

SCHOOL PROFILE 2024-2025

LYCEE FRANCAIS INTERNATIONAL AFLEC - DUBAI



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THE SCHOOL

Founded in 2003, the Lycée Français International de l'AFLEC of Dubai is a private educational institution that is recognized by the French Ministry of National Education from pre-KG to Grade 12 classes and schooling more than 3100 students from over 61 different nationalities, with a majority of French and Lebanese students.

The school is part of the AFLEC group (French-Lebanese Association for Education and Culture). It is also a partner of the Mission Laïque Française (French Secular Mission) and the Agency for French Education Abroad (AEFE).

With an exceptional success rate at the baccalaureate (G12) and national diploma of brevet (G9), the school offers an education that is in line with the programs and instructions of the French Ministry of National Education and follows the guidelines of the UAE Ministry of Education and the Knowledge and Human Development Authority in Dubai (KHDA).

Admission is highly competitive; students are selected based on their strong academic potential as well as their contribution to the school's cultural diversity, in line with Dubai's multicultural and multinational environment.

Rated **Outstanding** by the KHDA, the LFI has a team of highly educated and qualified staff, and is committed to academic excellence and to the ambition that the French education system offers to its students.

THE CURRICULUM (K-12)

The LFI teaches the French national curriculum, from pre-K to high school, focusing mainly on the following aspects for students:

Nursery school:

- Development and language

Primary school:

- Acquisition of fundamental knowledge
- Practice of foreign languages
- Enjoyment of learning

Lower secondary school:

- Consolidation of basic knowledge
- Guidance assistance
- Diplôme National du Brevet in G9

Upper secondary school:

- Planning their future with a gradual specialization (maths, philosophy, ...)
- Broadening their chosen subjects
- Baccalaureate exams in G11 and G12; with the "grand oral" exam at the end of G12

The school also offers different streams which follow the French national curriculum, leading to the Diplôme National du Brevet (DNB) and the French Baccalauréat or the International French Baccalauréat.

- English classes for all students starting from nursery school (3 hours/week)
- American International Section curriculum leading to the BFI (8 hours/week taught in English)
- Teaching of Arabic, German, Spanish, Chinese, Italian, Greek, Latin languages
- Connected classrooms starting G4 (students start using iPads)
- Personalized educational paths starting G6 (theater, music, arts, sports, etc.)
- community services and entrepreneurship opportunities
- International career counseling starting G10

PARTNERS



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

The school offers a multitude of extracurricular activities such as basketball, arts, guitar, gymnastics, theater, football, running, tennis, kung fu, taekwondo, zumba, hip-hop dance, etc. Tutoring activities (Student Teacher Assistants) take place whereby students of upper secondary school volunteer to help students of primary school in the classroom and with their homework.

Starting grade 9, students also attend MUN conferences, whereby they act as the representatives to solve a problem with other delegates from around the world. This teaches them research, speaking, debating, and writing skills, in addition to critical thinking, teamwork, and leadership abilities.



CURRICULUM : HIGH SCHOOL

All high school students follow the core French curriculum: Philosophy, History/ Geography, English, Foreign languages (Spanish, German, Italian, Mandarin, Arabic) and Sports (16 hours in Grade 11, 15.5 hours in Grade 12).

In Grade 11, they select 3 specialties (4 hours of each, a total of 12 hours) from which they retain 2 in Grade 12 (6 hours of each, a total of 12 hours). Usually, students retain the 2 specialties they want to study in university.

The specialties they can choose from are:

- Economics and Social Studies
- History, Geography, Geopolitics and Political Science
- Humanities, Literature and Philosophy
- an English course in Language, Literature and Foreign Culture Or Language, culture and contemporary world
- Life and Earth Sciences
- Mathematics
- Physics and Chemistry
- Digital and Computer Sciences

Students may also select electives in Grades 11 (1 elective) and 12 (2 electives)- 3 hours of each.

- The G11 electives are: Foreign Language, Arts, Sports, Languages and Antiquity Culture
- The additional electives for G12 are: Law and major challenges of the contemporary world, Expert mathematics, Complementary mathematics

The BFI (Baccalaureat Francais International), is a French baccalaureate in line with the international option. It is prepared only in the International sections. High school students take all the tests corresponding to their series, with the exception of the foreign language of the section and history-geography which are subject to specific tests, both written and oral.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The general French Baccalaureate students are evaluated through continuous assessments as well as final, specific exams. The pass mark is 10 out of 20.

For the baccalauréat, four levels of honors are given:

- A mark between 10 and 11,99 will earn the student a mention passable (Average)
- A mark beyond 12 will earn a mention "honors"
 - Between 12 and 13.99: honors "Assez Bien"
 - Between 14 and 15.99: high honors "Bien"
 - 16 or higher: highest honors "Très Bien"

The students enrolled in the International Section pass the French International Baccalaureate (BFI) with 40.5% of the tests taken in English.

ASSESSMENT POLICY

Students get an average grade per term (in G11 and 12), per semester (in G10), based on the following:

- 40% of their graded assignments (be it class work, individual or group work, projects, individual tests, etc.)
- 60% of their graded assignments that are in line with the baccalaureate

They also get:

- At least 2 graded assignments if their weekly schedule is below 2 hours
- At least 3 graded assignments if their weekly schedule is equal to or above 2 hours

Students who are absent, regardless of the reason of their absence, make up for their assignments.

FRENCH SYSTEM SPECIFICITIES

The general high school education emphasizes on the development of analytical, critical, and methodological skills, preparing students to succeed in higher education and beyond. This approach is distinguished by several key aspects:

- **Academic Depth:** Students are encouraged to deepen their knowledge in various subjects, promoting a comprehensive and interdisciplinary understanding of the subjects studied.
- **Critical Thinking:** The French system values students' ability to analyze, critique, and synthesize information. They learn to question sources, evaluate arguments, and develop their own critical thinking.
- **Rigorous Methodology:** Students acquire strong methodological skills, such as time management, research, and structured writing, essential skills for success in higher education and the professional world.
- **Diversity of Specializations:** The choice of specializations in the final years allows students to tailor their education according to their interests and future ambitions, while maintaining a solid common foundation.
- **Preparation for Higher Education:** The baccalaureate, the final secondary school diploma, is recognized for its rigor and demands. It prepares students for a successful transition to higher education, whether at university, in a "Grande Ecole", a selective school or in technological fields.

Differences with Other Educational Systems:

- **Flexibility and Specialization:** the French general high school offers great flexibility with the choice of specializations, allowing students to focus on their preferred fields from the G11.
- **Continuous and Final Assessment:** The French system combines continuous assessments throughout the year with final exams, providing a comprehensive picture of students' skills and knowledge.
- **Holistic Education:** In addition to academic subjects, the general high school includes physical education, arts, and moral and civic education, contributing to the overall development of the student.



GRADING SCALE & TRANSCRIPT

In France, grades are out of 20. The grading equivalent of the French curriculum, with the US, is mentioned in the grade equivalency grid below:

French Grade	Letter Grade	Grade Points	IB	A Level	Performance	Narrative comment
16 - 20	A+	4	7	A	Excellent	An excellent or outstanding performance that is an increment above the expectations of a routine Grade A in the US system. An average of 16 out of 20 for all subjects after applying coefficients merits "mention tres bien" (highest honors) for the French Baccalaureate.
14 - 15.99	A		6	A	Very Good	A solid Grade A performance in the US system. An average of 14 out of 20 for all subjects after applying coefficients merits "mention bien" (high honors) for the French Baccalaureate.
13 - 13.99	A-	3.7				
12 - 12.99	B+	3.3				
11 - 11.99	B	3	5	B	Good	Not quite Grade A performance but commendable work that is slightly above the basic college recommending level. An average of 12 out of 20 for all subjects after applying coefficients merits "mention assez bien" (honors) for the French Baccalaureate.
10 - 10.99	B-	2.7	4	C	Average	A "college recommending" performance average work. For the IB, Grade 4 scores in all 6 subjects provide the necessary 24 points required to receive the full Diploma. Similarly, an average of 10 out of 20 for all subjects after applying coefficients represents the passing level for the French Baccalaureate.
9 - 9.99	C+	2.3				
8 - 8.99	C	2	3	D	Mediocre	Marks at this level are not viewed as recommending grades in the French system.
7 - 7.99	C-	1.7				
6 - 6.99	D+	1.3				
5 - 5.99	D	1	2	E	Poor	Marks at this level would be the lowest possible permitted for passing a course in the American system.
4 - 4.99	D-	0.5				
1 - 3.99		0				
< 1	F	0	1	F	Very poor	A performance at this level is viewed as outright failure in the American system. In the French system a zero grade is the lowest possible grade which can be given.



POST-BACCALAUREATE

THE CLASS OF 2025

The class of 2025 is a diversified cohort of 118 students, composed of 65 boys and 53 girls. Among them are 49 students of French nationality, 20 Lebanese, and the rest are from other nationalities (Canada, Italy, Syrie, Maroc, Algérie, Tunisie, Congo, Portugal, Dominica, UK, Sweden, USA, Colombie, Cote d'Ivoire, Australia, Cameroon.)

THE CLASS OF 2024

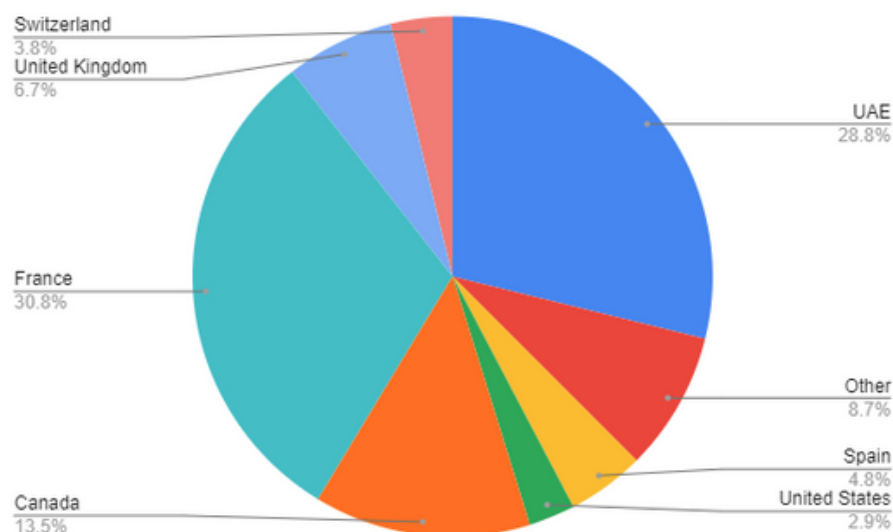
EXAM RESULTS & HIGHER EDUCATION

In the 2024 session of the French baccalaureate, our students scored 100% success rate. Among them, 89,3% graduated with honors (mentions), as follows:

- Mentions très bien : 28, %
- Mentions bien : 26 %
- Mentions assez bien : 21 %

Among the students having received a mention très bien, 14% were with high distinction (Félicitations du jury).

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION



UNIVERSITY MATRICULATIONS

College acceptances and enrollment from 2024 include:



CPGE Lycée du Parc
Ecole de commerce EDHEC
EM LYON
EMSA
EPITA
ESCAM
ESCP
ESSEC
INSEEC
ISCOM
SORBONNE



American University of Dubai
American University of Sharjah
Birmingham University
Canadian University of Dubai
EM Normandie
ESMOD Dubai
NYU Abu Dhabi
Sorbonne Abu Dhabi
UOWD



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Kingston University