

Schloss Krumbach International School Schloss Krumbach International School is an IB World School providing education within the frame of International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB DP).

IB World Schools share a common philosophy – a commitment to improve the teaching and learning of a diverse and inclusive community of students by delivering challenging, high quality programmes of international education.

We raise extraordinarily well-educated individuals, critical thinkers and responsible citizens with a strong moral code and robust soft skills. Students of today are leaders of tomorrow, and SKIS students will lead well.

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The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment. These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.





#### **BOARDING SCHOOL**

for students of 12-19 years old [Austria]

## KNOWLEDGE, DISCIPLINE, RESPONSIBILITY

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#### SCHLOSS KRUMBACH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

An academically robust international institution with a foundational mission of raising morally principled, socially responsible and brilliantly educated young people.

We provide a childhood-appropriate learning experience of intellectual and social development, pure friendships and student leadership, free from the overflow of information and addictions of the digital world.

Type: International co-educational boarding school Age Group: 12-19 (Grades 7-12) Campus: A 13th Century Castle of Krumbach Diplomas Offered: IB Diploma, Cambridge A-Levels Language of Instruction: English/German (Middle School), English (High School) Class Sizes: Less than 16 students per class Boarding: 22-40 m<sup>2</sup> double/triple rooms, renovated and furnished in 2020-2021 Meals: on campus, 6 times per day Distance from Vienna: 90 km



### HOW DO WE NURTURE RESPONSIBILITY?

- Academic Excellence
- Social Position



### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

From the young age, students MUST work on gaining knowledge, skills and abilities through challenging and consistent intellectual labour, vital and necessary for development of brain, cognitive connections and neural networks.

#### **SKIS Students:**



write by hand so that the relevant hemisphere of the brain develops



memorise axioms and formulas for logical thinking to emerge





read classical literature and watch high-quality movies to nurture **imaginative thinking, excellent vocabulary and educated speech** 



study, practice, and perceive **classical art, music, and dance to encourage informed and consistent creativity** 

This a learning journey which requires time, effort, and consistency. Waiting up can cost you your child.

### INFORMATION ANALYSIS

Our students are taught to remain critical and ethical thinkers at the times of fake news, click thinking, and information overdose.







Due to no-gadget policy, SKIS protects its students from the flows of information clogging their consciousness, forming click thinking, damaging cognitive processes and often irrevocably hindering abilities of memorisation and focus.

Due to rich academic curriculum, SKIS provides them with an access to quality scientific and scholarly information, teaches them how to use this information, to analyze it, to extract from it answers to the questions posed.

#### BILINGUAL: TAUGHT IN ENGLISH AND GERMAN

#### Subjects:

- English Language & Literature
- German Language & Literature
- Additional language
- Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- Societies (History, Geography)
- Mathematics
- **Computer Science**
- Religion
- Music
- Art
- Sport

### MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 7-9)

Our bilingual programme in Grades 7 to 9 is tailored specifically to cover content knowledge and skills in English and German.

There is a learning sequence: students cover the subjects in English, while reinforcing concepts related to the content in German and vice versa. Hence students simultaneously acquire substantial knowledge of various topics and feel confident talking about the subject matter in either language.



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#### ENTIRELY TAUGHT IN ENGLISH

### PRE-DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (GRADE 10)

This grade is a preparatory phase before students enroll in a Diploma programme next year. The learning process is organized in a way that allows Grade 10 students to improve their language skills, accustom to the new studying environment, try and evaluate different subjects, and gain a final understanding of what they are going to take for the Diploma programme in Grades 11-12.

SKIS Career Counselling Team helps students explore the potential college venues to facilitate their choice of the Diploma subjects.

### HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 11-12)

Students in Grades 11-12 start their Diploma programme. Our school is currently offering two options - IB DP and Alevels. Both programmes provide high-quality international education in English language and are recognised by the universities worldwide.

We are happy to assist you in deciding on which of the two programmes suits you the best.

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#### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IB DP)



The IB DP is an international standard of secondary school education with a balanced academic programme and robust final examinations, recognised by the world's leading universities in 140+ countries.

The curriculum is made up of the DP core and six subject groups.

- Group 1- Studies in language and literature
- Group 2 Language acquisition
- Group 3 Individuals and societies
- Group 4 Sciences
- Group 5 Mathematics
- Group 6 The Arts

Each student takes at least three (but not more than four) subjects at higher level (HL), and the remaining at standard level (SL). Standard level subjects take up 150 teaching hours. Higher level comprises 240 teaching hours.

All the classes (apart from a non-English Language A) and examinations are held in English language.

In addition to the subjects studied, the DP also includes three key elements which enhance the educational experience of the students and encourage them to put their knowledge, skills and abilities to practical work:

- an extended essay
- theory of knowledge (TOK)
- creativity, activity, service (CAS)

GCE ADVANCED LEVEL **(A-LEVELS)** 

Cambridge Assessment International Education Cambridge International School

The A-Level is an internationally renowned academic programme recognised in the UK, US, Austria, Germany and other popular college destinations.

Upon the completion of the A-Levels, students receive the British General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) Advanced Level.

Each student selects 3 to 6 subjects to study and have a final examination on. Students have classes for 20 to 25 academic hours a week: 16 hours are devoted to the subjects of their choice, and 5 to 8 hours - to English. Creative classes and sports are optional.

The programme is divided into two one-year parts: AS (Advanced Subsidiary) and A2 (AL). Students receive an AS-Level certificate at the end of the first year in Grade 11, and an A2-Level certificate following the completion of the Grade 12. Then they take A-Level exams to receive a diploma.



### EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular activities at Schloss Krumbach International School fall into 4 categories:

- project or profession oriented
- scientific
- cultural
- athletic

Outside of school hours, students can pursue their interests in clubs that give them the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and engage in real practice.

Schloss Krumbach International School provides more than just education in the main subjects. It produces physically strong, well-raised adults that are adept at critical thinking and who demonstrate good manners and a modern worldview.

### A SCHOOL THAT CARES



It is the right of children to grow, develop and thrive, shielded from the negative and addictive aspects of the world around. It is also their right to benefit from the positive, kind, and age-appropriate parts of life, such as:

- Being healthy with a balanced 6-meals-a-day menu
- Keeping active via morning exercises, evening walks, daily sports
- Reading books and watching films, followed by discussions with peers and teachers
- Taking part in and organizing a range of activities, events, balls, plays, games, social gatherings
- Visiting theaters, concerts, museums, getting to know the wealth of world culture in Austria, Europe and beyond

Our students are well-read, principled, and intelligent. They speak up of what they know and know what they are talking about.



SKIS takes the creative development of its students with utmost responsibility and allocates extracurricular time and staff efforts to encourage their self-expression and critical thinking.





- Football, volleyball, basketball, badminton,
- Tennis, table tennis, running/jogging, walking, fitness classes, cardio workouts
- Aerobics, yoga, pilates, stretching
- Ice skating
- Hiking, Mountaineering
- Mountain biking
- Orienteering
- Outside pool in Krumbach
- Self-defense





• We are also a part of the Duke of Edinburgh framework, a UK-designed comprehensive system of extracurricular activities and sports that increases students' confidence, resilience, and team working skills and creates a competitive advantage when applying for college.



### STUDENT LEADERSHIP SYSTEM

Student leadership in our school is a system of relations between students, through which they can help manage key aspects of the school life via democratic processes and independent decision making.

#### Students form a responsible social position, in particular:



Sense of belonging. Students realize that they are part of a community which they can help and which helps them in return.



Social interaction skills. Students learn to express their opinions in a reasoned manner, discuss pressing issues, listen to others, and find compromises.



Productive teamwork both as a leader and as an implementer.



Friendship based on achievement of public good. The need for friendship comes to the fore at this age. The student leadership system provides an opportunity to make friends on the basis of creation and productive work.



Discovery of talents/Talentschmiede. In the student leadership system, students have an opportunity to show and develop their talents.



Initiative. The student leadership system encourages responsible initiative, with a full support of the school administration.

Respect for other people's labor. Only those who work themselves can truly appreciate the labor of other people.







Acquisition of knowledge and skills, for a social position to emerge, comes from constant productive work - the activities aimed at creating something truly useful for the community and others.

## STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE ISOLATED FROM THE "ADULT" EXPERIENCES.

### **AT SKIS:**

- Students live according to a balanced daily routine that includes studying, sport, meals, leisure and student leadership.?
- All the electronic devices are prohibited (with the exception of school laptops, computers, calculators, various experimentation equipment and IP phones in the children's rooms to enable them to keep in touch with their parents at all times).
- Alcohol, vapes, cigarettes, drugs and other similar substances are prohibited and nowhere to get! 🛙
- There is a procedure in place for the approval, dispensing and use of medication when children need it for health reasons.
- Swearing at school is a disciplinary offense.
- Any manifestations of racism, xenophobia, chauvinism is prohibited.
- 24/7 security is ensured through the use of CCTVs and constant supervision by staff.







### LOCATION

Schloss Krumbach International School is Austria's first and only school-castle.

Located in the Bucklige Welt, we are exposed to one the most beautiful parts of the country, on the easter edge of the Alps. The surrounding area is also known as the Land of the Thousand Hills, a poetic reference to a large number of hills enclosing the castle in a green forestry hug.

Krumbach Fortress was first built in the 11th century, but the current building dates to the 13th Century. The estate passed into the possession of noble Pálffy von Erdöd family in 1629 and served as a hotel for the last 30 years.

Prior to becoming a school in 2020, the castle underwent a significant renovation in accordance with the international standards on boarding schools. We currently have the most advanced learning equipment and the newest student facilities and accommodation.



We are a boarding school but we believe in traveling and seeing the world. Located at the crossroads of Europe, our school is extremely well-positioned: we can reach places without spending too much time on the road.

Seeing in real life the historical and cultural sites, museums, and galleries one has just studied in class is a truly gratifying experience. Some of thetrips are mandatory for all the students and are integrated into the school schedule for each of the Grades.

There are also additional reward trips for students who excel academically or demonstrate an eager involvement in the school life. These trips are designed as an incentive for students to study better and become pro-active members of the SKIS community.

At the end of the academic year, there is always an All-School Final Trip to celebrate what we have achieved all together and to create new wonderful memories.



# CAMPUS

Our campus is a safe space with highly developed infrastructure, round-the-clock security and excellent equipment:

- 18 classrooms
- 2 Science Labs
- <u>3 Libraries</u>
- <u>Art Room</u>
- PC Lab

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- The Dinner Hall
- Observatory

- The Grand Castle Hall
- The Aerobics Room
- Gym
  - Outdoors Stadium
- Chapel
- A Multifunctional





### BOARDING

Our dormitories are a love from the first sight. Students live in light spacious rooms of 22-40 m<sup>2</sup> that have been converted from a luxury hotel.

Girls and boys occupy separate residential blocks.





Each room is designed to accommodate two/three students and has all the necessary equipment:

- comfortable beds with orthopedic mattresses and snow white linens
- a range of areas to keep and store personal items: wardrobes, chests of drawers, sideboards
- a shared table with adjustable lighting
- every room comes en-suite and has its own bathroom

In design, we prefer a moderate pastel color palette and safe eco materials to render students' free time relaxing and meditative.

Eating healthy is living healthy. Our students spend a lot of energy on studying and sports, and we have created a carefully crafted meal plan, approved by nutrition scientists and experienced pediatricians, to fuel our students' intellectual, physical, and creative powers.

### A HEALTHY DIET

The daily menu consists of six meals a day and offers a healthy mix of protein, vitamins, seasonal veggies, and much more. Meals are provided at the school's dining hall on a full board basis.





Nature and sustainability play important roles in the school's vision. The castle's unique location allows our students to not only focus on their studies, but also immerse themselves in the amazing views of the Krumbach area and expand their horizons with field research.

Schloss Krumbach International School is located a 50-minute drive from Vienna. The school's perfect location allows our students to actively participate in all of the Austrian capital's major cultural events, regularly visit art and natural history museums, the Vienna State Opera and Philharmonic, as well as modern theatres and galleries.

### ANNUAL FEES, 2024-2025

### (paid yearly, throughout the whole time at SKIS)

**Schloss Krumbach International School** offers **only full boarding** studying option. This is because our responsible and consistent strategy of well-rounded education - and implementation of our mission to protect students' childhood - is only possible if applied on a daily basis, throughout the whole school year.

We purposefully reduced our fees to make SKIS more accessible to academically talented, socially responsible, and motivated students of different backgrounds.

### Middle School (Grades 7, 8, 9) € 39 900

### High School (Grades 10, 11, 12) € 43 680

SKIS upholds high institutional standards: it is a school for children striving to study and achieve.



Our school is NO playground. We expect our students to be hard-working and principled learners, doers, and friends.

Every child HAS the right to remain a child for their time at school.

We believe in that with our whole organisational heart, and work towards it with everything we can.



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### HOW TO APPLY TO SKIS

Applicants may apply to Schloss Krumbach International School throughout the year, though the preferable time to begin the admissions process is at the beginning of the academic year.

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To be admitted to the school, students undergo a robust selection process, based on the subject assessments and personal interviews. We also evaluate the motivation and aims of the family - a successful cooperation is only possible if we share values and views.

The school year at SKIS starts at the end of August, yet we consider applications at any point throughout the year.

To start the application process, contact our Admissions Office, **at info@krumbach.school or through + 43 676 54 09 630.** 



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