

# SOFIA, BULGARIA

## ANGLO-AMERICAN SCHOOL OF SOFIA (AAS)

### ASSISTED SCHOOL SPECIAL NEEDS PROFILE

**NOTE:** 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 Anglo-American School of Sofia (AAS)** is an independent, coeducational day school which offers an educational program from prekindergarten through grade 12 for students of all nationalities. The school was founded in 1967. The school year begins in the third full week of August and ends in the third week of 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.aas-sofia.org/admissions/virtual-admissions](http://www.aas-sofia.org/admissions/virtual-admissions). Special needs information can be found at [aas-sofia.org/prospective-families/learning-at-aas/student-support](http://aas-sofia.org/prospective-families/learning-at-aas/student-support).

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

**Mild, Moderate, More Intensive**

ABLE AND WILLING TO ACCOMMODATE STUDENTS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

<b>Hearing Impaired</b>	<b>Behaviorally/Emotionally Disturbed</b>
<b>Physically or Orthopedically Impaired</b>	<b>Multiple Disabilities</b>
<b>Visually Impaired</b>	<b>Other health impairment</b>
<b>Autistic</b>	<b>Speech or Language impaired</b>
<b>Specifically Learning Disabled</b>	<b>Traumatic Brain Injury</b>
<b>Intellectually Disabled</b>	

#### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT SERVICES

<b>Teacher Accommodations</b>	<b>Teacher Accommodations Learning Support Teacher</b>	<b>Learning Support Teacher</b>	<b>Co-Teaching/ Team Teaching in the Classroom</b>	<b>Academic Support Class Secondary School</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>

  

<b>SELF-CONTAINED CLASSROOM</b>	<b>In Elementary</b>	<b>Maximum Hours per Week per Student</b>	<b>Support for special needs preschoolers</b>	<b>Use of IEP or ILP</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Push In Pull Out</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>In Middle School</b>	<b>6 3</b>		
	<b>Yes</b>			
	<b>In High School</b>			
	<b>Yes</b>			

#### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

Nurse:		<b>2</b>
Psychologist:		<b>2</b>
Social Worker:		<b>0</b>
Special Needs Coordinator:		<b>0</b>
Learning Support Teacher:		<b>6</b>
Guidance Counselor:		<b>4</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](#)

[Portal](#)

or by emailing

[OverseasSchools@state.gov](mailto:OverseasSchools@state.gov).

#### SERVICES AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH

SCHOOL COMMUNITY		SCHOOL
Psycho Educational Assessment	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Speech Therapy	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Occupational Therapy	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>
Physical Therapy	<b>Yes</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>No</b>
1:1 Trained Classroom Aide	<b>Yes</b>	
Special Transportation	<b>Yes</b>	
Transportation Paraprofessional	<b>No</b>	

#### LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

SCHOOL COMMUNITY	
U.S. Credentialed Reading Specialist	<b>Yes</b> / <b>No</b>
Reading Remediation	<b>Yes</b> / <b>No</b>
Reading Programs for Dyslexia (Orton Gillingham, etc.)	<b>Yes</b> / <b>No</b>
Math Specialist	<b>Yes</b> / <b>No</b>

### QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEST EDUCATIONAL FIT FOR YOUR CHILDREN

<p>Reach out to: <a href="mailto:OverseasSchools@state.gov">OverseasSchools@state.gov</a></p>	<p>Regional Education Officer (REO) Mary Russman <a href="mailto:russmanme@state.gov">russmanme@state.gov</a> Tel: +1 (202) 261-8200</p>	<p>MED/CFP Child and Family Program Team <a href="mailto:MEDCFP@state.gov">MEDCFP@state.gov</a> Tel: +1-202-663-1815</p>
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