BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INDIAN SCHOOLS OMAN

ADMISSIONS IN INDIAN SCHOOLS IN THE CAPITAL AREA
Academic Year 2026– 2027

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1) **Which are the schools covered under the online admission system?**

   Indian School Muscat, Indian School Darsait, Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir (CBSE Curriculum), Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir (Cambridge Curriculum), Indian School Al Ghubra (CBSE Curriculum), Indian School Al Ghubra (Cambridge Curriculum), Indian School Al Seeb, Indian School Al Maabela and Indian School Bousher.

2) **Is online application mandatory for admissions?**

   Yes.

3) **What is the age for admission in KG I (Foundation I), KG II (Foundation II), KG III (Foundation III) and class I?**

As per the new education policy of India (NEP 2020), children must meet the following age criteria as of **March 31, 2026**:

- **KG I (Foundation I)** : Completed 3 years (as of 31 March 2026)
- **KG II (Foundation II)** : Completed 4 years (as of 31 March 2026)
- **KG III (Foundation III)** : Completed 5 years (as of 31 March 2026)
- **Class I**: Completed 6 years (as of 31 March 2026)

4) **Why has the Foundational Stage (kindergarten) been revised under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020?**

   The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 introduces a restructured Foundational Stage of education for children aged 3 to 8 years, with a strong emphasis on age-appropriate, play-based, and experiential learning during the early years.

   In alignment with NEP 2020, the Foundational Stage now includes three years of education for children aged 3 to 6 years, followed by Classes I and II for ages 6 to 8 years.

Accordingly, Indian Schools in Oman have embraced the "Foundational programme" transitioning from the two-year structure to a three-year model titled **KG I (Foundation I), KG II (Foundation II), KG III (Foundation III)**, ensuring a smoother academic progression and a stronger foundation before entry into Class I.

5) My child has completed Pre-Kindergarten/Nursery in a recognized school in India or Oman but does not meet the prescribed age requirement. Will my child be eligible for admission to KG I (Foundation I)?

No. Admission to KG I (Foundation I) will not be possible if the child does not meet the prescribed age criteria, even if the child has completed Pre-Kindergarten/Nursery and holds a valid Transfer Certificate (TC) from a recognized school in India or Oman.

To qualify for admission to KG I (Foundation I), a child must have completed 3 years of age on or before 31 March 2026.

6) My child has completed KG I in another recognized school in India or Oman but does not meet the prescribed age requirement. Will my child be eligible for admission to KG II (Foundation II) ?

No. Admission to KG II (Foundation II) will not be possible if the child does not meet the prescribed age criteria, even if the child has completed KG I and holds a valid Transfer Certificate (TC) from a recognized school in India or Oman.

The school strictly follows the age norms prescribed by CBSE, which mandate that a child must complete 6 years of age for admission to Class I. In order to ensure compliance with this requirement at later stages, age eligibility is strictly enforced at admission to all Kindergarten (Foundation) levels.

7) My child has completed KG II in a recognized school in India or Oman. To which grade will my child be eligible for admission?

If the child has completed KG II and holds a valid Transfer Certificate (TC) from a recognized school in India or Oman, the child will be eligible for admission to Class I for the academic year 2026-2027, irrespective of the revised age criteria. The promotion policy recognizes the completion of a prior grade as proof of eligibility.

8) My child has not completed KG I (Foundation I) by attending regular school still be eligible for KG II (Foundation II) admission?

Yes. Children can directly enter KG II (Foundation II) if they meet the age requirement (4 years as of March 31, 2026).

9) My child is currently not residing in Oman, but expected to join for the upcoming academic year. Can I do online registration for him?

Yes. Once the seat has been allotted, provisional admission will be given on submission of required documents and payment of fees. Admission will be confirmed only after the child's presence within the time specified by the school.

10)   The resident visa of my child is under process. Can I register online for his admission?

Yes. However, at the time of admission the child should have obtained the residence card.

11)   Is the residence card mandatory for admission of children?

Yes. It is a mandatory document for admission.

12)   The online application form calls for nine choices of schools. Is it mandatory to mark all the choices?

Yes, it is mandatory to mark all choices in the order of preference.

13)   How do I know that my application is submitted in the online system?

On the successful submission of the application online, you will receive an email & sms with the registration number (username) and password.

14)   How do I pay the application processing fee of OMR 15?

On submission of the application form, the system will automatically take you to the window for the online fee remittance. You can make the payment using any debit/credit cards issued in Oman.

15)   Will the processing charge be refunded if I am not taking admission for my ward?

The processing charge is non-refundable.

16)   How do I know that the application has been successfully completed?

Once the online remittance of the processing charge is done, you will get the message of successful submission of the application form. Additionally, you will also get SMS and email.

17)   I am seeking admission for more than one child in the same school. Is there a provision to use just one application form for all of them?

No. Each of your children should have different application forms separately filled and submitted.

18)   I am an Indian national expected to take employment in Oman soon. I wish to apply online for my child's admission. Can I apply online before taking the Omani visa or the residence card?

You need to have a valid residence card in Oman along with a debit / credit card issued by any of the banks in Oman to complete the online registration.

19)   Can other nationalities apply for admissions in Indian Schools?

After completing the admissions of Indian nationals, schools may consider admission of other nationalities subject to availability of seats.

Please go through the circular "Admission to Other Nationalities" at https://www.indianschoolsinoman.com/admit.aspx?v=err1 (new form to be replaced)

20)   I am a parent with Indian passport, but my child has a foreign passport. What should I do to take admission in Indian School?

Please fill up the Google form given here https://forms.gle/q5Ta6HmbCMFEfTb66 (new form to be replaced)

21)   How are the seats allocated for admission in various schools?

All accepted applications will go through a computerized random draw based on the preference made by the parent and availability of seats. The process would select the applications class wise, school wise and choice wise and the seat allocation will be made accordingly.

22)   Is the area of my residence taken into consideration when the seat allotment is done?

No. The preference is given to the choice made by the parent. However, if that school does not have vacancies, the next choice is considered.

23)   Will my child get admission in the school of my first choice?

It depends on the availability of seats in that particular school. Hence the parent is advised to mark the choices carefully after analyzing the vacancy matrix given in this website for each school.

24)   If I submit my application form early, do I stand a better chance of getting the admission?

No. all the applications submitted until the cutoff date will have equal chance in the computerized random draw process.

25)   My child is currently studying in one of the Indian Schools in the capital area. Can I use the online registration form and apply for an inter-school transfer?

Online registration form is meant for new admissions. If you require an inter-school transfer, please register here at https://forms.gle/KMY47RyFuLhnYdmZ9 . (new form to be replaced)

Inter-school transfers will be considered after allotment of new admissions for academic year 2026-2027 and subject to availability of seats in the schools.

26)   My child is studying in a school outside the capital (Muscat) area and I want to seek admission for him in one of the schools in the capital (Muscat) area. Do I have to fill the online application form?

Yes. If a parent wants to shift his child to an Indian School in the capital (Muscat) area, the process of online registration and submission of application form is mandatory.

27)   I am a staff of one of the seven Indian Schools, seeking admission for my child. How do I submit my application?

You may please submit a written application / e-mail to the Principal of your respective School.

28)   I have a child already studying in an Indian School and I want to admit another child (sibling) in the same school. Would there be a preference given for admission in the draw?

Yes. Please ensure that the same school is marked as the first preference in the application.

29)   What should I do for admitting my child in higher classes for which there is no draw?

For admissions to classes X and XII, you are required to approach the school directly. However, for Class XI, online application facility will be enabled after the Class X Board results.

30)   What is the procedure for getting admission in the international wings of Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir and Indian School Al Ghubra?

The same online registration is applicable for admissions in the international wing (Cambridge Syllabus) of Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir and Indian School Al Ghubra.

Once the registration is done, the School will contact the parents informing them about the date of admission.

If you have a different question to ask and clarify regarding the admission procedures in Indian Schools in Oman, please write to admissions2026@indianschoolsoman.com