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## ENROLLMENT

Pre-School	173	97	7:1
Primary School	298	Students	Student
Middle School	332	in the	to
High School	378	Class of	Teacher
<b>TOTAL 1181</b>		2025	Ratio

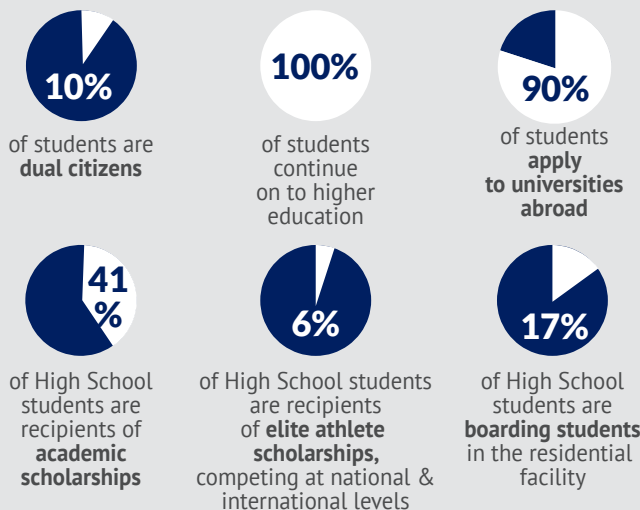


## FACULTY

<b>204</b> Total Teaching Staff	<b>91</b> Leadership & Support Team	<b>145</b> Turkish Nationals	<b>59</b> Foreign Nationals
<b>53%</b> Masters <b>5%</b> Doctorate	<b>15</b> Avg. Years of Experience	<b>5</b> Avg. Years at ENKA	<b>13</b> Nationalities on staff



## STUDENTS



## HOW DOES "LIVING YOUR MISSION" CHANGE A SCHOOL?

When ENKA decided to act upon its stated value of Equality-- *that neither religion, ethnicity, geographical origin, nor financial standing shall preclude a student from enrolling*-- something radical happened. While the school has had a longstanding commitment to provide **financial aid to every enrolled student whose family demonstrates need**, in 2017 the school decided to add academic scholarships to its bursary offerings. Since doing so, **the school's supporting foundation has granted 336 full academic scholarships** to transfer students, who typically rank scholastically in the top 1% of the nation. In combination with the other bursary options, this means that **currently 41% of ENKA's high school is on full scholarship**. To make opportunity more accessible to more students, three years ago (despite the pandemic), ENKA opened its residential boarding facilities, which now houses **63 academic scholarship students from 11 different provinces**, which is 17% of the high school student body. The rigor of our academics, the organic challenge spurred by a growing number of academic scholarship students, and the diversity engendered by students from different regions has allowed the school to truly live its mission and witness the edifying results.



## THE SCHOOL

ENKA is a private, non-profit Pre-K-12 co-educational school in Istanbul, Türkiye. Founded in 1996 as a center of educational excellence, ENKA aims to provide an inspirational model for schools nationally and internationally.

Our academic programs foster global awareness and incorporate academic excellence. ENKA offers multiple rigorous curricula which promote a globally-minded student population who learn leadership and responsibility.

ENKA is fully authorized K-12 to offer all three IB programs: **PYP, MYP, and DP**. Please note that **ENKA Schools will no longer offer IBDP after this year**. Additionally, ENKA offers a range of **AP courses** as well as university preparation courses.

Our programs are internationally accredited, with the most recent **CIS, NEASC, and IB** evaluation conducted in 2023. ENKA is a **certified Eco-School**. ENKA is currently pursuing **ISO 9001: 2015 certification** and will soon be the **first Turkish school internationally accredited as an Outdoor Learning Provider**.

## THE CAMPUS

The campus, which now includes an expanding residential program, is situated on the European side of Istanbul in the heart of the business center, nestled in 16 wooded acres within the ENKA Sports complex.

The range of facilities demonstrates the importance ENKA places on contemporary education, sports, and the arts. Facilities include three full science labs, a design tech lab, a robotics lab, three libraries totaling 40,000 volumes, computer labs, an Idea Lab, a multimedia room, a student kitchen, and contemporary, purpose-built classrooms. In addition, the school has an amphitheater, a music hall, an art gallery, two indoor pools, an outdoor olympic-sized pool, twelve tennis courts, a full gymnasium, fitness center, a tartan track and field, and a mindfulness forest where Outdoor Learning and other classes are taught.

The residential facilities currently house 17% of the high school students-- those who have transferred in from other cities around Turkey. This number will continue to grow.

## MISSION & VISION

To lay the intellectual and behavioral foundations that will prepare and motivate students to develop to the full extent of their capacities, and to employ the mental skills and ethical habits that foster freedom of thought and action, thus helping them to be leading citizens of the world.

## VALUES

### EQUALITY

ENKA Schools commits that neither religion, ethnicity, geographical origin, nor financial standing shall preclude a student from enrolling.

### CHALLENGE

ENKA Schools commits to challenge each child to see beyond the ordinary, teaching them that the path to expanding one's potential mentally, physically, and spiritually is through discipline, rigor, and tenacity. We seek to instill in learners the value of intellectual pursuits and the necessity of respectful debate.

### EXCELLENCE

ENKA Schools commits to providing academic rigor in its curriculum, designed to develop each scholar to their fullest academically, socially, and emotionally by exposing them to a wide area of study, encouraging student agency, and guiding them towards in-depth pursuit of their strongest interest.

### COLLABORATION

ENKA Schools aspire to partner with families to prepare each child to be contributing members in their community, responsible and respectful citizens of the world, positive influences, and propellers of their society through their ideas and actions.

# CURRICULUM

## All High School Students

- Meet the requirements for and receive a Turkish High School (Lise) Diploma.
- Study a third language from grades 5-12.
- Receive most of their instruction in English:

**55%** of all courses are taught in English for Grades 9-10

**75%** of all courses are taught in English for Grades 11-12

## Grade 9 & 10 Students

- Follow the Turkish National Curriculum along with IBMYP.
- Take High School Math and Science courses in English.

## Grade 11 Students

Since the 2019-2020 school year, Grade 11 students have been offered the selection of one of the following pathways based on their career targets and academic ability:

### OPTION 1: MEB

- Turkish (Lise) Diploma only

### OPTION 2: MEB + IBDP

- Turkish (Lise) Diploma +


- Full IB Diploma

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### OPTION 3: MEB + AP

- Turkish (Lise) Diploma +

- 1-6 AP courses






ENKA AP Subjects

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics C Mechanics
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Environmental Sci.
- AP Computer Science A

- AP English Lang. & Comp. <sup>(new 2024)</sup>
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Statistics
- AP Psychology
- AP 2-D Art
- AP 3-D Art
- AP World History

**CLASS OF 2025**  
breakdown of  
program selection

	MEB IBDP	24	students pursuing MEB + IBDP	29%
	MEB AP	21	students pursuing MEB + AP	22%
	MEB	47	students pursuing Turkish National curriculum (MEB)	51%



ENKA IBDP Subjects

- Group 1**
- Turkish Lit A
  - English Lit & Lang A

- Group 2**
- French B
  - German B
  - Spanish B

- Group 3**
- Economics
  - Psychology
  - Global Politics
  - Digital Society

- Group 4**
- Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Computer Science
  - Physics

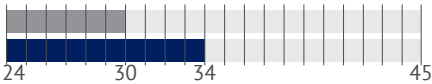
- Group 5**
- Mathematics Analysis & Approaches

- Group 6**
- Film
  - Visual Arts
  - Music

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### IBDP Results 2024



World Average 30  
ENKA Schools Average 34



97%  
Pass Rate

42  
Top Score

Top Score

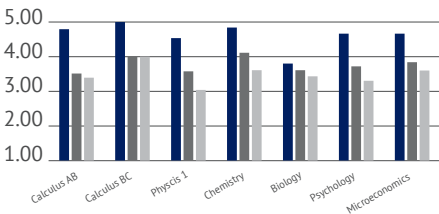
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Number of subjects in which ENKA students surpassed the world average

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### AP Results 2024



ENKA Schools Average  
Turkish Average  
World Average



### Class of 2025 Results



ERW  
Mean  
Average  
**677**



Math  
Mean  
Average  
**731**



25  
Test takers,  
of whom  
**99.9%**  
were non-native  
English  
speakers

## Assessment & Grading

All grades in Turkish High Schools are recorded on the Turkish Ministry of Education's 100 point scale. ENKA uses this scale. However, it should be noted that grading is very competitive. Thus, we encourage you to refer to our adjacent chart showing the individual school distribution of grades at ENKA.

**ENKA does not rank students.** Students are given grades each semester and the final course grade is an average of the two semesters.

**IBDP and AP class grades are unweighted** and are reported on the same 100% Turkish scale. An average of 85% is required to earn high honors. An average of 70% is required to earn academic honors. A passing grade is 50% in Grade 12.

## Grading Scale & Distribution of Class of 2025's Cumulative Averages from Grades 9 through 11

	Turkish 100 Point Scale	# of Students	% of Students
HIGH HONORS	95.00 - 100	10	10%
	90.00 - 94.99	23	25%
	85.00 - 89.99	18	19%
HONORS	80.00 - 84.99	11	11%
	75.00 - 79.99	15	16%
	70.00 - 74.99	13	14%
	65.00 - 69.99	3	3%
	60.00 - 64.99	0	
	55.00 - 59.99	0	
	50.00 - 54.99	0	

## 2024 Academic Distinctions

### 10 Students currently on Turkish National Academic Teams:

- 4 Chess
- 5 Math
- 1 Sudoku

#### MATHEMATICS

**World-** 19th Singapore and Asian Schools Mathematics Olympiad

- 7 Gold Medals
- 10 Silver Medals
- 10 Bronze Medals

**World- 2 Gold Medals-** 65th International Mathematical Olympiad

**World- Gold Medal-** 20th International Zhautykov Olympiad

**World- Silver Medal-** 28th Junior Balkan Mathematics Olympiad

**World-** American Mathematics Competitions

- 1st Place
- 3rd Place

**World- 1st Place-** Purple Comet! Math Meet Contest

**World-** ECIS MathQuest Competition

- 1st Place
- 2nd Place

**National-** Antalya National Mathematics Olympiad

- 2 Gold Medals
- 1 Silver Medal
- 2 Bronze Medals

**National- 1st Place-** Turkish Sigma Math, Science & Puzzle Olympics

#### SCIENCE

**World-** International STEM Olympics

- Gold Medal, Silver Medal, Bronze Medal

**National-** 31st TÜBİTAK Science Olympics

- Gold Medal
- Silver Medal

#### CHESS

**World-** European Schools Chess Championship

- 1st Place-17YO Category
- 2nd Place- 15YO Category

**National-** Turkish Junior and Stars Chess Championships

- 1st Place- 18YO Category
- 1st Place- 17YO Category
- 1st Place- 15YO Category

**National-** 2nd Place-Turkish Chess Championship

#### SUDOKU

**World- Silver Medal-** 17th World Sudoku Champ.- General Category

**World- Silver Medal-** 2nd Youth Sudoku Championship- U18 Category

**World-Silver Medal-** 16th World Sudoku Championship- U18 Category

#### DEBATE

**Regional- 2nd Place-** Istanbul Inter-School Debate Tournament

**Regional- 8th Place-** Rookies Debate Tournament

#### PHILOSOPHY

**Regional- 1st Place-** Young Philosopher Awards

## 2024 Athletic Distinctions

### 68 Students past and present on Turkish National Athletic Teams.

#### 18 Students currently on Turkish National Athletic Teams:

- |                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| 1 Basketball   | 1 Sailing  |
| 1 Fin Swimming | 1 Skiing   |
| 1 Ice Skating  | 9 Swimming |
|                | 4 Tennis   |

#### SWIMMING

**World-** Bulgaria Varna Black Sea Cup 2024

**1st Place-** 400m Medley

**1st Place-** 200m Medley

**2nd Place-** 400m Medley

**2nd Place-** 400m Freestyle

**2nd Place-** 200m Medley

**2nd Place-** 200m Backstroke

**2nd Place-** 200m Freestyle

**World-** Multinations Stars and Juniors Competitions

**1st Place-** 400m Medley

**1st Place-** 200m Butterfly

**2nd Place-** 24x200 Freestyle Relay

**2nd Place-** 2200m Medley

**2nd Place-** 2200m Butterfly

**2nd Place-** 24x100 Medley Relay

**2nd Place-** 24x100 Freestyle Relay

**World- 3rd Place-** 200m Freestyle, 11. Swimming Talent Cup

#### TENNIS

**National-1st Place-** Men's Singles, Under 12 Tennis Summer Cup

**National-1st Place-** Turkish Inter-School Junior Tennis Championship

**Regional-** Istanbul Inter-School Tennis Tournament

**1st Place-** Junior Girls

**1st Place-** Junior Boys

**2nd Place-** Boys

**3rd Place-** Girls

#### TABLE TENNIS

**National-** Inter-School Table Tennis Tournament for Special Athletes

**2nd Place-** Boys

**Regional-** Inter-School Table Tennis Tournament for Special Athletes

**3rd Place-** Girls

#### EQUESTRIAN

**National- 1st Place-** 2023 Alaaddin Aydın Jumping Cup

**National- 2nd Place-** Turkish Equestrian Federation Women Riders Cup

#### KARTING

**World- 2nd Place-** Trofeo Della Industrie Cup

#### FENCING

**National- 3rd Place U14 Women's Epee-** Fencing Federation Tournament

#### GOLF

**Regional-** Turkish Golf Federation Silivri Tournament

**2nd Place-** B Category

**2nd Place-** Junior Girls B Category

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community Service is highly emphasized at the core of ENKA School's mission and this is reflected throughout K-12 as an embedded part of the curriculum.

Students volunteer regularly throughout Istanbul as well as in community service projects throughout Türkiye and internationally. The school believes in acting locally first, becoming aware of one's community, seeing and acting on needs of your immediate surroundings. In this way, students begin with "grassroots" before going global. This includes partnering with schools and organizations in our Pinar neighborhood, an area of lower economic means. Groups of students and teachers have engaged in outreach in underdeveloped areas in Türkiye and abroad to help disadvantaged children.

## ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

ENKA student athletes, musicians, and artists are highly successful participants in teams, competitions, and exhibitions both nationally and internationally. Several students have ranked at the top in world championship events. ENKA is affiliated by THIMUN and the European Youth Parliament. Offerings change according to student interest.

#### Academic

- Chess
- Debate & Critical Thinking
- Entrepreneurship & Innovation
- Finance
- Model United Nations
- Philosophy & Citizenship
- Sign Language
- TEDx
- World Scholars Cup

#### Athletics

- Basketball
- Darts
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Swimming
- Sportcasting & Analysis
- Volleyball

#### Technology

- Drone Soccer Club
- Gaming Design
- TEAMS- Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science

#### Arts

- Caricature Drawing
- Cinema & Short Film
- Cooking
- Photography & Digital Media
- Radio & Podcast
- Reading/Book Club
- Rock Orchestra
- Theater
- Yoga & Mindfulness



## A Selection of Extended Essay Subjects- Class of 2024

### MATH

How does the performance of the A\* algorithm compare to that of Dijkstra's algorithm in terms of time complexity and memory usage on 2D grid-based search spaces in games?

To what extent can areas of mathematics such as differential geometry and calculus of variations be used to generalize the brachistochrone problem from planes to curved surfaces embedded in three dimensions?

### ENGLISH

How are society's perception of change and conflicts in the process of modernization handled in Ahmet Hamdi Tanpınar's novel **Saatleri Ayarlama Enstitüsü**?

To what extent does the metaphor of suffering have an impact on characterization in artistic works such as Kendrick Lamar's "Sing About Me, I'm Dying of Thirst" and Colson Whitehead's **The Underground Railroad**?

### FILM

How do the film techniques employed in Richard Linklater's "Before" trilogy portray Maurice Merleau-Ponty's philosophy of phenomenology, elevating it from a theoretical concept to a film expression?

### GLOBAL POLITICS

To what extent were economic factors the main cause of the removal of Hosni Mubarak from office in 2011?

# UNIVERSITY MATRICULATIONS 2020-2024

Typically, around 80% of graduating students apply to overseas universities. The class of 2024 matriculations are shown in **bold**.



## UNITED STATES

- 2 American University
- 6 **Babson College 3**
- 1 Barnard College
- 1 **Berklee College of Music 1**
- 1 Boston College
- 11 **Boston University 4**
- 3 Bryant University
- 1 California College of the Arts
- 1 California State Univ. Maritime Academy
- 2 **Carnegie Mellon University 1**
- 1 Columbia University
- 1 Cornell University
- 1 Dartmouth University
- 1 Denison University
- 2 Duke University
- 1 Fordham University
- 5 George Washington University
- 6 Georgetown University
- 1 Haverford College
- 1 Loyola Marymount University
- 2 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 1 Middlebury College
- 7 **New York University 3**
- 1 **Northeastern University 1**
- 3 Northwestern University
- 1 Oakland University
- 1 Oberlin College
- 2 Parsons School of Design
- 2 Pennsylvania State University
- 2 Pomona College
- 3 Pratt Institute
- 1 Princeton University
- 2 Purdue University
- 2 Ringling College of Art & Design
- 2 School of Visual Arts
- 2 St. Bonaventure University
- 1 Stanford University
- 1 Swarthmore College
- 1 Syracuse University
- 1 Tufts University
- 2 Tulane University
- 2 **University of California - San Diego 1**
- 1 University of California - Santa Barbara
- 2 University of California - Berkeley
- 6 University of California - Los Angeles
- 1 University of Chicago
- 1 University of Minnesota
- 1 **University of Missouri 1**
- 2 University of Pennsylvania
- 7 **University of Southern California 3**
- 1 University of Tampa
- 1 University of Wisconsin Madison
- 1 **Yale University 1**



## CANADA

- 2 Concordia University
- 1 Dalhousie University
- 9 **McGill University 1**
- 3 University of British Columbia
- 4 University of Toronto
- 1 York University



## UNITED KINGDOM

- 7 **Architectural Ass. School of Architecture 1**
- 1 Arts University Bournemouth
- 7 **City, University of London 1**
- 7 **Durham University 1**
- 1 **Imperial College London 1**
- 1 **Instituto Marangoni London 1**
- 12 **King's College London 7**
- 1 Kingston University
- 1 **London School of Economics 1**
- 1 London Southbank University
- 1 Manchester School of Architecture
- 1 Newcastle University
- 1 Oxford Brookes University
- 1 Royal Holloway, University of London
- 10 **University College London 4**
- 1 University of Bath
- 2 **University of Birmingham 1**
- 1 **University of Edinburgh 1**
- 1 University of Essex
- 3 **University of Exeter 2**
- 1 University of Glasgow
- 7 **University of Manchester 5**
- 8 University of Nottingham
- 3 **University of Oxford 1**
- 6 **University of Surrey 2**
- 13 **University of the Arts London 4**
- 1 University of the Creative Arts
- 2 **University of Warwick 1**
- 1 **University of Westminster 1**



## TÜRKİYE

- 1 Akdeniz Üniversitesi
- 10 **Bahçeşehir Üniversitesi 1**
- 1 **Beykent University 1**
- 2 Bilkent Üniversitesi
- 2 Boğaziçi Üniversitesi
- 1 Dokuz Eylül Üniversitesi
- 1 Eskişehir Teknik Üniversitesi
- 2 Hacettepe Üniversitesi
- 2 Işık Üniversitesi
- 12 **İstanbul Bilgi Üniversitesi 2**
- 11 **İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi 1**
- 6 **İstanbul Üniversitesi 1**
- 1 İzmir Katip Çelebi Üniversitesi
- 1 **Kadir Has Üniversitesi 1**
- 10 Koç Üniversitesi
- 1 Maltepe Üniversitesi
- 1 **MEF Üniversitesi 1**
- 1 Mimar Sinan Üniversitesi
- 3 Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi
- 7 **Özyeğin Üniversitesi 2**
- 3 Sabancı Üniversitesi
- 1 Trakya Üniversitesi
- 3 **Yeditepe Üniversitesi 1**



## ASIA

- 1 Yonsei University, China



## EUROPE

### BELGIUM

- 1 **KU Leuven 1**

### FRANCE

- 1 Toulouse Business School
- 1 **École Polytechnique 1**

### GERMANY

- 1 **Technical University of Nuremberg 1**
- 1 FH Aachen - University of Applied Sciences

### IRELAND

- 2 Trinity College Dublin

### ITALY

- 5 **Bocconi University 2**
- 1 Cattolica University
- 1 IED Istituto Europeo di Design
- 2 **Marangoni University 1**
- 7 Nuova Accademia delle Belle Arti
- 2 **Politecnico di Torino 1**
- 1 Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma
- 1 Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

### NETHERLANDS

- 1 **Amsterdam University College 1**
- 2 **Delft University 1**
- 10 **Eindhoven University of Technology 9**
- 2 Erasmus University Rotterdam
- 1 Hotelschool The Hague
- 2 Leiden University
- 2 Maastricht University
- 1 Radboud University
- 2 Tilburg University
- 22 **University of Amsterdam 5**
- 4 University of Groningen
- 1 **University of Twente 1**
- 1 **Utrecht University College 1**
- 1 **Van Hall Larenstein 1**
- 2 Vrije University Amsterdam

### SPAIN

- 3 **IE University 2**
- 1 Ramon Llull University - La Salle

### SWITZERLAND

- 1 **EHL Hospitality Business School 1**
- 2 Les Roches Intl. School of Hotel Management



## Geographic Distribution of Matriculations 2020-2024

