



Education – Schools

The large, long-established American community in France makes possible a wide range of educational opportunities for Americans. Essentially three types of schools are available: private American schools, bilingual schools where both French and English are used, and the French school system, taught in French, which is designed to lead to the Baccalaureate examination. American children have been accepted in French schools and, when necessary, tutored in the French language.

The Embassy does not recommend particular schools or send representatives to visit them. For more information on any of the schools listed below, please contact the schools directly.

American and British Schools

The American School of Paris (K – 12)

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92210 St Cloud

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E-mail: bheussaff@asParis.org (admissions secretary)

The American School of Paris, or ASP as the school is more familiarly called, is an independent, non-profit accredited co-educational school, pre-kindergarten through grade 12 that offers an American educational program to students of all nationalities. The Lower School (grades kindergarten-5) offers an educational program typical of reputable American elementary schools, with emphasis on meeting individual needs. The school has a guidance counselor, and English as a foreign language (ESOL) is instructed. A French language and culture program is included in the curriculum for all students. In addition an extra-curricular program of Franco-American activities for older students (grades 4-5) creates opportunities to mix with French children. Consistent with ASP's educational philosophy, the middle school offers a program of studies based on an American curriculum. Most school activities are self-contained: students have their own art, drama and sports programs. In addition there are frequent class trips and for 7th and 8th graders, the popular Outward Bound Program. The aim is to provide a varied and challenging educational program which emphasizes academic excellence as well as personal, social and intellectual growth. While encouraging students to excel, the middle school stresses cooperative behavior and respect for the rights and feelings of others. The upper school (grades 9-12, with an optional 13th year) provides a rigorous college preparatory program and extra-curricular

activities typical of better independent schools in the United States. In addition to a standard American curriculum, the school offers a wide range of Advanced Placement courses, an intensive program for non-native English speakers, and the International Baccalaureate Diploma, permitting entrance to universities worldwide. Eighty percent of any graduating class has taken Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate courses. Knowledge of French language and culture is stressed, with additional programs in Spanish, German. Facilities include four science laboratories, two gymnasiums, sports fields, a self-service cafeteria, and a 400-seat Performing Arts Center, used for numerous musical and dramatic activities. Website: <http://www.asParis.org>

Marymount International School

(Nursery through 8th grade)

72, boulevard de la Saussaye

92200 Neuilly-sur-Seine

Headmistress: Brigitte Dalton

Tel: 01 46 24 10 51

Fax: 01 46 37 07 50

Marymount School, Paris is accredited by the Middle States Association of College and Schools, and was founded by the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary in 1923. Today its aim is to fulfill the needs of elementary school students who will be spending only a few years in France and who wish to maintain continuity with an English-speaking program of education. It is a catholic, independent school open to boys and girls of all nationalities and religions. It has close ties with other Marymount Schools throughout the world. The students of Marymount range from nursery school through eighth grade, 4 to 14 years. Math and English classes form the core of the curriculum along with specialized courses in art, music, science, social studies, computer technologies, physical education and daily French lessons taught by native-born French teachers. The kindergarten level uses a Montessori approach. There is an English as a Second Language department as well as a Resource Center for children having learning difficulties that cannot be met within the regular classroom. Admission to this class is limited and based upon specific criteria. Marymount offers a strong after-school activities program. It provides opportunities for students to follow interests or needs in the areas of sports, music, drama, dance, karate, and art. Website: <http://www.ecole-marymount.fr> / E-mail: school@ecole-marymount.fr

International School of Paris (K-12)

6, rue Beethoven

75016 Paris

Tel: 01 42 24 09 54

Fax: 01 45 27 15 93

Founded in 1964, the International School of Paris is a private, co-educational school, accredited by the European Council on International Schools (ECIS,) the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC,) and the French Ministry of the Interior. I.S.P. is a truly international school, with students and staff from 38 countries. The school offers an individualized Anglo-American/international curriculum, with instruction in mathematics, the experimental sciences, computing, the social sciences, physical education, the fine arts and language. The classes number 20 or fewer students. Instruction is

conducted in English, with the exception of language classes. Students who are fluent in English are required to study French language and culture: up to 2 hours per week for K1/K2, 3 hours minimum per week for grades 1-4, and over 4 hours minimum per week for the remaining grades. I.S.P. provides a demanding program in grades 11-12, leading to the prestigious International Baccalaureate (I.B.) diploma or certificates, or the U.S. high school diploma. Exams offered: SSAT, PSAT, I.B., IGCSE. Extracurricular activities include drama, soccer, swimming, martial arts, computing, and Saturday sports club. The I.S.P. accepts students throughout the school year, provided there is appropriate space available. Detailed information about the school's facilities, academic program, and bus service is available from the Director of Admissions.

Website: <http://www.isParis.edu> / E-mail: info@isParis.edu

British School (K-12)

Tel: 01 34 80 45 85

38, quai de l'Ecluse
78290 Croissy sur Seine

This is a small co-educational school. Instruction is conducted in English, Kindergarten through high school. Emphasis is placed on preparation for students' entry into all preparatory schools and colleges in Great Britain and the United States. The school will arrange for both the General Certificate of Education (advanced and ordinary level) for university entrance and the U.S. College Board Examination. Bus service is available for the Paris area, and hot lunches are served. Brochures and further information are available at the school or on the website:

<http://www.rmplc.co.uk/eduweb/sites/Paris>.

The American Business School

Tel: 01 40 03 15 04

12, rue Alexandre Parodi
75010 Paris

Fax: 01 40 03 15 05

The American Business School Paris, is a constituent college of IGS University one of the largest private non-profit educational institutions in France which enrolls over 8000 students. The American Business School France offers a 4 year English language Bachelor of Business Administration program in partnership with AACSB accredited universities and colleges in the United States of America. Students can major in International Finance, International Marketing and International Business. A new major, "Entrepreneurship and E-business" will be offered as of 2001.

Website: <http://www.groupe-pgs.asso.fr/abs> / E-mail: absParis@groupe-igs.org

L'école Koenig (American music conservatory)

Tel: 01 45 78 01 75

33, rue Fondary.

75015 Paris

Attn: Joan Koenig (Director) or Muriel Ossena (Administrator)

Located in the 15th arrondissement, l'Ecole Koenig is the only American music conservatory in Paris. French and American students come after school during the week, on Wednesdays and on Saturdays to study music and theater in a nurturing environment with a rigorous and joyful approach. Classes are taught in both English and French, creating a dynamic cross-cultural community.

Website: www.ecolekoenig.com / E-mail: ecolekoenig@wanadoo.fr

L'Ecole Koenig is primarily a music school and offers:

- private lessons for children in cello, drums, flute, guitar, bass, violin, piano, jazz piano, clarinet, recorder, guitar, saxophone;
- ensembles for guitar, flute, jazz, chamber music and orchestra;
- music fundamentals, which develops the basic music skills needed to progress in an
- instrument.

Musical Theater

L'Ecole Koenig also offers musical theater classes for students, which also includes the opportunity to participate in several American musicals each year. Recent shows have included "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" and "Grease". The classes are divided into four sections: 6-8 year olds, 9-11 year olds, 12-14 year olds and Junior Pros.

Baby Bop

Toddlers and parents come together during "Baby Bop", which is a class focuses on sounds, movement and percussion

Faculty

Classes and lessons are taught by highly-qualified teachers. Teachers include graduates from The Juilliard School, Yale University, The Paris Conservatory, the Royal Academy of Music of London and the Hochschule fur Musik und Kunst of Vienna.

Enrollment

Interviews for enrollment take place in June and September. For mid-session enrollments, please contact the school for availability.

Bilingual and Transition Schools

(Pre-K, Kindergarten, Primary, Middle and High schools)

Collège-Lycée Internationale De Paris Honore De Balzac

Tel: 01 53 11 12 13

118, boulevard Bessières
75017 Paris

The Lycée Collège Internationale de Paris, Honoré de Balzac at the Porte de Clichy (17e) provides free bilingual education. Its five established international sections (English, German, Spanish, Portuguese and Arabic) operate as part of a large French state secondary school and offer the opportunity for a French education adapted to the needs of international students. All students follow a French syllabus and in addition:

- * English language and literature (4-6 hours a week);
- * English History Geography (2 hours a week);

The school also provides classes in French as a Foreign Language (FLE) to enable students from abroad to integrate successfully into the program. Entrance tests for the school year starting in September 2002 are on May 15 and 16. Candidates interested in taking the tests should call or write the school or E-mail: mailing address: Lycée Collège Honoré de Balzac / Sections internationales, 118, boulevard Bessières, 75849 Paris Cedex 17. Parents and children considering bilingual education in Paris will find a description of the school's entrance requirements and curriculum at the website.

Website: <http://www.balzac-apesa.org/>

E-mail: sections.internationales@voila.fr

L'Ermitage International School of France

Tel: 01 39 62 04 02

(State-associated, non-denominational school)

Fax: 01 39 62 5402

46, avenue Eglé,
78600 Maisons-Laffitte

L'Ermitage – International School of France is a co-educational day or 5-day boarding school located in the residential park of Maisons-Laffitte. Welcoming pupils from close to 40 nationalities from pre-kindergarten to 12th grade, the school proposes a bilingual program of instruction in French and English within the French national curriculum.

Pre-school pupils can participate in a bilingual class (English teacher in the morning; a French teacher in the afternoon), while primary classes receive 5 hours of English per week with special classes for native English-speakers. In the Middle School (grades 6-9), pupils can study history, science and civilization courses in English as well as a second foreign language. The International Brevet Diploma is taken by certain pupils at the end of 3ème (grade 9). The Upper School (grades 10-12) prepares students for the French Baccalaureate (Economic, Literary and Scientific sections) and the International Option of the French Baccalaureate (American Section). L'Ermitage will be offering the British A-Level diploma from September 2004, enabling pupils to take 4 subjects from a choice of 8 entirely in English, as well as compulsory courses in IT and French Civilisation/European Studies.

Students can choose from a wide variety of outings and cultural and participate in different clubs and athletic teams. Numerous exchanges are also offered (USA, Europe and Asia). Non French-speaking students arriving from abroad can benefit from adaptation classes during their first year of stay in France. The school makes every effort to integrate computer technology into the classroom (wireless, high-speed internet network, an intranet service offering an online information service, report card, register and educational data base, an extensive range of computer facilities including interactive whiteboards) in order to enhance the creativity and innovation of its teachers and students alike. L'Ermitage also benefits from an association with the internationally-renowned Round Square and Global Connections foundations.

Website: (<http://www.ermitage.fr>)

E-mail: ermitage@ermitage.fr

The International Sections of Sèvres (K - 12)

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1, rue Lecocq

Tel: 01 72 77 70 43

92310 Sèvres

Telephone: Admissions 33 (0)1 72 77 70 45; Receptionist: 33 (0)1 72 77 70 43

When school in session, office hours: M – F, 9 AM to 12 PM & 2 to 5 PM

The International Sections of Sèvres (Sections Internationales de Sèvres or “SIS” as the school is more familiarly called) offer a bilingual (English & French or German & French) curriculum. Kindergarten and primary school students attend the SIS for three-hours per week (Wednesday morning class held totally in English or German), as a complement to their usual French public school. Middle school and high school students (“collège” and “lycée” in the French system) attend the SIS full time, with some subjects taught in French and others in English. There are several locations in Sèvres and Chaville, close to public transport. The Anglophone Section has about 750 students, from 5 to 18 years of age.

Education in English is used as a focal point for a curriculum and environment that respects and nurtures cultural diversity. More than 20 nationalities are represented in the student body, and teachers come from a range of English speaking countries. Some 40% of the students are from bicultural households, and 20% are issue of totally non-French households. The remaining 40% are mostly French citizens who have formerly attended school in an English speaking country, often while their parents were expatriated for their work. The Anglophone Section offers an academically rigorous bilingual program which aims to promote and maintain native-speaker fluency in both English and French. The curriculum fully meets the requirements of the French public school system, but also includes 3 to 8 hours of English language and literature per week. Older students also have 2 to 6 hours per week of history and geography in English. Each year, a school play is produced (Mark Twain’s “Huck Finn” in 2006) and performed in English, with wide participation of students and teachers and very high attendance by parents and the community. Most SIS Anglophone section students take the International Option of the French Baccalaureate (the “OIB” or Option International du Baccalauréat). Results are in general excellent. From 2004 to 2006, 98-99% of SIS students taking the OIB passed it, with 40% of them receiving honorable mention (“mentions bien ou très bien”). More than half of SIS graduates enter

preparatory programs for the top French universities (“les classes préparatoires”), while 25% leave France to attend a foreign university. Compared to many international schools in Paris, the tuition for the SIS remains modest. Additional information on the school, students, teachers, and graduates, can be found at the website.

Métro: Pont de Sèvres and tramway: Musée de Sèvres

Website: <http://www.sis-sevres.net> / E-mail: sis@sis-sevres.net

Lycée International (American Section)

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BP 5230

78100 St. Germain en Laye

Tel: 01 34 51 74 85

Fax: 01 30 87 00 49

The American Section is one of 12 national sections, located on three campuses. The Section currently enrolls just under 700 students from age 4 – 18. Forty nationalities are represented: 60% of the American Section students hold American citizenship and most of the remaining 40% are French citizens who have spent considerable time in the U.S., or have had American schooling.

All students follow the French national curriculum in addition to receiving 6-8 hours of American instruction per week; 4-6 hours of English language and literature and 2 hours of History. The American Section curriculum is an intensive language arts and social studies program designed to promote and maintain native-speaker fluency. All of the section’s instruction is given by American or Canadian teachers using American textbooks and teaching methods. American Section students present the O.I.B. – the International Option of the French Baccalaureate at the end of their final year. The Lycée International’s Français Spécial (FS) program provides an exceptional opportunity for non-French speakers to obtain a good foundation of written and spoken French in an intensive year-long program. After one year, FS students mainstream into the regular French classes. Application files are accepted starting in November for the following school year.

Website – www.lycee-intl-american.org / E-mail – american.lycee.intl@wanadoo.fr

Association Des Parents Anglophones De La Region De Chantilly

Tel: 03 44 57 49 10

(A.P.A.R.C.)

Anglophone Parents’ Association of the Region of Chantilly
33, Grande Rue, 60300 AVILLY SAINT-LEONARD

APARC provides English classes for the children of the large English-speaking community near Chantilly. Kindergarten and Primary classes are on Wednesday mornings (three hours). Secondary classes (sixth to tenth grades) are integrated into the timetable of the public Collège and Lycée in Chantilly (the four hours of English tuition are paid for; APARC has an agreement with the French Ministry of Education). In tenth grade the pupils take the International GCSE in English language and literature, and most go on to take the French *baccalauréat*. Their experience in APARC helps them to be bilingual, and the IGCSE is an excellent reference for American and British

universities and the French Grandes Ecoles. APARC was founded in 1981, the student body is international and the teachers are all highly qualified, with British, American or Irish teaching diplomas. Website information: <http://www.chantillyexpat.com/Reviews.html> / E-mail: info@apararc.com

The Bilingual Montessori School

65, quai d'Orsay
75007 Paris

Tel: 01 45 55 13 27

Tel: 01 45 51 65 87

Fax: 01 45 51 25 12

The Bilingual Montessori School of Paris was founded twenty years ago as an International, non-profit, A.M.I. accredited school for children between the ages of two (2) and six (6) years old. The school offers an unparalleled opportunity for a child to study in a stimulating, warm, happy atmosphere where he/she can work and develop at his/her own pace. The children learn to love and respect their environment. It is known as "the development of the Whole Child", where the refinement of the senses is made through music, language, mathematics, geography, science, practical life, history, art, sensorial activities.

Website: <http://www.montessori-Paris.com>

The Bilingual Montessori School

23, avenue George V
75008 Paris

Tel: 01 45 55 13 27

The Bilingual Montessori School

53, rue Erlanger
75016 Paris

Tel: 01 45 55 13 27

Ecole Active Bilingue Jeannine Manuel Paris

Day School: Pre-K – 12th grade
70, rue du Théâtre
75015 Paris

Tel: 01 44 37 00 80

Fax: 01 45 79 06 66

Ecole Active Bilingue Jeannine Manuel Lille

Day and Boarding School: K – 12th grade
418, bis rue Albert Bailly
59700 Marcq en Baroeul

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Website: <http://www.eabjm.org>

Admissions Paris: admissions@eabjm.net - Admissions Lille: s.deblandere@eabjm.net

EABJM is a non-profit independent pre-K - 12 coeducational school founded in 1954 by Jeannine Manuel with the mission to develop international understanding through bilingual (French/English) education. Fifty years after it began with twelve students, EABJM has become the largest non-denominational independent school in France, with three thousand students representing sixty-six nationalities and every major cultural and religious tradition. One third of our students are French, one third are bi-nationals, and one third have only non-French parents. Each year, EABJM welcomes more than 100 new non-French speaking students who enrol in 'adaptation classes' where they follow a French immersion programme.

The lower school and the middle school follow the national curriculum with several notable exemptions:

- English is taught every day and, in middle school, the sciences, History (except French history), and Geography are taught in English.
- The curriculum is enriched at all levels, not only with a more advanced English language and literature curriculum, but also, for example, with Chinese language instruction (compulsory in grades 3-4-5).
- An integrated science program in lower school (using FOSS and “La Main à La Pâte” science modules), and Scientific Inquiry Excursions in middle school.

In the upper school, 10th graders continue to follow the national curriculum. In their junior year, students choose between the standard French Baccalaureate, the French OIB (International Option within the French Baccalaureate) and the International Baccalaureate programme.

The school’s dedication to academic excellence matches its commitment to cultural diversity. EABJM is one of the top schools in France as attested by its results at the French Baccalaureate in 2007: 100 percent success, including 97 percent with honors, compared to an average national success rate of 84 percent and an honors rate of 33 percent.

Out of a graduating class of 230 students in 2007, 62 took the IB, 60 opted for the French OIB, and the balance chose the standard French Baccalaureate. Over the past three years, 14 percent of our students have gone to US colleges or universities, 33 percent chose the UK or Canada, 50 percent entered the French higher education system, and the remaining three percent pursued their higher education all over the world.

Ecole Active Bilingue Jeannine Manuel

Tel: 01 44 37 00 76

Écoles Primaires (Primary School)

Bureau des Admissions (Admissions Office)

15, rue Edgar Faure, 75015 Paris

141, avenue de Suffren, 75007 Paris

Website: <http://www.eabjm.com> / E-mail: bureaudesadmissions@eabjm.com

Ecole Active Bilingue Jeannine Manuel

Tel: 03 20 35 90 50

Ecole Primaire, collège, lycée et internat
Primary, Junior and Senior High School, Boarding School
418, bis rue Albert Bailly
59700 Marcq en Baroeul

Eurecole (Trilingual School)

Tel: 01 40 70 12 81

5, rue de Lubeck
75116 Paris

Fax: 01 40 70 91 07

Eurecole, a trilingual European School, opened its doors in September 1989 in Paris, in the 16th district of Paris. Claude Duval, the founder and principal of the group EURECOLE, has chosen a team of teachers from different European countries to formulate a new pedagogical concept, founded on a balance between sport, art and study associated with the initiation of languages. The daily time table includes, 2 hours of sports in English, 2 hours of arts in German, 2 hours of study in French, for all the classes from the nursery (starting at 3 years) to the seventh grade (9-10 years). The education team at Eurecole offers the possibility of a multilingual and cultural exchange, in a specially adapted modern building, housing a library, gymnasium, video and computer rooms, lunch room. Website: <http://www.eurecole.com> / E-mail: direction@eurecole.com

Institut De La Tour

Tel: 01 45 04 73 35

86, rue de la Tour
75116 Paris

Fax: 01 45 04 27 98

Website: <http://www.institutdelatour.com>

Catholic high school. Anglophone section with traditional French education.

La Petite Ecole Bilingue

Tel: 01 43 80 25 34

(British, Bilingual Nursery)
9, rue Verniquet
75017 Paris

La Petite Ecole Bilingue (Bilingual, Preschool and Primary)

Tel: 01 43 80 25 34

8, place de la porte Champeret
75017 Paris

Fax: 01 43 80 37 40

Teaching is in English and French at different times of the day, preparing the children for a successful education whether in France or elsewhere in the world. The school bases its teaching on learning the two languages at the age when children are most receptive. The teachers use the method of total immersion in the language to achieve their objectives. Small classes allow the teacher optimal

interaction with each child. The use of art, theatre, dance, songs and computers allow the children to learn through a variety of stimulating experiences.

Website: <http://www.stewartintschool.com> / E-mail: contact@stewartintschool.com

The Lennen Bilingual School

Tel: 01 47 05 66 55

65, quai d'Orsay

75007 Paris

From to 2 to 8 years-old

Founded in 1960 as a private kindergarten, the school has continued to fill a growing need for bilingual education. The children learn and develop in a warm family atmosphere where they are secure and happy. Bilingual learning is emphasized and many varied activities are offered - art, music, gymnastics. In addition there are swimming, trips, etc. as well as early academic learning. The teachers are fully qualified with experience in bilingual and international education. There is a French and English speaking teacher in each pre-school class. A 3-year bilingual primary section has been added, covering the first 3 grades in English and French. The children are prepared to enter French or American schools. All the children are given an opportunity to build a strong foundation in both languages. The school accepts children whenever there is space available and offers a summer schools as well as vacation programs.

Section Internationale Anglophone de Buc

[Collège Martin Luther King](#)

[Lycée Franco-Allemand](#)

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The Section Internationale Anglophone de Buc (SIAB) is a free bilingual school program based in Buc, a small town located on the Saclay Plateau near Versailles in the Yvelines department. The program caters for children from late primary level (4th/5th grade/CM1&CM2) to middle school [Collège Martin Luther King](#) and runs through to the end of high school (Terminale) [Lycée Franco-Allemand](#), where students take the "Option Internationale du Baccalauréat" (OIB).

The program is aimed at English/French bilingual children of many different nationalities and currently has about 150 students in total. The children are taught English and History by native English speakers but otherwise they are educated within the French State education system alongside Francophone children. The program includes a wide range of extracurricular activities such an English drama club, student exchanges and trips abroad.

Entrance tests take place in March (Lycée), April (Collège) and May (Primary).

Visit the PSAB – Parents de la Section Anglophone de Buc website - [BucAbout](#) (see below).

Parents de la Section Anglophone de Buc

Tel: 09 54 47 11 18

Parents de la Section Anglophone de Buc was created to support the development of the “Section Internationale Anglophone de Buc” (SIAB), part of the *Collège Martin Luther King* in Buc (middle school) and extended to the *Lycée Franco-Allemand* (high school) in 2005. Since 2008 the section has also welcomed children at CM1/CM2 level (elementary school) who attend the *Louis Bleriot* primary school at Buc and *Les 40 Arpents* primary school at Voisins-le-Btx.

Contact: Gerdi Serrer Matillat

E-mail: gerdi.serrer@free.fr / Website: www.psab.fr

United Nations Nursery School

Tel: 01 45 27 20 24

40, rue Pierre Guerin

75016 Paris

Ages: 2 1/2-6 years

The private Nursery school was founded in 1951 for the International population of Paris. The program is bilingual, there are pre-school activities (pre-reading writing, math) as well as music, art-craft, and games in our private garden. There are 14 children per class, any child between the ages of 2 1/2, and 6 may apply.

Website: <http://www.unns.net/>

E-mail: unns@noos.fr

Vive L'enfance (International School – K-12)

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Adien d'Esclaibes, headmaster

Fax: 01 30 56 58 25

29, rue de Noisy, 78870, Bailly (nursery)

5, rue de Chaponval, 78870, Bailly (primary – secondary)

Founded by Sylvie d'Esclaibes in 1992, Vive l'Enfance is the largest Montessori school in France. It is a private school, pre-kindergarten through grade 12 that offers an international educational program to students of all nationalities. It is located 20 km to the west from Paris, in a leafy area close to Versailles, near the head offices of many multi-national companies and with quick access to Paris.

The Lower school (nursery, primary-5) offers a bilingual Montessori education with an English teacher in the morning and a French teacher in the afternoon. All teachers are Montessori trained. The classes are small and we use a style of teaching where each child is in control of his own learning process.

The Middle and Upper schools propose a bilingual program of instruction in French and English within the French national curriculum. Students can study history, language and literature in English (six to eight hours a week by teachers whose mother tongue is English), as well as other languages (Spanish and Chinese).

The school makes every effort to integrate new students and every year welcomes children who speak neither English nor French:

- tailor-made (even one-to-one) classes for non-French speaking students;

- enables students to master French (or English) very quickly, without ever experiencing a feeling of failure;
- many sports and a range of artistic activities;
- highly qualified teachers always ready to listen to the students.

Parents are encouraged to take part in school life.

Exams offered: SAT 1 & 2; I.G.C.S.E (history, language, literature, French); Baccalauréat S and ES.

International recognition: the school is an exam center for the London Examinations Board (Edexcel) and for the Cambridge University Local Examinations Syndicate.

Website: <http://www.vivelenfance.com>

E-mail: mail@vivelenfance.com

Kindergarten and Nursery Schools

First Steps

Tel: 01 42 19 02 14

51, avenue Georges Mandel

75016 Paris

At *First Steps* children learn through play in an environment where they are free to experiment and explore at their own pace. The teachers strive to be as flexible as possible to meet the needs of each individual child. This English pre-school welcomes children of all nationalities from two to five years of age. The school premises are located on the rue Emile Duclaux in the 15th arrondissement.

Website: <http://www.firststepsparis.com/> / E-mail: info@firststepsparis.com

Forest International School Tel / Fax: 01.39.16.87.35

28, rue du Tour d'Echelle

78750 Mareil-Marly

(From 2 to 6 years-old)

Located in the Western suburbs of Paris, bordering the forest of Marly, Forest International School was opened in September 2004 with the objective of providing a school with a high standard of education, encompassing a well-rounded curriculum that addresses the child's academic, physical, creative, social and emotional needs. Following the Montessori approach to education, the school functions on the premise that a child learns best in a setting where his/her individual development is respected. At Forest International School, we aim to provide an environment in which young children can fully build upon their natural love of learning and develop their sense of self-confidence as a foundation for the future. In a classroom that encourages creativity, self-direction and decision-making from an early age, the child learns to identify his/her own strengths and talents. He/she also becomes skilled at working independently and in groups, gaining respect and appreciation for others. We seek to provide a child-centered education in which each child's individual needs and potential are evaluated, and personalized

attention is directed toward meeting these needs. We work in close partnership with the parents, particularly with the Parents' Association.

Website: www.forest-international-school.com

E-mail: infos@forest-international-school.com

Le Petit Cours

Tel: 01 46 06 80 33

International Bilingual Private Secular School

Preschool & Primary

104, rue Ordener, 75018 Paris

Created in 1887, LE PETIT COURS is an International Bilingual Private Secular School. It offers an English/French bilingual preschool and primary education. Accommodating numerous native English speakers, the school accepts children of all nationalities, from 2 years and 3 months upwards.

English is used for 50% of the total school time, including diverse subjects and activities by English Mother Tongue teachers. Even the canteen is bilingual. In preschool classes: the morning is in English and the afternoon in French. All subjects are covered in both French and English.

In primary classes:

- The morning is in French. The French language (spoken, read and written), mathematics, poetry and singing are taught.
- The afternoon is in English. The English language (spoken, read and written) is taught. The general knowledge topics (history, civic instruction, geography, science, hygiene, ecology, computer training), art (painting and drawing, poetry and music) and sport (stadium, gymnasium, swimming pool) are also taught in English.

Le Petit Cours adopts:

- an active education by means of play and pleasure, motivates the child while preserving his or her own nature and supports the blossoming of the child's own personality, as well as the emergence of autonomy. This is not incompatible with the development of the sense of effort, work well done and the acquisition of fundamental knowledge tools.
- an individualised education, which makes it possible to manage the rate of progress, not by age, but by each child's individual rhythm. Thus, the child learns to read as soon as he or she is mature enough and expresses the desire.

The small number of children in the school and classes enables Le Petit Cours to be a community with life rules but in a warm, calm and relaxed family atmosphere. "SCHOOL SWEET SCHOOL" is the motto of a happy little school, which has as its primary objective the individual success of each of its pupils by offering them the opportunity to hold their future in their own hands.

Website: <http://www.lepetitcours.com/> / E-mail: contact@lepetitcours.com

Les Petits Dragons

Saint Georges Church
7, rue Augustus Vacquerie
75016 Paris

Tel: 01 42 28 56 17

Les Petits Dragons

17, rue Bayard
75008 Paris

Tel: 01 42 28 56 17

For information on schools located in other regions of France see:

<http://france.usembassy.gov/consulara.html>

See universities, technical schools, French language schools, sources of information and explanation of French educational system on following pages:

Universities

The American University

(Undergraduate & Graduate admissions)

6, rue du Colonel Combes

75007 Paris

Tel: 01 40 62 07 20

Fax: 01 47 05 34 32

Website: <http://www.aup.edu>

E-mail: admissions@aup.edu

Tel: 01 40 62 07 20

Fax: 01 47 05 34 32

American Graduate School in Paris

101, boulevard Raspail

75006 Paris

The American Graduate School in Paris (AGS) offers higher education programs based on the U.S. system of education and taught in English, in Paris. AGS branches out into a School of International Relations and Diplomacy and a School of Business and Economics. Programs include U.S.-accredited Masters, a U.S.-accredited MBA, a Ph.D., certificates and other part-time options, and Study Abroad in France for both graduates and undergraduates.

Website: <http://www.ags.edu> / E-mail: info@ags.edu

Tel: 01 47 20 00 94

Fax: 01 47 20 81 89

Boston University - Paris internship program

3, bis rue Jean Pierre-Bloch

75015 Paris

Website: <http://www.bu.edu/abroad>

E-mail: bostonuniversity@wanadoo.fr

Tel: 01 45 66 59 49

Fax: 01 45 66 64 68

Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique

Parc de la Villette

209 avenue Jean-Jaurès

75019 Paris

Tel: 01 40 40 45 45

Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs

31 rue d'Ulm

75006 Paris

Tel: 01 42 34 97 00

Fax: 01 42 34 97 85

L'école Du Louvre

Palais du Louvre
Porte Jaujard
Place du Carrousel
75001 Paris

Website: <http://www.ecoledulouvre.fr>

Tel: 01 55 35 18 00

Tel: 01 55 35 18 18

New York University

56, rue de Passy
75016 Paris

Master of Arts in French language and civilization. Master of Arts in French Literature, Junior Year Abroad Program.

Website: <http://www.nyu.edu/fas/program/nyuinparis/index.html>

E-mail: nyu-in-france@nyu.edu

Tel: 01 53 92 50 80

Fax: 01 53 92 50 81

Schiller International University

32, Boulevard de Vaugirard
75015 Paris

Website: <http://www.Paris-schiller.com>

E-mail: sakiki@schillerParis.com

Tel: 01 45 38 56 01

Fax: 01 45 38 54 30

Technical Schools**AIM**

31 quai de Grenelle
75015 Paris

Higher education courses with curriculum for an Anglo-American Bachelor and Master of Science. Programs include courses on business management of international hotel and motels, in accordance with the international Hotel and Motel Association.

Website: [http://www.aim-academie.fr /](http://www.aim-academie.fr/)

E-mail: mail@aim-academie.fr

Tel: 01 45 75 65 75

Fax: 01 40 59 03 02

Paris American Academy

277 rue St Jacques
75005 Paris

Fashion Interior Design Fine Art

Website: <http://www.Parisamericanacademy.fr>

E-mail: Parisamericanacademy@wanadoo.fr

Tel: 01 44 41 99 20

Fax: 01 44 41 99 29

French Educational System (U.S. Grade and French equivalents on next page)

2 to 6 years: *Maternal* or Preschool education: this instruction which is not compulsory is offered in the *Ecoles Maternelles* and the *Classes Infantines* attached to primary schools.

6-10 years: Elementary Education: Instruction on this level is the same for all children in all elementary schools. Elementary education includes three courses - the preparatory (6 years old), the elementary course (7 to 8 years old) and the intermediate course (9 to 10 years old).

11 to 14 years: *Premier Cycle*- First Cycle: The *Premier Cycle*, which covers four years (Classes de 6e, 5e, 4e et 3e) and which admits students who have been promoted from the *cycle élémentaire* (elementary school), at the level of the *classe de 6e*. For the duration of the premier cycle, the teachers meet periodically in a class council under the direction of the homeroom teacher for the purpose of determining pupil aptitudes or interests to guide the pupils in the type of education best suited to them. The guidance council examines the proposals offered by the class councils and gives parents their considered opinions. At the end of the *Classe de 5e* and at the end of the *Classe de 3e*, if the parents follow the advice of the guidance council, the student automatically enters the recommended section of education. If the parents feel that their child should pursue one of the sections of education that was not recommended by the council, the child must take an entrance examination.

15 to 17 years: Second Cycle Education: Following first cycle education, pupils are guided according to their aptitudes, interests, and their previous work toward one of the following branches of study or *sections*: (L) literature and the humanities; (ES) Economics and Social Sciences, (S) science and mathematics or toward specialization in technology. (STT, STI). They will continue their studies in universities based on the work that has been accomplished over these two extremely important years.

18 years and older: Higher Education: Higher Education is offered in private institutions as well as in the public establishments. The public institutions include: a) the *Facultés* grouped in Universities, which are authorized to grant State degrees; b) the University Institutes of Technology are designed to train future high-ranking administrators and technicians in the industry; c) the great scientific and literary institutions and research and study institutions.

Registration

Public School Registration: Contact the Service des Ecoles at the City Hall (mairie) or the school directly. When you apply to a school you must bring along your passport, your child's birth certificate, a recent electricity bill (EDF/GDF), and proof of your child's immunizations. Applications should be made in the Spring before the Fall Term. Private schools are either subsidized by the government or not. Sponsored schools therefore have much lower tuition fees than non-sponsored ones. You should apply as soon as possible.

U.S. Grade	French Equivalents	
Prior to 6 years	<i>Ecole Maternelle</i>	Physical & sensory exercises & exercises in language and observation;
Elementary School from 6 to 10		
1st Grade	Preparatory (CP)	Reading, writing, spelling, reasoning;
2nd Grade	Elementary I (CE1)	Study of history, geography, science by observation, grammar;
3rd Grade	Elementary II (CE2)	Continuation of above.
4th Grade	Intermediate I (CM1)	“
5th Grade	Intermediate II (CM2)	“
First cycle	<i>Collège</i>	
6th Grade: 1st cycle	“6ème” (<i>Collège</i>)	Study of first foreign living language and math history, geography, French science, technology, art, music, P.E.;
7th Grade	"5ème"	Continuation of above plus study of Latin optional;
8th Grade	"4ème"	Continuation of above and introduction to a 2nd living foreign language;
9th Grade	"3ème"	Revision and advanced studies of subjects learned previously; decision by teachers and students council and student’s parents to be promoted to the 10 th grade <i>Lycée</i> .
Secondary: 2nd Cycle	<i>Lycée</i>	
10th Grade	<i>Seconde</i>	Decisive year due to orientation toward the different branches or <i>sections</i> to be taught in 11 th and 12 th grades <i>première</i> and <i>terminale</i> : this choice will lead to similar studies at the university level. (L) philosophy, literature and the humanities; (S) science and mathematics; (ES) economics and social sciences and other options in technology (STT, STI). Introduction to a 3rd foreign living language optional; Greek optional
11th Grade	<i>Première</i>	different areas of study are developed according to the branch chosen in 10 th grade;
12th Grade	<i>Classe Terminale</i>	Completion of studies conducted in 11 th grade; introduction to philosophy is mandatory for all students to pass this grade successfully.

French Language Schools

Alliance Française

101, blvd Raspail
75006 Paris

Tel: 01 45 44 38 28

Berlitz France

267, blvd Pereire
75017 Paris

Tel: 01 45 72 34 25

British European Center

5, rue Richpanse
75008 Paris

Tel: 01 42 60 35 57

Centre Culturel International

5, rue de Garches
92210 St Cloud

Tel: 01 46 02 64 33

Centre Georges Pompidou

19, rue Beaubourg
75004 Paris

Bibliothèque publique d'information – Public Information Library

Tel: 01 44 78 12 33

Centre Tomatis

6, rue Saint Just
51100 Reims

Website: <http://www.tomatisreims.com>

E-mail: centre.tomatis@wanadoo.fr

Also offers housing with French families.

Tel: 03 26 88 68 91

Fax: 03 26 88 71 54

Cours de la Langue et de la Civilisation Française de

La Sorbonne

47, rue des Ecoles
75005 Paris

Tel: 01 40 46 22 11

Ecole Internationale de Français et de Formation en Langues (EIFFEL)

3, rue Crocé-Spinelli
75014 Paris

Website: <http://www.ecole-eiffel.fr> / E-mail: eiffel@club-internet.fr

Tel: 01 43 20 37 41

Fax: 01 43 20 4913

Ecole Nickerson 77, rue de la Tremoille 75008 Paris	Tel: 01 47 23 36 03
Eurocentres 13, passage Dauphine 75006 Paris	Tel: 01 40 46 72 00
Institut Catholique 21, rue D'Assas 75006 Paris	Tel: 01 44 39 52 00
Institut Parisien de Langues 87 blvd de Grenelle 75015 Paris	Tel: 01 40 56 09 53
Languages Plus Services 7, quai de Grenelle 75015 Paris	Tel: 01 40 59 30 82
Lingua Club 7 bis, rue Decres 75014 Paris	Tel: 01 45 39 28 28
OISE Paris - Intensive Language Schools 71 bis, rue de Vaugirard F-75006 Paris E-mail: paris@oise.com Website: http://www.oise.com/paris	Tel: 01 42 22 01 98
Paris Langues 30, rue Cabanis 75014 Paris	Tel: 01 45 65 05 28
Quai d'Orsay Language Center 67, quai d'Orsay 75007 Paris	Tel: 01 44 11 10 50
TRANSFER 20, rue Godot Mauroy 75009 Paris	Tel: 01 42 66 14 11

Sources of Information

Academic Year Abroad

Reid Hall
4, rue de Chevreuse
75006 Paris

Tel: 01 44 41 74 74
Tel: 01 43 20 33 07
Fax: 01 43 26 97 45

Founded and incorporated in the State of New York in 1961, this organization specializes in planning an academic year abroad for students who are in college or about to enter college. For a fee to cover costs, the organization makes all arrangements for tuition, board and lodging.

Centre D'information Et De Documentation Jeunesse (CIDJ)

101, quai Branly
75740 Paris

Tel: 0825 090 630
Fax: 01 40 65 02 61

This national association gives miscellaneous information for young people on major subjects such as education, teaching, professional training, employment, sports, entertainment, exchange programs etc. They also have a list of French language courses.

Centre National Des Oeuvres Universitaires Advising Center

69, quai d'Orsay
75007 Paris
The Service d'Accueil aux Etudiants Etrangers

Tel: 01 47 05 31 10

Franco-American Commission for Educational Exchange

9, rue Chardin, 75016 Paris

Tel: 01 44 14 53 60

Open Monday-Friday from 9:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. The commission administers the Fulbright program in France. The Educational Advising Center is open to the public weekdays except for Tuesday from 2 to 4:30 p.m. The Educational Advisors are available on Monday afternoons and Thursday and Friday mornings by appointment only. Counseling and documentation concerning French and American universities, information on SAT college entrance examinations is provided. **(Note: They do not certify translations of transcripts.)** Closed in August and on all legal French holidays.

Educational Advising Center: tel. 0892 680 747

Website: <http://www.fulbright-france.org/>

E-mail: cfa@fulbright-france.org

PARENTHESE

Tel: 01 43 36 37 07

(Official partner of the CIEE (Council on International Educational Exchange)
in France

Fax: 01 43 36 54 48

39, rue de l'Arbalète
75005 Paris

Offering study abroad, student work exchanges, voluntary service, and student travel, CIEE is a non-profit association with over 300 universities, colleges and other institutions as members. Programs in France include international study programs for students 18 years and older; work exchange programs for students (summer jobs in the US and all year round in Canada and France, internship opportunities in Europe and the US); TOEIC, standard in evaluating levels of English proficiency for professional purposes.

Website: <http://www.parenthese-paris.com/>E-mail: contact@parenthese-paris.com**Organisation de Tourisme Universitaire**

Tel: 01 43 29 12 88

39, avenue Georges Bernanos, Paris 75005

This is a non-profit organization established to organize French student travel in France and abroad, and to help foreign students and professors during their stay in France. They offer group tours, accommodations in Paris and information on summer courses, summer camps and work camps.

Reid Hall

Tel: 01 43 20 33 07

4, rue de Chevreuse
75006 Paris

Tel: 01 44 41 74 74

Fax: 01 43 26 97 45

A division of Columbia University, Reid Hall is a lovely 18th-century house whose mission it is to foster Franco-American exchanges on the university level. Professors, students and educational groups become members of Reid Hall, which offers them classroom space, office space and access to the common rooms and gardens. Many overseas undergraduates and graduate programs are based at Reid Hall, including Columbia University Programs in Paris.

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