

ETHIOPIA, ADDIS ABABA

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF ADDIS ABABA

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 International Community School of Addis Ababa (ICS) is an early years through grade 12 school, offering a holistic, vigorous, and inclusive program. An International Baccalaureate Diploma school, accredited in the United States, ICS serves a diverse, multi-cultural student body on a beautiful, well-equipped campus. The school's mission is to nurture the talents, character, and intellect of all learners, challenging them to be a positive influence and empowering them to excel in their world. Read more on the [Overseas Schools Fact Sheet](#).

ADMISSIONS & SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

The school's admission criteria and procedures can be found at www.icsaddis.org/join/admissions.

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	No	Multiple Disabilities	No
Visually Impaired	No	Other health impairment	No
Autistic	Yes	Speech or Language impaired	Yes
Specifically Learning Disabled	Yes	Traumatic Brain Injury	No
Intellectually Disabled	Yes		

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 0 0	Support for special needs preschoolers Yes	Use of IEP or ILP Yes

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT STAFF IN THE SCHOOL

Social Worker:		0
Nurse:		4
Special Needs Coordinator:		1
Special Needs Teacher:		11
Psychologist:		1
School 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](#) or by emailing OverseasSchools@state.gov.

SERVICES AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH

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

LITERACY & MATHEMATICS SUPPORT

SCHOOL COMMUNITY	
U.S. Credentialed Reading Specialist	No
Reading Remediation	Yes
Reading Programs for Dyslexia (Orton Gillingham, etc.)	Yes
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) [Dr. Tim Stuart](mailto:stuartts@state.gov) | MED/CFP [Child and Family Program Team](mailto:MEDCFP@state.gov)

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