

ASUNCION, PARAGUAY THE AMERICAN SCHOOL OF ASUNCION

ASSISTED SCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS PROFILE

School situations can change quickly, particularly as schools face cutbacks to learning support programs due to the pandemic, 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 fall 2022 and shows the availability of services rather than an assessment of the quality of the services. The profile is intended as a jumping off point for a conversation with the REO and school to understand the best fit for your child. Definitions may vary school to school. If a field is not specified, please reach out to the REO listed below for more information.



The American School of Asuncion (ASA) is a private, English-medium, nonprofit day school offering a U.S. curriculum from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 for an international student body (20+ nationalities). It also offers a Paraguayan Ministry of Education Diploma (MEC). The school was founded in 1953. The ASA school year consists of 180 days of classes separated into two semesters extending from August to mid-December and from mid-February to late June. Read more on the [Overseas Schools Fact Sheet](#).

ADMISSIONS & SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

The school's admission criteria and procedures can be found at www.nido.cl/admissions/welcome.

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

Mild

"We only provide accommodations. We do not modify the grade's curriculum."

ABLE AND WILLING TO ACCOMMODATE STUDENTS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

Hearing Impaired	No	Behaviorally/Emotionally Disturbed	Yes
Physically or Orthopedically Impaired	Yes	Multiple Disabilities	No
Visually Impaired	Yes	Other health impairment	Yes
Autistic	Yes	Speech or Language impaired	Yes
Specifically Learning Disabled	Yes	Traumatic Brain Injury	No
Intellectually Disabled	No		

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT SERVICES

Teacher Accommodations

Yes



Teacher Accommodations Learning Support Teacher

Yes



Learning Support Teacher

Yes



Co-Teaching/ Team Teaching in the Classroom

Yes



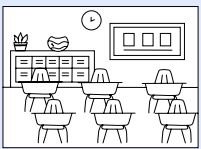
Academic Support Class Secondary School

Yes



SELF-CONTAINED CLASSROOM

No



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

Maximum Hours per Week per Student
Push In Pull Out

3.75  3.75

Support for special needs preschoolers



Yes

Use of IEP or ILP



Yes

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

Nurse:		2
Psychologist:		0
Social Worker:		0
Special Needs Coordinator:		1
Learning Support Teacher:		4
Guidance Counselor:		5

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](#)

[Portal](#)

or by emailing

OverseasSchools@state.gov.

SERVICES AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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

SCHOOL

1:1 Trained Classroom Aide	No
Special Transportation	No
Transportation Paraprofessional	No

LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

U.S. Credentialed Reading Specialist	No	No
Reading Remediation	No	No
Reading Programs for Dyslexia (Orton Gillingham, etc.)	No	No
Math Specialist	No	No

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEST EDUCATIONAL FIT FOR YOUR CHILDREN

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