



Language Policy

Smart Innovations School

Empowering Minds, Enriching Hearts,
Expanding Horizons

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Language is at the heart of our educational philosophy at Smart Innovations School. This language policy outlines our commitment to nurturing multilingualism, fostering open-mindedness, and embracing cultural diversity. It is aligned with the IB's mission to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who contribute to creating a better world through intercultural understanding and respect.

Languages of Instruction:

1. Primary Language of Instruction: The primary language of instruction at Smart Innovations School is English. English is the medium of instruction for most subject areas.
2. Mother Tongue Support: We recognize the significance of students' mother tongue, and we encourage the development of proficiency in Bangla, the mother tongue of most students at SIS. Mother tongue instruction is available to support cognitive development and encourage positive attitude to cultural diversity.
3. Promoting Multilingualism: Our world is rich in cultural and linguistic diversity. Multilingualism celebrates this diversity by recognizing the value of different languages and cultures. It allows individuals to connect with their heritage, history, and identity. In an increasingly interconnected world, being proficient in multiple languages is an asset. It enables individuals to communicate with people from various backgrounds, fostering global understanding and empathy. Learning and using multiple languages can enhance cognitive skills, including problem-solving, creativity, and

memory. Multilingual individuals often exhibit better multitasking and decision-making abilities. Therefore we strongly believe in nurturing multilingualism. Students are encouraged to explore and acquire proficiency in languages beyond their primary language. Our Language Acquisition program provides the foundation for language learning, allowing students to become proficient in additional languages.

Additional Language Instruction: Smart Innovations School will offer a range of additional language courses, like Spanish and Arabic, from January 2024 to provide students with opportunities to develop proficiency in other languages.

Language Acquisition:

Inclusive and Respectful Language: We emphasize the use of inclusive and respectful language in all school communications and interactions. We celebrate linguistic and cultural diversity, fostering an environment where all languages are valued and respected.

Assessment and Evaluation:

Language Assessment: Language skills are assessed using a variety of methods, including reading, writing, listening, and speaking, to evaluate students' proficiency in their chosen languages.

Professional Development:

Teacher Development: Smart Innovations School is dedicated to providing ongoing professional development opportunities for teachers to enhance their language instruction skills and stay current with best practices in language education.

Communication and Reporting:

Parent Communication: We are committed to maintaining open and clear communication with parents regarding their child's language development and progress. End of unit report cards, Parent-teacher conferences, and student led conferences and weekly updates offer insights into each student's language journey.

Review and Revision:

Policy Review: This language policy will be periodically reviewed to ensure its alignment with the school's educational goals and the evolving needs of our diverse student body.

This language policy underscores our commitment to providing a language-rich, inclusive, and culturally diverse learning environment. It aligns with the values of the IB and the mission of Smart Innovations School, fostering students who appreciate the value of languages, embrace cultural diversity, and are prepared to engage as responsible global citizens in an interconnected world.

