



WHOLE SCHOOL TOTAL NUMBER



TEACHER-STUDENT RATIO



**FOUNDED IN 2018** 

## First Graduation Cohort Class of 2025

44% accepted to first-choice university

40% accepted to ED/REA

40% majored in Social Science/Humanities

34% majored in STEM

19% majored in Arts

6% majored in Business

# STUDENT POPULATION











NON-BOARDING SCHOOL

Curriculum: Chinese National Curriculum, IGCSE, IBDP

# **OUR VISION**

We offer a pioneering education to serve and help shape a better world.





(Formerly known as Wellington College China Huili School Shanghai)

# **OUR SCHOOL**

Hiba Academy Shanghai is a bilingual school that offers a 16-year academic program including nursery, elementary school, and secondary school. Hiba Academy Shanghai was founded in 2018 and is part of the Wellington College Education Group.

We are dedicated to connecting the educational excellence of the East and West to create a student-centered, bilingual, and bicultural learning experience. We aim to meet the requirements of the Chinese National Curriculum integrated with a customized international curriculum, culminating in globally recognized qualifications. We are committed to establishing the best bilingual school by integrating high-quality international and Chinese education.

At Hiba, we empower students to become future-ready learners, connectors, and changemakers. Wherever life takes them, they will face real-world challenges with confidence and resilience, proudly represent their Chinese identity with a global outlook, and lead with both passion and compassion to become the change they wish to

Our bilingual education model is based on four foundational principles that guide us to achieve common goals: inclusive leadership that empowers innovation, agile collaboration that maximizes success, a vibrant community that builds meaningful partnerships, and actionable sustainability both on and off campus.

# HIGHER EDUCATION **AND CAREERS TEAM**

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# **GRADE 9 AND 10 CURRICULUM**

## IGCSE CURRICULUM AND RESULTS

In Grades 9 and 10, students complete the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSEs), which result in externally graded examinations. In Grade 9, students also take the Zhongkao, which assesses content and understanding from the Chinese National Curriculum (CNC).

During Grades 9 and 10, students work toward their final IGCSE qualifications. The school provides formative grades on reports four times per year. These grades indicate what a student is likely to achieve at the end of the two-year IGCSE course in their final exams. The final IGCSE grade for each subject is awarded by Cambridge Assessment and is the only certified grade included on students' transcripts. Therefore, one final grade is reported for both Grade 9 and Grade 10.

While all IGCSE courses are two-year courses, the Class of 2026 completed their mathematics IGCSE at the beginning of Grade 9. This early completion allowed students to study mathematics at a deeper level during Grade 10.

Language	Mathematics	Science courses	Social studies courses	Elective courses
Chinese First Language* English Language* English Literature	Mathematics*	Triple Science (Chemistry, Biology, Physics) Coordinated Science  (Students must study all three sciences to meet the Zhongkao requirements and choose one of the courses from this selection. Triple Science results in three IGCSEs, one for each science, whereas Coordinated Science results in two IGCSEs for all three sciences.)	History Geography Economics  (Students must choose one course from this selection)	History Geography Economics Global Perspectives Drama Music Art Computer Science Spanish PE  (Students must choose two courses from this selection. Social studies courses are included in this selection as some students choose to study more than one social studies course)

Chinese First Language\*

Studying English at IGCSE







English'

\*Means these subjects were compulsory for all Grade 9 and 10 students

Mathematics'

There are three English IGCSE courses offered at Hiba: English as a First Language, English as a Second Language, and English Literature. In Grade 9, the majority of students study English as a First Language and English Literature. However, a small number of students take English as a Second Language and sit for the exam at the end of Grade 9. All students study English as a First Language in Grade 10, and most continue with English Literature.

The Class of 2026 achieved very impressive results, which were published in August 2024. Below are some highlights summarizing the percentage of total exam grades earned by the class:

Total	Class of 2025/2026
<b>A*</b>	50%
A*-A	85%
A*-B	97%

For the Class of 2026, the maximum number of courses a student could take was 10, and the minimum was 7. The majority of students took 9.

The IGCSEs are graded on an A\*-G scale, with A\* being the highest grade and G the lowest. A grade of U may also be given to students who do not meet the minimum standard for the course.

В	
С	
D	
E	
F	
G	

## CHINESE NATIONAL CURRICULUM

Hiba Academy Shanghai students follow an integrated curriculum that combines both the Chinese National Curriculum (CNC) and an international curriculum. The CNC prepares students for the "Huikao" exams, which take place over four years, from Grade 6 to Grade 9, during Junior High. The final exam, the "Zhongkao," is taken at the end of Grade 9 and marks the end of compulsory education in the Chinese national system. The Huikao and Zhongkao exams cover a total of 12 subjects. Students who pass all 12 receive a certificate acknowledging their completion of compulsory Chinese education. Students who hold a Chinese National ID are required to take both the Zhongkao and Huikao exams. They are prepared for these exams alongside their IGCSE studies.

## **IBDP**

In Grades 11 and 12, students complete the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP). The IBDP is a rigorous international gualification that is externally assessed at the end of Grade 12. Students are required to study six subjects from the six IB subject groups, with three at Higher Level (HL) and three at Standard Level (SL). Students may choose to replace the Group 6 subject with an additional subject from Groups 1-4.

In addition to the six subjects, students must complete the IB Core: Theory of Knowledge (TOK), the Extended Essay (EE), and Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS).

The table below shows the subjects offered at Hiba Academy Shanghai to the Class of 2026.

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
Chinese Language and Literature (SL/HL)  English Language and Literature (SL/HL)	English (HL) Spanish (Ab Initio)	History (SL/HL)  Geography (SL/HL)  Economics (SL/HL)  Psychology (SL/HL)  Environmental Systems and Societies (SL/HL)	Biology (SL/HL)  Chemistry (SL/HL)  Physics (SL/HL)  Computer Science (SL/HL)  Environmental Systems and Societies (SL/HL)	Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL/HL)	Visual Art (SL/HL)  Music (SL/HL)  Theatre (SL/HL)

IBDP subjects from the six subject groups are graded on a 1-7 scale, with 7 being the highest possible score.

The TOK course and the Extended Essay (EE) are graded on an A-E scale.

CAS is assessed on a pass/fail basis at the end of the 18-month course, as determined by the student's CAS advisor.

All subjects are externally assessed by the IB. Students receive a grade on the 1-7 scale for each of their six subjects, and an A-E grade for both TOK and the EE. The six subjects make up a total of 42 points, and the Core (TOK + EE) can contribute up to 3 additional points, bringing the maximum possible score to 45. CAS must be passed in order to receive the diploma but does not carry any points. Students must earn a minimum of 24 points to be awarded the IB Diploma.

We do not rank students, nor do we calculate GPA. During the two-year program, students receive formative grades in their reports indicating the grade they are most likely to achieve at the end of Grade 12 when they sit for their final IBDP exams. Grades from Semester 1 and 2 of Grade 11 are included on the transcript. Predicted grades for Grade 12 are issued at the beginning of the final year and included on the transcript as well. These are later replaced by the official final IBDP grades, awarded by the IB in July of Grade 12. No grades for TOK and the EE are provided during Grade 11; they appear only in the Grade 12 portion of the transcript.

## **MASTER'S AWARD**

The Masters Award is given to one student from each grade level at the end of each academic year. It is considered the "Student of the Year" award and is presented to students who demonstrate outstanding academic performance and behavior, consistently model the school's values in all areas of school life, and make meaningful contributions to the school community. A panel of senior leaders selects the recipients based on school data and teacher feedback, and the awards are announced at the end-of-year assembly.

## SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

The Hiba Scholarship is available to students in Grade 8 and above and recognizes excellence in academics, sports, and the arts, as well as overall impact on the school community. Hiba Scholars have a consistent and proven record of outstanding academic achievement, demonstrate leadership in their area of excellence, show unwavering kindness to their peers, and maintain an exemplary behavior record. They also serve as mentors and role models within the school. The scholarship is awarded to students entering Grade 8 and above and includes financial awards of up to 50% of the annual tuition fee. Currently, approximately 5% of high school students (Grades 8-12) receive the Hiba Scholarship.

# HATS (HIGHLY ABLE AND **TALENTED STUDENTS)**

The Highly Able and Talented Students (HATS) Program is an initiative designed to further stretch and challenge top-performing students who consistently demonstrate exceptional academic achievement in their courses. These students are selected to participate in the program, where they are given a unique opportunity to grow and excel even further.

As part of the HATS Program, each student is assigned a mentor from the senior leadership team and the Higher Education and Careers team, who provide guidance and support throughout their journey.

United States	Pennsylvania State	University of California,	University of Wisconsin, Madison	The University of British Columbia, Vancouver	
Amherst College	University, University Park	Los Angeles	Vassar College		
ArtCenter College of	Pratt Institute	University of California, Merced	Worcester Polytechnic	University of Calgary	
Design	Reed College	University of California, Riverside	Institute	University of Toronto	
Bard College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	University of California, San Diego	United Kingdom	University of Waterloo	
Barnard College	Ringling College of Art		Durham University	Western University	
Boston College	and Design	University of California, Santa Barbara	Goldsmiths, University	York University	
Boston University	Rose-Hulman Institute		of London	Australia	
Brandeis University	of Technology	University of California,	Imperial College London	Australian National	
Brown University	Rutgers University	Santa Cruz	King's College London	University	
California Institute	- New Brunswick	University of Connecticut	London School of	Monash University	
of the Arts	Rutgers University	University of Florida	Economics and Political	The University of Sydno	
Colby College	- Undergraduate Admissions	University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign	Science	University of Melbourn	
College of William & Mary	Santa Clara University		University College London	Asia and Middle Ea	
Cornell University	Savannah College of	University of Massachusetts, Amherst	University of Birmingham	Georgetown University	
Duke University	Art and Design		University of Bristol	Qatar	
Emerson College	School of the Art Institute	University of Michigan, Flint	University of Edinburgh	Hong Kong University	
Fordham University	of Chicago	University of Minnesota	University of Manchester	Science and Technology	
Hult International	School of Visual Arts	Twin Cities	University of Oxford	Lingnan University	
Business School, Boston	Stanford University	University of North	University of St Andrews	Ritsumeikan Asia Pacif	
Maryland Institute	Swarthmore College	Carolina at Chapel Hill	University of the Arts	University	
College of Art	Syracuse University	University of Pittsburgh	London	The University of Hong Kong	
Michigan State University	The New School	University of Rochester	University of Warwick		
Middlebury College	The Ohio State University	University of Southern	Canada	University of California, Berkeley & The University	
New York University	University of California, Berkeley	California	McGill University		
Northeastern University	University of California, Davis	University of Virginia	McMaster University	of Hong Kong - Dual Degree Program	

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