

The English School is an independent school governed by The English School Foundation and rooted in respect for Christian values. It includes a two-year preschool, comprehensive education years 1-9 and a high school. The school was founded by American Catholic sisters in 1945, and since then has been offering education in English and Finnish. The school's special task is our focus on English and Finnish language and cultures. We teach students to become responsible citizens who are tolerant to diversity and open to multiculturalism.

Our school community encourages students to set high goals and to find joy and motivation in learning in order to work toward those goals. We want everyone to discover the most effective means for them to learn and study. Innovative thinking and openness to new experiences are emphasized.

Our lessons are inspiring, motivating and geared to students' needs and developmental level. Our educational experiences reach outside the school premises for more meaningful learning. As a part of our bilingual education, all teaching uses linguistic awareness and language pedagogy. We encourage students to strive for self-improvement and lifelong learning.

Our school's ethos is based on Christian values, which support students' growth regardless of their religious background. Love, compassion and acceptance toward self and others are the basis of this growth toward fully realized humanity. Our school's understanding of education rests on respect for diversity: for different beliefs, opinions, and world views. It places value on humanity and finding meaning in life through one's own important experiences.

Our school's international faculty and student body provide practical opportunities for intercultural learning. We encourage our students to be active citizens and active members of the community. Social skills, polite behaviour, self-regulation and emotional intelligence are important to us.