

VISION OF CISS

Colegio Internacional de San Salvador exists to provide a multicultural educational environment which promotes academic excellence and encourages students to be inquisitive, compassionate, life-long learners prepared for leadership roles in the global community.

MISSION STATEMENT

Colegio Internacional de San Salvador believes in providing a holistic education that inspires students to become life-long enthusiastic learners who value integrity, cultural diversity, and the pursuit of excellence. CISS incorporates an internationally accepted U.S. curriculum and complies with the requirements of the Ministry of Education of El Salvador. Our qualified professionals work with the school community to prepare students to be independent, creative and critical thinkers, and socially responsible global citizens.

BELIEFS

I. ACADEMICS

1. The foundation of our academic curriculum is based on that of the United States and we comply with the educational requirements of the Ministry of Education of El Salvador, with the purpose of preparing students for success in institutions of higher education.
2. We take pride of the success of our students, given our rigorous curriculum and record of academic excellence.
3. We recruit competent and dedicated teaching faculty following AdvancED and MINED accreditation standards.
4. Our grading system uses the standard U.S. model and facilitates successful transition to national and international schools.
5. English is the primary language of the school, except in those areas required by MINED.
6. We recognize the importance of respecting the rich traditions and cultural heritage of El Salvador, and we expect all international students to work toward fluency in the Spanish language.

II. SCHOOL CLIMATE

7. Even though we are a Salvadoran school and follow a U.S. curriculum and calendar, we are proud of our multi-cultural community and the strengths developed through its diversity.
8. Our strong and nurturing school community promotes cooperation between parents and school.
9. We emphasize the importance of a democratic society.

10. In order to preserve a conservative school identity, maintain a school climate conducive to learning, and to avoid distractions, we require the use of a school uniform and strictly enforce the school dress code.

11. Our Code of Conduct was designed with the purpose of preparing students for success within the disciplinary structure required for future university and work environments.

III. INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT

12. We believe that a holistic education is important, stressing the value of physical and cognitive development, mental/emotional health, as well as character education.

13. Our teaching philosophy nurtures curiosity and creativity of students and develops critical and independent thinkers.

14. We promote social responsibility, self-motivation, leadership, and global awareness in our students.

15. We promote environmental awareness in our academic and extra- curricular activities.

16. We encourage students to learn from the past to prepare for the future.

17. We emphasize self-discipline, mutual respect and personal responsibility.

18. We provide extra-curricular opportunities such as creative arts, athletics, technology, and leadership oriented activities that allow students to reach their full potential.