closing up on Harmattan- January visits



An alum of University of West England- Bristol (UK), a past Student Leader for the African Union at the University of West England (UWE), Bristol, a barrister currently working in Ghana- Ms. Miriam Wuaku (sister of King Cyrus- MYP5 student at TIS) visited us to introduce and warmly welcome prospective students to experience an unforgettable, life-changing enriching educational experience at one of England's finest universities of which she is so proud.

Also, please find below, a digital prospectus of UWE BRISTOL.

<https://www1.uwe.ac.uk/study/prospectus/ugdigitalprospectus.aspx>

Speaking about Law, the University of West England-Bristol has one of the best Law programmes with a moot court/ mock court on campus giving students that hands-on feel of courtroom experience. It is one of the few universities in the UK with this facility.

The university has been associated with a number of Nobel laureates throughout its history.

- A vibrant community with a laid-back vibe, a thriving eco culture, endless historic charm, and a dynamic centre for creativity. Whatever your scene, it's here.
- Great undergraduate support. Foundation programmes available to prepare students for the rigor of undergraduate university education.
- Excellent career and job placement services available to students
- Boosting confidence, developing skills in the right direction all happens at UWE Bristol.
- The amount of support given to international students is among the best, such that it is common to find students transferring from other universities to UWE Bristol.



<https://www.sgu.edu/about-sgu/>

- Founded as an independent School of Medicine in 1976, St. George's University opened its doors to students beginning in January 1977. It has evolved into a top centre of international education, drawing students and faculty from 140 countries to the Caribbean island of Grenada, in the West Indies.
- Students attending SGU enjoy the benefits of a thriving multicultural environment on the True Blue campus, offering all the amenities and technologically advanced facilities of a world-class institution.
- The University's more than 20,000 graduates include physicians, veterinarians, scientists, and public health and business professionals across the world.
- The University offers medical and veterinary medical degrees in the Schools of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, and independent and dual graduate degrees in the sciences, public health, and business. Undergraduate degree programs are also available through its School of Arts and Sciences, and students may build on their education by pursuing a degree in the School of Graduate Studies.
- The University programs are accredited and approved by many governing authorities, and SGU is affiliated with educational institutions worldwide, including in the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, and Ireland.
- St. George's University now has a partnership with the government of Ghana and has awarded 6 full scholarships to Ghanaians to commence the medical programme at St. George's University. The first set of students to benefit from this enrolled in 2019 and they hope to continue offering this to bright students.



The admissions manager, Utibe-Abasi Etok, in an interactive session with some of our students. To find out more about St. George's, please email uetok@sgu.edu

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

SGU's medical school financial aid options help make your medical education affordable.

<https://www.sgu.edu/academic-programs/school-of-medicine/financial-aid-and-scholarships/>

Featured Scholarship

Humanitarian Scholarship

Furthering our commitment to global medicine and humanitarian causes, SGU offers partial scholarships to incoming MD students who have demonstrated compassion and commitment to humanitarian causes in their local communities and beyond. Students who have community-based humanitarian experiences and a desire to help ease the suffering of people who have been impacted by natural and manmade disasters around the world are eligible. The primary criterion for the award is a person's volunteer experience; work for which one was compensated is not considered.



<https://carleton.ca/>

Majors: Sciences, Arts and Business <https://admissions.carleton.ca/programs/>

What defines our people?

Carleton University is a community of talented, committed and enthusiastic faculty and staff, dedicated to excellence and to supporting the education and research that distinguishes Carleton as Canada's Capital University. We know that it is our people that are key to Carleton's success.

We take pride in our institution and are committed to providing the programs and services that contribute to Carleton University being an employer of choice. Join our community.

What defines Carleton?

We strive for innovation in research, teaching, and learning.

Our location in Ottawa, the nation's capital, connects us to the world.

We encourage hands-on experience in the classroom.

We offer exceptional student support.

What defines our graduates?

They have an entrepreneurial spirit.

They are prepared for careers in our rapidly changing job market.

They are driven by a desire to change the world.

They are 125,000 strong.



If you have been admitted to Carleton with an admissions average of 80 percent or better, you will automatically be considered for a renewable entrance scholarship at the time of admission. The admissions average we use is calculated from the grades submitted by your high school in support of your application. Entrance scholarships are offered for fall entry only. You may be offered a renewable entrance scholarship provided you are entering Carleton for the first time from high school or CEGEP and have no previous attendance at post-secondary educational institutions. To be considered for an entrance scholarship, the University's Admissions Services must receive your completed application for admission and all required grades (either directly or through the Ontario Universities Application Centre) by June 15. Entrance scholarship offers are not assessed or reassessed on final high school grades. <https://carleton.ca/awards/scholarships/entrance-scholarships-for-new-students/>



<https://www.mcmaster.ca>

We're creating a brighter world. **McMaster's** Brighter World is guided by the Okanagan Charter: An International Charter for Health-Promoting Universities and Colleges, which calls on postsecondary schools to embed health into all aspects of campus culture and to lead health promotion and collaboration locally and globally.

McMaster University (McMaster or Mac) is a public research university in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. The main McMaster campus is on 121 hectares (300 acres) of land near the residential neighborhoods of Ainslie Wood and Westdale, adjacent to the Royal Botanical Gardens. It operates six academic faculties: the DeGroote School of Business, Engineering, Health Sciences, Humanities, Social Science, and Science. It is a member of the U15, a group of research-intensive universities in Canada.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/McMaster_University



The Admissions Manager, Ramirez Fiallo, in an interactive session with some DP1 students who attended the meeting.

Entrance Awards for International Students

PROVOST ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

These awards were established in 2018 to recognize the academic achievements of international students.

- **Value:** \$7500 (Up to 10 awards available per year)
- **Eligibility for Award:** Must be an international visa student, currently studying at a foreign high school outside of Canada and applying for admission to a Level I program.
- **Criteria:**
 - Award requires a **nomination** and an application. Students are nominated by a school official from their high school (i.e. principal, department head, guidance counselor, etc.) to recognize involvement in community initiatives and demonstrated leadership. Only one nomination is accepted per school.

<https://future.mcmaster.ca/money-matters/funding/scholarships/>



Enjoy the right university experience for you at our truly international university campus in Segovia, and our urban center right in the heart of Madrid's business district.

Take a walk through our study rooms, cafeteria, library, the WOW room and other parts of the university!

VIRTUAL CAMPUS TOUR 



A TRUE CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

The IE University campus in the city of Segovia offers an authentic campus experience. It is housed in the Convent of Santa Cruz la Real, a historic building declared a national heritage site in 1931. Segovia is only 25 minutes from Madrid by high-speed train, and welcomes students from over 80 countries in a global university setting, with an atmosphere that is both academic and lively.

LEARN MORE ABOUT STUDYING IN SEGOVIA 



IN THE HEART OF A VIBRANT URBAN CENTER

IE University is located in the financial center of Madrid, a leading European capital. Our students benefit from a global learning environment, top-tier networking opportunities and buildings – all shared with the prestigious top-ranked IE Business School.

LEARN MORE ABOUT STUDYING IN MADRID 



Studying at IE University Spain, is a significant investment of time and money that requires prior planning. The IE Financial Aid Office is here to inform you about the different financing and scholarship options available as well as guide you through the application process. Our goal is to guide each student so that they find the financial solution that best suits their profile and economic needs. We will help you develop a solid financial plan that will allow you to meet your professional goals. Select the type of program you're interested in and you'll find all the specific information you need about scholarships and loans. <https://www.ie.edu/financial-aid/>



Yessica Admissions Representative from IE University in a tete-a-tete session with Isabel DP1 student.



SCAD SUMMER PROGRAMS

Pre-college summer programs

• Pre-college summer programs

[SCAD Rising Star](#)

[SCAD Summer Seminars](#)

Pre-college summer programs

This summer, explore new avenues of artistic development and spark your imagination at The University for Creative Careers. SCAD offers summer programs for high school students of all ages to pursue art and design disciplines while working alongside peers from all over the world. With exceptional buildings, extensive equipment and inspirational settings, SCAD summer programs offer ideal opportunities for artists at all levels to create, learn and grow.



SCAD Rising Star

Incoming high school seniors ready for a college experience benefit from the challenging and exciting atmosphere of SCAD Rising Star. Enrolling in two college-level classes and building professional portfolios, SCAD Rising Star participants benefit from all of the perks of being a SCAD student — from the vast creative environments to the renowned faculty.

Registration and program fees

Registration fee: US\$50 (per session/location)

Off-campus student fee: US\$1,400 (includes lunch)

On-campus student fee: US\$1,700 (includes housing and all meals)

These fees include workshops, supplies and social activities, plus indicated meals and housing. Additional fees may include bed and bath linens. Students interested in attending multiple sessions and locations will be charged a US\$50 fee per location and session. <https://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-summer-programs/scad-summer-seminars>



“Being a prospective student of the St. George’s University, having them come for a visit was really beneficial because I was able to ask questions on the concerns I have. I am very grateful for the opportunity to put a name to the face of the admission officers.” ~Danielle Manteaw DP2

“On the 27 January, the prestigious McMaster University visited our school. I really enjoyed it because it’s a school that I’ve been following for a long time and I show keen interest, so I followed everything they said word for word. I learnt very specific scores I needed to attain and the subject I needed to take before I could get admission to the school. I also had a conversation with the admissions rep. which gave me a broader insight and helped me figure out what I really wanted to do.” ~Arnold Gyateng DP1

“As a prospective student at Carleton University, I was very excited to meet the admissions officer. He was very resourceful and gave me some more insight about the school. He also addressed my concerns about the admission process. We also discussed life on campus and other activities to do in Canada. Now, I am much more excited to attend the University.” ~Baaba Egyei-Mensah DP2



Ghanaian University Applications are opened

Follow the links below;

Apply online! - Ashesi University

<https://www.ashesi.edu.gh/>

<https://admissions.ashesi.edu.gh>

How to Apply? Click: <https://www.ashesi.edu.gh/admissions/how-to-apply.html>

Parents should please pay application fees using the directions below, and email a copy of payment receipt to your child's college counselor, for assistance completing the application.

Pay Application Fees

- GHs100 for Ghanaian nationals; \$50 for international applicants. (How to pay application fees)

The Late Admissions period attracts an extra GHs50. We also do not accept the scholarship and international applications for the Late Admissions period.

- Application Payments can be made as follows

a. **MTN Mobile Money**

- a. Transfer application fee to merchant mobile number: 024 526 4831
- b. Name of the recipient should be Ashesi University College
- c. Applicants should quote the following information on their application form or in the task box in the online application portal:
 - i. Mobile number used for the transaction by applicant
 - ii. Transaction ID
 - iii. Reference Number (Applicant's Name should be used as the reference)

b. **ExpressPay**

- For Applicants who will like to pay via Visa, Mastercard, Amex, Discover or Mobile Money (MTN, Airtel Money, Tigo Cash, Vodaphone Cash) please click here: <https://expresspaygh.com/ashesi>.

Applicants should quote the expressPay generated transaction reference number on their application form (paper applications) or in the task box on the online application portal.

c. Direct Deposit/Rapid Transfer at any Ecobank Branch in Ghana and West Africa

Account Name: Ashesi Admission fees

Account Number: 0200014411600905

Bank: Ecobank

Branch: Osu

d. Wire Transfer from within West Africa

SWIFT CODE: ECOCGHAC

Account Number: 02010 144 116 009 01

Account Name: Ashesi University College

Branch: ECOBANK, OSU BRANCH

PMB CT443, ACCRA-GHANA

e. International Payments (All other countries)

SWIFT CODE: ECOCGHAC

Account Number: 02010 144 116 009 01

Account Name: Ashesi University

Branch: ECOBANK, OSU BRANCH

PMB CT443

ACCRA-GHANA

** Attach a copy of your payment receipt to your complete application*

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UNIVERSITY OF GHANA

[How to Apply for University of Ghana 2020/2021 Admissions,](#)

To apply for University of Ghana admission for the 2020 academic year, prospective applicants are expected to meet some basic requirements.

Click on the link for more information:

<https://admission.uq.edu.gh/applying/content/how-apply-ghanaian-applicants>

1. GHANAIAN APPLICANTS

[University of Ghana online application](#) E-VOUCHERS can be obtained by Ghanaian applicants for GH¢200.00 at the following banks: Ecobank, Republic Bank, Agricultural Development Bank, Ghana Commercial Bank, Zenith Bank, Universal Merchant Bank, Consolidated Bank Ghana (CBG), Prudential Bank and Fidelity Bank. Ghanaian applicants in the following categories are expected to apply using the E-VOUCHER:

2. STUDENTS AND GHANAIS APPLYING FROM ABROAD

International applicants and Ghanaians applying from abroad should **NOT** buy the e-voucher. They should use the following link to access the online application form for completion and submission.

[Online Application for International Undergraduate applicants](#)

All applicants are expected to pay to the University a non-refundable application processing fee of US\$110.00. This fee can be paid directly or wire transferred into the University of Ghana ECOBANK Account.

Details of the Account are:

Account Name:	University of Ghana Foreign Students Account
Account Number:	0161014409780401
Bank Details:	Ecobank Ghana Limited, Legon Branch
Swift:	ECOCGHAC

or International Transfer through Ecobank (0161014409780401 or 0161094409780403

or Payment with Credit Card on the GT payment platform.



<https://ghstudents.com/knust-admission-forms/>

Are you a **KNUST** Prospective Student? Stay up to date with absolute **Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology** Latest Admission News and Updates for the 2020/2021 academic year.

ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BYPOST (EMS/DHL/UPS/FEDEX) TO THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR (ACADEMIC AFFAIRS) KNUST, KUMASI, GHANA ON OR **BEFORE JULY 31ST, 2020** except for MATURE APPLICANTS WHO ARE TO SUBMIT ON OR BEFORE **FRIDAY, 29TH MAY, 2020**.

POINTS OF SALE: All Ghana Post Regional and Designated Post Offices

APPLICATION PROCESSING FEE

- GHANAIAN APPLICANTS – GH¢ 200.00.
- FOREIGN APPLICANTS – USD 150.00.

GHANAIAN APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE THE E-VOUCHER FROM THE GHANA POST OFFICES.

APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TWO (2) COPIES OF THE ONLINE APPLICATION AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.

FOREIGN APPLICANTS ARE TO GENERATE AN E-VOUCHER FROM THE UNIVERSITY'S WEBSITE ([HERE!](#)) AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS.

For more information on other universities of your interest please click <https://ghstudents.com/ghana-admission-forms-update/>



Please send the College Guides a copy of the receipts for Ashesi University, University of Ghana, Legon and Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) for us to assist your child to complete the application process and for our records.



TIS has signed up for Bridge-U! Bridge-U is the world's leading university and careers guidance platform designed for counselors in global secondary schools and an amazing resource for students too!

Other benefits of Bridge-U include but are not limited to...:

- ✓ Offers the resources and support to ensure our counseling curriculum delivers the best possible outcomes for our students in terms of university placements
- ✓ Allows students to be independent and to own the university application process
- ✓ Students can explore career pathways, labour market trends and personality tests designed to help them understand and plan their careers

- ✓ Helps our students use this information to support their future University research and informs their University application strategy
- ✓ Matcher helps motivate students to apply to destinations they wouldn't have otherwise considered.
- ✓ Enables Counselors and Parents to track college application progress and many more!

All Students have been added unto Bridge-U. **Please log in and complete your Profile if you haven't done so already!**

Important Dates and INFORMATION



2019-2020 TEST DATES

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
7 Dec. 2019	8 Nov. 2019** (Global deadline)
14 March 2020**	23 January 2020
2 May 2020	5 March 2020

DP1's don't wait until the eleventh hour to register. Register now to avoid any disappointments!

*** SAT SUBJECT TESTS ONLY (Foreign Languages with listening only),**

****REGULAR SAT ONLY (No Subject Tests available)**

Please come along with your valid unexpired passport!

SAT Registration Fees (To complete registration online full payment with credit card only.

Visit www.collegeboard.org)

SAT I - U.S. \$107.50 SAT II: 1 subject (\$117), 2 subjects (\$127), 3 subjects (\$137) (estimates).



For all standardized aptitude tests, test takers please come along with your valid unexpired passport as the only form of identification! Photocopies are not acceptable.

- Number 2 pencils (buy from the Tuckshop), approved calculator, eraser, admission ticket and sharpeners required.



2019-2020 TEST DATES (COMPUTER-BASED TESTING ONLY!)

TEST DATES	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
14 Dec. 2019	15 Nov. 2019
4 April 2020	27 Feb. 2020

Please come along with your valid unexpired passport!

ACT Registration Fees (Online payments only: Visit www.actstudent.org):

ACT plus writing – U.S. \$166.50. (TIS Test Centre Code: 870390, but inform Counsellors first).

***To complete registration, payment must be made online in full with a credit card.**

ACT April DEADLINE coming up. DP1s especially are encouraged to sign up for the April ACT exam this year! Aim to complete registration right away! STEM students have an edge when they take the ACT.

DP1s don't wait until the eleventh hour to register. Register now to avoid any disappointments! The Global deadline is here!



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Young African Scholars Program



YYAS is an intensive academic and enrichment program designed for African secondary school students who plan to pursue tertiary education and wish to make a meaningful impact as young leaders. There are no tuition, meal, or lodging costs.

Eligibility

Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of an African country and currently be attending a secondary school in Africa with one semester to one year of school left after YYAS.

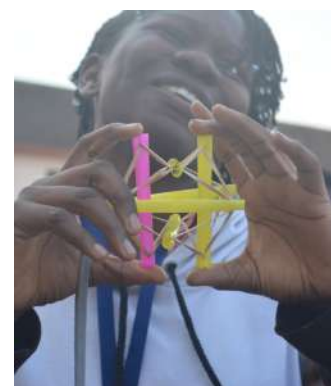
A typical participant is between 14 and 18 year old.



Requirements

1. Completed Online Application Form
2. Official Transcript or Grade Report
3. One Teacher Recommendation

Deadline is 12 February 2020
@ 11:59pm EST



Student Profile

YYAS is looking for students with excellent academic records, demonstrated leadership potential, and strong written and verbal communication skills. Participants must be able to read, analyze, and converse in English. Preference is given to high-achieving, low-income ("HALI") students who do not have university guidance in their schools or communities.

2020 Sessions & Dates

GHANA: 26 July - 02 August

KENYA: 08 August - 15 August

ZIMBABWE: 19 August - 26 August

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