



# International Studies Preparatory Academy (ISPA)

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CEEB CODE: 102334

Class of 2022 Size: 89

## Class of 2022 SCHOOL PROFILE

### SCHOOL OVERVIEW:

ISPA is a language magnet public high school serving students from grades 9 through 12. The International Studies Program (IS) is the only program of its kind in the United States. The IS curriculum is a challenging collaboration between Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) and the Ministries of Education of Spain, France, and Italy. Students pursue world language studies in addition to an academic curriculum with an international focus that addresses rigorous standards of both U.S. and European Union (EU) educational systems. Students study literature and humanities (history and geography) taught in the program language. Since its opening in 2010, ISPA has maintained a school grade of an "A" by the Florida Department of Education, and it is always ranked amongst the top schools in Florida and the nation.

### CURRICULUM/INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMAS:

- IS Spanish program students may qualify for the National Diploma of Spain, Spanish Bachiller Diploma, in addition to the Florida High School Diploma
- IS Italian students who pass the AP Italian exam and three or four other AP exams as part of their American curriculum, will be permitted to enroll in any Italian University of their choice. This is also applicable to IE Italian students who become proficient in the language.
- IS French students wishing to study at a French University must hold a high school diploma and pass the DELF B2 exam (Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française) \* A fee is associated with this exam.

### GRADING/GRADING SCALE:

Miami Dade County Public School year has 180 days. The school year is divided into two semesters of four quarters, each quarter having nine weeks. Most courses are annual (1.0 credit) and receive final grades at the end of the year. For some courses worth .5 credits, the final grade is awarded at the end of the semester. Students are required to take eight classes per year on a modified block schedule. Students have four classes every day alternating between odd and even period days, each period lasts 90 minutes. Six classes are taught in English as part of the Florida High School Diploma requirements and two are taught in the language of the Program (Spanish, Italian, or French). The students GPA is updated three times a year (fall, spring, and summer) GPA is weighted for students taking AP and Honors courses. All course, semester, and final grades appear on the transcript. MDCSPS does not rank its students.

#### GRADING SCALE

**A: 100-90 B: 89-80 C:79-70 D: 69-60 F: 59-0**

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

The number of credits required for graduation is 24. In addition, students must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher and earn 200 hours of community service hours. Required subjects include:

<b>English-</b>	4 Credits	<b>Foreign Language-</b>	4 Credits
<b>Math-</b>	4 Credits	<b>Physical Education-</b>	1 Credit
<b>Science-</b>	3 Credits	<b>Fine Arts/Performing Arts-</b>	1 Credit
<b>Social Studies-</b>	1 Credit World History 1 Credit American History 1 Credit US Government/Economics	<b>Electives-</b>	8 Credits

#### ADMINISTRATION/ STAFF

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#### STATE AND NATIONAL SCHOOL ACCOLADES

##### 2022 National Recognition US News and World Report

#143 in National Rankings  
#18 in Florida High Schools  
#13 in Miami, FL Metro  
Area High Schools  
#11 in Miami-Dade County  
Public Schools High Schools  
#35 in Magnet High Schools

##### 2022 Magnet School of Excellence Award from Magnet Schools of America

##### 2022 Great Schools College Success Award

Nationally Certified Magnet  
School

## Honors Classes Program:

• English 1	• Biology
• English 2	• Chemistry
• English 3	• World History
• English 4	• US History
• Algebra 1	• World Cultural Geography
• Algebra 2	• US Government and Politics
• Geometry	• Economics
• Pre-Calculus	• Foreign Language Literature <i>Spanish, French, and Italian</i>
• Physical Science	• <u>Foreign Language Humanities</u> <i>Spanish, French and Italian</i>

## Advanced Placement Program:

• English Language	• Studio Art 2D
• English Literature	• US History
• Calculus AB	• Capstone- Seminar
• Biology	• Capstone-Research
• Human Geography	• Spanish Language
• World History	• Spanish Literature
• European History	• French Language
• Art History	• Italian Language
• US Government and Politics	• <u>Psychology</u>

*\*Students are also eligible for Dual Enrollment through Miami Dade College and may take courses not offered on campus through Florida Virtual School.*

## Class of 2022 College Acceptances:

American University of Paris	Fordham University	Rice University
Appalachian State University	Georgia Institute of Technology	Ringling College of Art & Design
Barry University	HEC Montreal	Rollins College
Belhaven University	IE University	Saint Louis University-Madrid
Boston College	Indiana University-Bloomington	Santa Fe College
Boston University	International University of Monaco	Santa Monica College
Brigham Young University-Idaho	Johnson & Wales University	Savannah College of Art & Design
California Polytechnic University	Kalamazoo College	Seton Hall
Citrus College	Louisiana State University	Stetson University
Concordia University-Canada	Loyola University- Chicago	St. Thomas University
Cornell University	Lynn University	Suffolk University
Culinary Institute of America	McGill University- Canada	The New School
Dartmouth College	Miami Dade College	Universitat Ramon Llull
Dean College	Miami Dade Honors College	University of Alabama
DePauw University	Michigan State University	University of California-Davis
Drexel University	New World School of the Arts	University of Central Florida
Emmanuel College	New York University	University of Denver
Florida Atlantic University	Northfield Mount Hermon	University of Florida
Florida Gulf Coast University	Nova Southeastern University	University of Houston
Florida Institute of Technology	Pace University	University of Miami
Florida International University	Palm Beach Atlantic University	University of San Diego
Florida Memorial University	Pennsylvania State University	University of Southern California
Florida Southern College	Purdue University	University of South Florida
Florida State University	Quinnipiac University	University of Tampa
		Virginia Tech & State University

## CLASS OF 2022

Class Size: 89 students  
100% Graduation Rate  
97% Attending college/university

## 2022 AP SCHOLAR RECOGNITION

43 AP SCHOLARS

7 AP SCHOLARS WITH HONORS

24 AP SCHOLARS WITH DISTINCTION

10 AP CAPSTONE DPLOMA

5 AP CAPSTONE CERTIFICATES

## AP PERFORMANCE 2022

100% OF STUDENTS TAKE AP EXAM

Total AP Students: 217

Number of Exams: 369

AP Average Score: 3.4

% of Total AP Students with Scores 3+: 76%

## 2022 FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES RECIPIENTS

Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) = 13 Students

Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) = 19 Students