

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PREPARATORY ACADEMY

CLASS OF 2026



STUDENT ORIENTATION

WELCOME! BIENVENUE!
BENVENUTI! BIENVENIDO!



Principal
Dr. Alina M. Diaz-Blanco



Assistant Principal
Ms. Felicia Diaz

WE ARE HERE TO HELP

Ms. Acevedo

Activities Director / Gradebook Manager / Student Parking /
Student Portal

Ms. Alamo

Test Chairperson / Subject Selection / ESOL & Gifted
Chairperson

Ms. Ledo

Lead Teacher / AP, PSAT, SAT & ACT Coordinator / Foreign
Language Advisor

Ms. Dominguez

Student Services / School Counseling / Academic Advisement /
FLVS / Dual Enrollment / SAT & ACT Waivers

Ms. Luis

CAP Advisor / Scholarships

ATTENDANCE POLICY

X Students must be in class by 7:20 a.m. and picked up by 2:30 p.m.

X Breakfast is available from 6:50 a.m. – 7:15 a.m.

X A student attending ISPA that accumulated five or more unexcused absences in a semester course or ten in an annual credit course will have their grades withheld until they are resolved at the school-site level.

X **Students MUST be present in school, on time, the day of any event in order to participate.**



TARDY POLICY

X Students who are tardy to school must report to the office to secure an admit.

X Excessive tardies may result in:

- X loss of privileges
- X detentions
- X parent conferences
- X suspension



Failure to adhere to the 10/20 attendance policy will result in withdrawal from ISPA.

UNIFORM POLICY

- X Students are required to wear straight cut, khaki pants.
- X Pants must be worn at the student's waistline.
- X Shorts, jogger pants, capri pants, or skirts are not permitted.
- X Shirts may be Navy Blue, Hunter Green or Red and must have the ISPA logo on the upper left-hand side of the shirt.
- X Jeans are ONLY allowed on FRIDAYS.
- X No open-toed or backless shoes: no sandals, flip-flops, slides or slippers are permitted. Sneakers are recommended for all students.
- X Sweaters must be ISPA sweaters. NO other sweaters are allowed.
- X Club shirts can be worn on FRIDAYS.
- X The PTA will be selling ISPA uniforms & sweaters at the PTA Spirit Store and on their website: www.ispa-ptsa.com

SCHOOL ID'S

X School ID's will be issued the first week of school.

X ID's must be worn on a lanyard at all times and must be visible.

Consequences for not bringing ID:

X \$2 fee to reissue ID

X After 2 occurrences, a DETENTION will be issued

X 4 occurrences - CSI

ACADEMY FEE

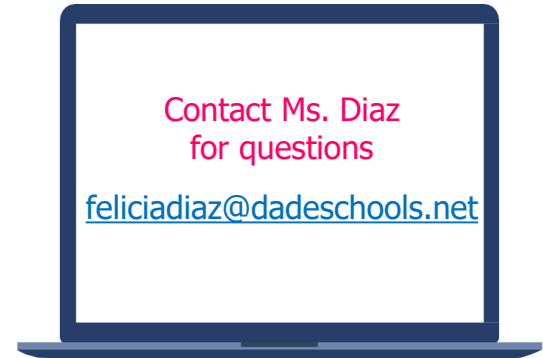
X Academy Fees for the 2022-2023 school year will be \$20 per Language Academy

METRO CARDS

- X Students who live further than 2 miles from ISPA are eligible to receive a MetroCard.
- X A shuttle service will be provided from the South Miami station to the school every morning from 6:45 a.m. and 7:05 a.m. and afternoons at dismissal time.
- X If your address changes, you must provide the necessary documentation to Ms. Calvo.
- X Information is fluid as we approach the beginning of the school year. More information will be forthcoming.

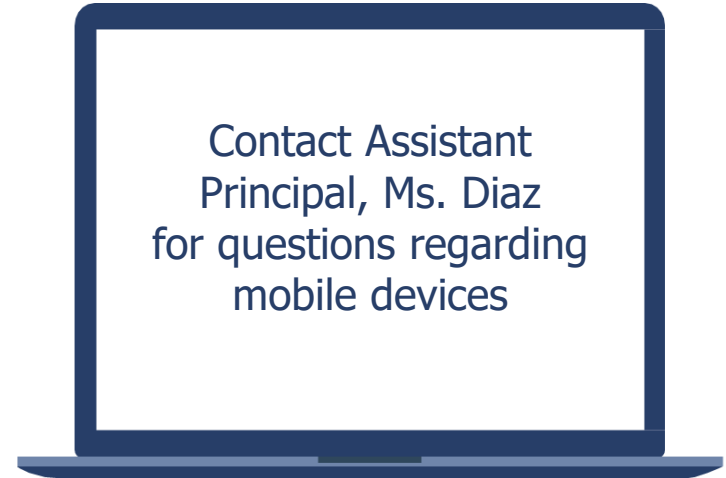
Contact Ms. Diaz
for questions

feliciadiaz@dadeschools.net



MOBILE DEVICES

- ✗ All students must have a mobile device.
- ✗ All students will have 2 options:
 - ✗ BYOD - Bring Your Own Device
Form Required
 - ✗ Checking-out a mobile device to
use throughout the school year
Form Required
- ✗ Devices cannot be shared
- ✗ Desktop computers will not be available
- ✗ DO NOT FORGET TO BRING YOUR DEVICE & CHARGER[S]
- ✗ There are NO printers available for students.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

<http://ispa.dadeschools.net>

- X International hours will be accepted from recognized agencies.
- X Signed letter on agency letter must be acquired from location where hours were obtained.
- X 200 hours are required for graduation



BELL SCHEDULE

Warning Bell 7:15 AM

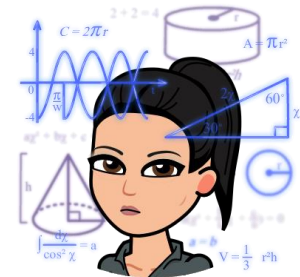
Advisement	7:20 AM - 7:30 AM	10 Minutes
Period 1 / 2	7:30 AM - 9:00 AM	90 Minutes
Passing	9:00 AM - 9:05 AM	5 Minutes
Period 3 / 4	9:05 AM - 10:35 AM	90 Minutes
Passing	10:35 AM - 10:40 AM	5 Minutes
Period 5 / 6	10:40 AM - 12:45 PM	90 Minutes (w/30 min. lunch and 5 min. passing)
Lunch 1	10:40 AM - 11:10 AM	30 Minutes
Passing	11:10 AM - 11:15 AM	5 Minutes
Lunch 1	11:15 AM - 11:45 AM	30 Minutes
Passing	11:45 AM - 11:50 AM	5 Minutes
Lunch 3	12:15 PM - 12:45 PM	30 Minutes
Passing	12:45 PM - 12:50 PM	5 Minutes
Period 7 / 8	12:50 PM - 2:20 PM	90 Minutes



CLUB OFFERINGS



Class of 2023	HIP	STEM
Class of 2024	History Bee	* Turning Point *
Class of 2025	ISPA Band	National Honor Society
Class of 2026	Key Club	National Art Honor Society
CLEO - Climate	Model UN	National French Honor Society
* Dance Club *	Music Production	National Italian Honor Society
F.E.A.	PRISM Alliance	National Spanish Honor Society
Fitness Club	SGA	Rho Kappa Honor Society
Geography Bee	* Social Justice *	Tri-M Music Honor Society
Chess Club	Cryptocurrency	Yoga and Mindfulness





SPORTS



You can attend ISPA and play a sport/sports for your home school.

Contact your home school's Athletic Director for tryout schedules.



SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

X All seniors in the International Studies (IS) programs of French, Italian, and Spanish have received a 100% passing rate in their respective AP Language Exam.

X 100% graduation rate for the last 5 years.

SCHOOL RECOGNITIONS



COLEGIO DEL AÑO
SCHOOL OF THE YEAR
2019



Magnet Schools of America Merit Award
School of Excellence

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

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INSTITUTO DE EMPRESA
SPAIN



GEORGIA TECH®

THE GEORGE
WASHINGTON
UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON, DC



For a full list of which Colleges and Universities
students have been accepted please visit ISPA's
Website.

ISPA SPIRIT STORE

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X You can start placing orders now on www.ispa-ptsa.com

X Pick up Dates:
June 6th - 9th / August 10th - 17th

X Pick up Times: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



ISPA PTSA MEMBERSHIP



www.ispa-ptsa.com

X Membership is \$42 per parent

X Membership is \$21 per student

ISPA MAGNET CONTRACT

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

- X Maintain a grade point average of 2.5 or higher in all Magnet courses and a 2.5 overall in all core courses each year.
A final grade of "F" (Magnet and core courses) may result in exiting the program at the end of the school year.
- X Maintain a minimum of a 2 in effort for Magnet and core courses.
An effort grade of 3 may contribute to a student being placed on probation or exited at the end of the school year.
- X Every student must take at least one Advanced Placement course during their four years.

ISPA MAGNET CONTRACT

ATTENDANCE

- X Maintain school attendance per School Board Policy 5200, which states that a student may not accumulate more than ten (10) unexcused absences in an annual course or more than five (5) unexcused absences in a semester course. *Violation of the above policy may result in probation and possible exit at the end of the school year.*

BEHAVIOR & CONDUCT

- X Maintain a conduct grade of “C” or higher in all Magnet and core courses each year.
- X Violation of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Code of Student Conduct may result in probation or possible immediate exit from the program.
<http://ehandbooks>.

ISPA MAGNET CONTRACT

BEHAVIOR & CONDUCT

- ✗ Excessive referrals and/or assignments to Success Centers will result in a behavioral contract, probation, and possible exit at the end of the school year.
- ✗ Students who violate Level III, IV or V of the Code of Student Conduct or have been assigned to an alternative setting will not be allowed to return to the Magnet program.

SUBJECT SELECTION

9th Grade Subject Selection

X Forms will be completed today with assistance from Ms. Alamo and Ms. Dominguez.

10th – 12th Grade Subject Selection

X Students will make an appointment TODAY to meet with Ms. Dominguez.

X Forms will be completed with her on day of appointment.

STAY CONNECTED

ISPA Website: <http://ispa.dadeschools.net>



@ispaatgables

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ISPA APP



Available on the
App Store



Available on the Android
App Store



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ispa_highschool



remind Text:
@ispa2026
To: 81010



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QUESTIONS

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just
ASK!

