

“Your children, our expertise, their future”

**Living, learning and achieving
in a friendly and caring international community**

BACKGROUND

The Haut-Lac International Bilingual School educates students from around the world, side by side with local Swiss students. Within the framework of an academically rigorous, student-centred programme, the school strives to create a stimulating bilingual environment which takes into account the diverse cultural backgrounds of the 650 children and adolescents aged 3 to 18 years in its care. Their studies culminate in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. A wide variety of extra-curricular activities complements the academic life of the school.

MISSION STATEMENT

Haut-Lac International Bilingual School seeks to provide a creative, well-balanced curriculum, delivered in a happy and nurturing setting, where learning is relevant and adapted to the 21st century.

The students are encouraged to succeed as individuals in a spirit of open-mindedness and an atmosphere of community, aware of their own heritage and culture, whilst showing respect for others and their differences. We aim to motivate them to achieve the best they possibly can, thus building up their self-esteem and establishing a sound foundation for the future.

As they mature, students are guided to be autonomous, self-disciplined and methodical in their work. Qualities such as intellectual curiosity and analytical reflection, a desire to help others and an understanding of the importance of sharing and team-work are embraced as essential and enriching elements on the road to personal success. Whilst the school's educational programme focuses on enabling each student to communicate with ease in the school's two working languages, it also encourages the acquisition of other languages and the maintenance of mother-tongue development.

The Haut-Lac community endeavours to reflect positive moral, social and educational values, and aspires to develop in its students the skills, knowledge and character required to become responsible citizens, confident of taking their place in a rapidly changing, inter-dependent, global society. Our expectations are high and all are challenged and encouraged to exploit their potential to the full.

At Haut-Lac we are committed to continuous development in all aspects of the education offered and believe in working together with the parents, as well as the local and international communities, to achieve this.

**“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”
(William Butler Yeats 1865 – 1939)**