

# AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CAPE TOWN

## ASSISTED SCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS PROFILE

School situations can change quickly, particularly as schools face cutbacks to learning support programs due to the pandemic, current unrest, and economic uncertainty. For the most current information, work with the REO and school. Information in this document was collected by the Department of State's Office of Overseas Schools directly from the school in late 2020. If a field is not specified, please reach out to the REO listed below for more information.



The **American International School of Cape Town** (AISCT) is a private, not-for-profit coeducational institution founded in 1997. The school educates 450 students from over 50 countries ranging in age between two and 18 years and employs teachers from around the world. The school has an average class size of 16 students with a student-teacher ratio of 10:1. Following the northern hemisphere calendar, the school year begins in August and ends in June. Read more on the [Overseas Schools Fact Sheet](#).

### MISSION & VISION

*A diverse learning community providing students the opportunities and confidence to positively impact the world.  
Empowering students with respect, responsibility, and integrity.*

### ADMISSIONS

The school's admission criteria and procedures can be found at [www.aisct.org/admissions](http://www.aisct.org/admissions).

IN GENERAL, THE SCHOOL CAN SUPPORT STUDENTS WHOSE LEARNING SUPPORT NEEDS ARE

**Mild**

### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT SERVICES

#### DISABILITIES SERVED

<b>Hearing Impaired</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Behavioral/Emotionally Disturbed</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Visually Impaired</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Autistic</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Handicap Accessible</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Non-categorical</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Learning Disabled</b>	<b>No</b>		
<b>Intellectually Disabled</b>	<b>No</b>		

Use of IEP or ILP

**Yes**



**Teacher Accommodations**



Teacher Accommodations with Learning Support Teacher



Maximum Hours per Week per Student  
**Push In 1.5**   **Pull Out 1.5**



**Co-Teaching/ Team Teaching** in the Classroom

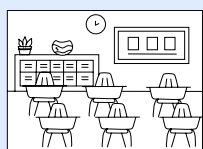


Academic support class  
**Secondary School**



#### SELF-CONTAINED CLASSROOM

**No**



In Elementary **No**  
In Middle School **No**  
In High School **No**



Support for special needs preschoolers

**Yes**



### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

Nurse:		<b>1</b>
Psychologist:		<b>1</b>
Social Worker:		<b>0</b>
Special Needs Coordinator:		<b>1</b>
Learning Support Teacher:		<b>1</b>
Guidance Counselor:		<b>2</b>

Staffing numbers are listed as full school totals. A breakdown by elementary, middle, and high school levels can be found on the [School Summary Information Portal](#) or by emailing [OverseasSchools@state.gov](mailto:OverseasSchools@state.gov).

### SERVICES AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH

#### SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Psycho Educational Assessment:	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Speech Therapy:	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Occupational Therapy:	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Physical Therapy:	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Behavior and/or Autism Specialist (ABA/Behavior Plan/Interventions):	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Social Skills Group/Social Skills Training:	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>

#### SCHOOL

1:1 Trained Classroom Aide:	<b>No</b>
Special Transportation:	<b>No</b>
Transportation Paraprofessional:	<b>No</b>

### LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

#### SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Reading Specialist:	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Reading Remediation:	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Reading Programs for Dyslexia (Orton Gillingham, etc.):	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Math Specialist:	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEST EDUCATIONAL FIT FOR YOUR CHILDREN

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