

# COTONOU, BENIN

## QSI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BENIN

### 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.



**QSI International School of Benin (QBNN)** is an independent, coeducational day school, which opened in August of 2012. It offers high quality education in the English language from preschool through grade 12. QSI International School of Benin is a member of Quality Schools International, a non-profit educational organization with 35 schools in 29 countries. Read more on the [Overseas Schools Fact Sheet](#).

### ADMISSIONS & SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

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

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

**Mild**

We take light special needs on a case-by case-basis.

ABLE AND WILLING TO ACCOMMODATE STUDENTS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

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

### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT SERVICES

<b>Teacher Accommodations</b> Yes 	<b>Teacher Accommodations Learning Support Teacher</b> Yes 	<b>Learning Support Teacher</b> Yes 	<b>Co-Teaching/ Team Teaching in the Classroom</b> Yes 	<b>Academic Support Class Secondary School</b> No 
<b>SELF-CONTAINED CLASSROOM</b> Yes 	<b>In Elementary</b> Yes <b>In Middle School</b> Yes <b>In High School</b> Yes	<b>Maximum Hours per Week per Student</b> <b>Push In</b> 0 <b>Pull Out</b> 20 	<b>Support for special needs preschoolers</b> No 	<b>Use of IEP or ILP</b> Yes 

### SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

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

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	SCHOOL	
Psycho Educational Assessment	No	No	1:1 Trained Classroom Aide	No
Speech Therapy	No	No	Special Transportation	No
Occupational Therapy	No	No	Transportation Paraprofessional	No
Physical Therapy	No	No		
Behavior and/or Autism Specialist (ABA/Behavior Plan/Interventions)	No	No		
Social Skills Group/Social Skills Training	No	No		

### LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

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

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEST EDUCATIONAL FIT FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Reach out to: [OverseasSchools@state.gov](mailto:OverseasSchools@state.gov)

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