

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 spring 2023 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. Special needs information can be found at 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

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

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT SERVICES

Teacher Accommodations	Teacher Accommodations Learning Support Teacher	Learning Support Teacher	Co-Teaching/ Team Teaching in the Classroom	Academic Support Class Secondary School
No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

Social Worker:		0
Nurse:		2
Special Needs Coordinator:		1
Special Needs Teacher:		6
Psychologist:		1
School Counselor:		4

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.

SERVICES AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH

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

LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

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

Please note, some schools may have an expectation that parents make arrangements for support services even if they are listed as available.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEST EDUCATIONAL FIT FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Reach out to: OverseasSchools@state.gov	Regional Education Officer (REO) Mary Russman russmanme@state.gov	MED/CFP Child and Family Program Team MEDCFP@state.gov
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