

# IGCSE Information

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# What is IGCSE?

- International General Certificate of Secondary Education
- English language curriculum
- Preparation for International Baccalaureate (IB)

# Examinations at SISS Secondary

Y5	Y6	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12
Lower Secondary				IGCSE courses		IB DP courses	

**Checkpoint Exams**

**IGCSE Exams**

**IB Exams**



# Provisional Overview 2021 - 2023

Aug 2021	Sep 2021	Oct 2021	Nov 2021	Dec 2021	Jan 2022
<b>Year 9</b>					Report card 1 <sup>st</sup> semester
Feb 2022	Mar 2022	Apr 2022	May 2022	Jun 2022	Jul 2022
		Work experience			Report card 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester
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<b>Year 10</b>					Mock exams, report card 1 <sup>st</sup> semester
Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May/June 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023
IGCSE final entries	IGCSE orals		IGCSE exams	Report card 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	IGCSE results

# Compulsory Subjects Year 9 & 10

- International Mathematics
- Co-ordinated Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- English First Language
- German (First Language or Foreign language)
- French or Spanish (Foreign language)
- History
- Geography
- Politics
- Music or Art & Design or Drama
- Sports



# IGCSE Exam Subjects

## Main subjects

- International Mathematics 0607
- Co-ordinated Sciences 0654
- English First Language 0500
- German (First Language 0505 or Foreign language 0525) or French 0520 or Spanish 0530
- History 0470 or/and Geography 0460

## Optional subjects

- Music 0410 or Art & Design 0400 or Drama 0411
- Another language (from above)



# How are IGCSE subjects assessed?

- Usually around 1 - 4 exams per subject
- Written examination: all subjects
- Oral examination: German, French, Spanish
- Listening examination: German, French, Spanish
- Practical examination: Art & Design
- Coursework: Art & Design, Drama and Music

# IGCSE vs German Grading System

IGCSE	German	Explanation
A*	1	Outstanding
A	2	Good
B	3	Satisfactory
C	4	Sufficient
D	5	Fail: Work below expectations
≤ E	6	Fail: Does not meet requirements

# IB Entrance Requirements at SISS

**1. IGCSE finals:** min. grade C in all five main subjects

**2. Final report card of year 10**

- average grade max. 3.0 in main subjects:  
Mathematics, one Science, English and German
- average grade max. 3.0 in all other subjects together

# The Importance of the Report Cards

- IB entrance requirement
- Receiving an adequate German qualification
- Applying to a different school in Germany
- Applying for an apprenticeship

# Adequate German Qualifications

## Realschulabschluss

- Min. grade C in all IGCSE main subjects
- [Year 10 report card](#)

## Hauptschulabschluss

- Min. grade G in all IGCSE main subjects
- [Year 9 report card](#)

**Source:** administrative regulations of the State of Hesse  
*ABl. 7/11 pp. 286 (16<sup>th</sup> June 2011)*

# Thank you for your time!



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