KBS 2 Admission policy

KBS2 Mission Statement:

Kuwait Bilingual School is a Pre-K to 12 English/Arabic educational institution founded

to serve the Al-Jahra community. Our mission is to develop intellectually mature and

responsible learners who contribute positively to the community by empowering them

to meet the demands of a rapidly changing and morally complex world. By providing.

challenging educational experiences based on the world recognized IB curriculum.

frameworks, learners will acquire the skills, knowledge, and attitudes needed to develop

their full potential.

What does it mean to belong to the KBS family?

Being part of the KBS family signifies the ability to foster a more harmonious world through mutual understanding and respect among diverse cultures. It embodies the essence of nurturing citizens equipped with critical thinking and effective communication skills, all while emphasizing the importance of teamwork within ethical boundaries that uplift community standards.

Diversity and Inclusion Statement:

At KBS, we celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all students. We believe that every student brings a unique perspective and value to our school community.

What is IB?

The International Baccalaureate (IB) stands as one of the globally recognized educational systems, serving as an advisory body to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Its primary mission revolves around delivering top-notch education, ensuring the emergence of well-informed students with unique thought processes, and innovation capabilities while staying true to their core principles and values.

School Enrolment Mechanism

According to the Ministry of Education, the minimum age at the school levels is as follows:

2.5	Pre-K
3.5	Kindergarten 1
4.5	Kindergarten 2
5.5	Grade 1
6.5	Grade 2
7.5	Grade 3
8.5	Grade 4
9.5	Grade 5
10.5	Grade 6
11.5	Grade 7

12.5	Grade 8
13.5	Grade 9
14.5	Grade 10
15.5	Grade 11
16.5	Grade 12

Registration Steps:

1. **Documentation:**

   - Complete the registration form, ensuring it's signed by the parent/guardian.

   - Required documents include:

     - Birth certificate and vaccination records.

     - Two passport-sized photographs.

     - Copies of the student's, mother's, and father's civil ID.

     - Copy of the father's nationality (for Kuwaitis).

     - Copies of the father's and student's passports and a valid residence for non-Kuwaitis.

     - Previous year's report card.

     - Any judicial decisions related to the student (e.g., guardianship of education or mother's custody).

2. **Admission Assessments:**

   - Personal interviews and assessments are used to gauge the student's mental well-being and interaction capabilities. It's imperative for the student to be independent during the interview, without parental interference.

   - Academic evaluation tests in English, Arabic, and Mathematics, tailored to the grade the student is applying for. A test fee of 50 dinars, which is non-refundable, applies.

   - Parents/guardians may not interfere or guide the student during the assessment or interview. Any form of mediation may result in the student's rejection and will result in a required retest.

Requirements for Admission to the IB Diploma Program (IB DP) at KBS2:

External Admission:

Academic Excellence: Prospective students from other schools should have a strong academic record, particularly in subjects relevant to their intended IB DP courses.

Recommendation Letters: At least two recommendation letters from previous school teachers or administrators highlighting the student's capabilities and suitability for the IB DP.

Personal Statement: A written essay by the student explaining their interest in the IB DP and their future aspirations.

Interview: A personal interview to be conducted to assess the student's motivation, commitment, and readiness for the rigorous IB DP.

Language Proficiency: A proficiency test is required to ensure they can cope with the curriculum.

Note: KBS does not typically accept transfers directly into grade 12 for the IB DP except under special circumstances. Applicants seeking admission to grade 12 should contact the admissions office for further details on these special circumstances.

Internal Admission:

Academic Excellence: Current KBS students should have a strong academic record, particularly in subjects relevant to their intended IB DP courses.

Recommendation Letters: At least one recommendation letter from a KBS teacher or administrator highlighting the student's capabilities and suitability for the IB DP.

Personal Statement: A written essay by the student explaining their interest in the IB DP and their future aspirations.

Interview: A personal interview to be conducted to assess the student's motivation, commitment, and readiness for the rigorous IB DP.

3- Post-Assessment Results:

- Successful candidates will be required to:
    - Sign a Registration Contract.
    - Pay the registration fees and the first tuition installment within a fortnight from the result announcement date.
    - Create a medical file through the School Health Department.
    - Obtain the admission paper (Acceptance Notice) to facilitate transfer procedures from the previous school.

Waitlist Procedures:

In instances where applications exceed available spots, students may be placed on a waitlist. The criteria for waitlisting are based on a combination of academic performance, extracurricular achievements, and date of application. Students will be notified promptly if a spot becomes available.

Appeals Process:

We understand the importance of transparency and fairness in our admissions process. Parents or guardians who wish to appeal an admission decision can submit a formal appeal, detailing their grounds for appeal, to the admissions department. The school commits to reviewing and responding to all appeals within a 30-day period.

Annual Review and Feedback:

Our admission policy undergoes an annual review to ensure its relevance and effectiveness. We welcome feedback from all stakeholders, and a dedicated channel for feedback is available through our school's website.