



VILLA INTERNATIONAL  
HIGH SCHOOL

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS – 2022-2024

### THE CURRICULUM AND SELECTION PROCEDURES

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#### VIHS STUDENT PACKAGE 2022-2024: TOWARDS QUALITY EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

##### VISION

Villa International High school strives to be the leading Higher Secondary Education provider in the Maldives, highly valued and recognized locally and internationally.

##### MISSION

The mission of Villa International High School is to sustain, advance and disseminate knowledge and understanding by providing internationally recognized quality education through teaching and training which develop intellectual capacity and values vital for the development of the Maldivian community.

##### VALUES

**Quality education:** VIHS affirms quality as our principal priority by providing programs and services that ensure excellence in teaching and learning, student services and organizational efficiency.

**Empowerment:** We encourage the development of student self-discipline and independence and create opportunities for students to maximize their potential.

**Community engagement:** VIHS is driven by the needs of the society. Through our clubs and short courses, we are committed to promoting a climate that promotes civic engagement.

**Moral and religious values:** VIHS attaches great importance to inculcate moral and Islamic values in our students.

**Equal opportunities:** We offer a diverse environment that provides an equitable education for all our students and emphasize respect for individual and cultural differences.

**Fairness and integrity:** We seek to uphold and instil the highest standards of ethics in our students.

**Lifelong learning:** Our academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular programs are designed to create the desire to learn, the ability to think clearly and express themselves effectively and to instil the habit of analytical and reflective thought, the awareness and appreciation of their cultural and national heritage.

**Responsible citizenry:** VIHS is committed to a diverse environment that creates opportunities for students to exhibit leadership and citizenship. We foster in students a sense of responsibility for their own development and an understanding of their obligations as members of a democratic society.

## **We maximize our values through:**

- **Interactive classrooms:** Our classrooms are airconditioned and equipped with the latest technology to provide an interactive environment where students are encouraged to use their own devices to access their learning materials. Many of our classrooms are equipped with technology to enable hybrid learning, whereby students can also access teachers from home simultaneously with students in the classroom.
- **Caring teachers:** Our teachers are constantly learning in order to adopt effective and creative approaches to teaching and learning. Through current methodology blended with technology, teachers seek to create cooperative and active classrooms where learners use multiple resources to construct knowledge and apply these skills practically. All our teachers have first degree in their subject with years of experience. More than 90% of our teachers have masters degree.
- **Safe, secure and supervised environment:** Our school environment facilitates students to work cooperatively and in harmony with each other. Students are mentored by their class teachers. Students' development, progress and well-being are of the utmost concern for the staff of VIHS.
- **Learning beyond walls:** Students are exposed to various environments and learning experiences through field trips to local and international destinations. From these trips students will enrich their understanding about the culture, as well as Science and Business worlds. In trips to local destinations students will explore the culture, heritage, dialects and customs of the locals of those atolls. In trips to overseas destinations students will visit garment, automobile and food production factories; banks, universities and other institutions, as well as nature parks, botanic gardens, universities, laboratories and research facilities.
- **Single session schooling:** Students spend five to seven hours per day at school, during which time they complete all class work and assignments. Enrichment and extra classes are also provided for students requiring support.
- **Online learning management system "Dhasvehi":** We seek to fully engage our students as active learners by providing a broad range of learning experiences through online resources and practical classroom sessions.
- **Parent Portal "Belenivehi":** Parents can monitor the students' attendance and performance in real time.

## **For student development:**

- **Clubs and houses:** Students can take part in sports, competitions, exhibitions, symposiums and workshops organized by the houses and clubs of VIHS.
- **Internship:** All Science students will have the opportunity to complete an internship at 4 departments of their choice at IGMH.
- **Career Guidance and Counselling:** We provide career programs to prepare students to enter the workforce and help them choose the best career paths through training and higher education.
- **Special classes and extra co-curricular activities:** Students can enrol in a variety of short skill-building classes and take part in club activities which are conducted throughout the academic year.  
*\*For details of our programs, visit [www.vihs.edu.mv](http://www.vihs.edu.mv) and <https://www.facebook.com/vihs.edu.mv>.*
- **Skills Development Program:** A variety of short courses, certified by Villa College, is available for students who wish to develop employable skills. These may include Graphic Designing, Web Designing, Spreadsheet Management, Robotics, Chinese Language and IELTS.

## **IMPORTANT RESOURCES AVAILABLE**

**Library:** Our state-of-the-art library is equipped with a huge number of physical and online resources (such as EBSCO, E-library USA, Science Direct, JSTOR, Cambridge Journals Online, Royal Society Journals, etc.). For a complete list of all resources, visit <https://library.villacollege.edu.mv>. The library includes discussion rooms and conducive study areas. Other services in the library include photocopying and printing.

**Laboratories:** Our Science labs are fully equipped with all necessary equipment and good quality chemicals. Scheduled lab sessions are conducted for all Science students in Physics, Chemistry and Biology to provide a hands-on experience. Computer labs with the latest facilities are available for students' use. Other labs with the latest facilities include Art & Design Lab and Psychology Lab.

Apart from the above resources, students can also access Chinese Language Centre and use our free Wi-Fi service. We also have a modern multi-purpose hall to conduct school activities, examinations, etc.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Entrance requirements for VIHS are based on the results of O level, IGCSE and SSC examinations (or equivalent). Please note that grades A\*, A, B and C are pass grades and that VIHS will only consider O level, IGCSE and SSC examinations (or equivalent) taken in the last two years (i.e. October 2020 or later).

Students with 5 passes in O level, IGCSE and SSC subjects are eligible for admission at VIHS.

## SUBJECTS OFFERED AT VIHS

SUBJECT	CODE	EXAM
Dhivehi Language	8200	HSC (national)
Islamic Studies	8100	HSC (national)
English as a Second Language	0510	Cambridge IGCSE
Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)		Cambridge ESOL
Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)		Cambridge ESOL
Mathematics	YMA01	Edexcel IAL
Accounting	YAC11	Edexcel IAL
Business	YBS11	Edexcel IAL
Economics	YEC11	Edexcel IAL
Biology	YBI11	Edexcel IAL
Chemistry	YCH11	Edexcel IAL
Physics	YPH11	Edexcel IAL
Art & Design	9479	Cambridge IAL
Computer Science	9618	Cambridge IAL
Digital Media & Design	9481	Cambridge IAL
Information Technology	9626	Cambridge IAL
Law	9084	Cambridge IAL
Psychology	9990	Cambridge IAL
Travel & Tourism	9395	Cambridge IAL

We recommend students to choose 5 to 6 subjects from any ONE of the combinations below. However, students can choose from 2 to 6 subjects. These subjects must contain at least 2 Edexcel/Cambridge IAL subjects (from that combination). An additional subject (from the same combination) can be offered to students who wish to study 7 subjects, based on the results.

BUSINESS 1	BUSINESS 2	BUSINESS 3	BUSINESS 4	BUSINESS 5	BUSINESS 6	BUSINESS 7
DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI
ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL
ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE
ACC	ACC	ACC	ACC	ACC	ACC	ACC
BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS
ECO	ECO	ECO	ECO	ECO	ECO	ECO
MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT
A&D	CS	DMD	IT	LAW	PSY	TT

SCIENCE 1	SCIENCE 2	SCIENCE 3	SCIENCE 4	SCIENCE 5	SCIENCE 6	SCIENCE 7
DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI	DHI
ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL	ISL
ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE	ENG/CAE/CPE
BIO	BIO	BIO	BIO	BIO	BIO	BIO
CHE	CHE	CHE	CHE	CHE	CHE	CHE
PHY	PHY	PHY	PHY	PHY	PHY	PHY
MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT	MAT
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## NOTES

English as a Second Language (Cambridge IGCSE) is compulsory for all students who achieved below C grade in O Level/IGCSE English.

Only students with C grade or above in HSC Dhivehi, HSC Islam and a C grade or above in O Level/IGCSE English (or an equivalent or a higher English qualification) are eligible for National A Level Top Ten.

Students who achieved A\* or A in IGCSE English as a Second Language may choose CPE.

Students who have achieved A\*, A or B in O Level English Language or IGCSE English - First Language may also opt for CPE.

CAE is offered for students who have achieved B/C in IGCSE English as a Second Language (Extended) or C in O Level English Language.

\* Students with a C in IGCSE English as a Second Language (Core) cannot opt for CAE.

\* Students who are eligible for CPE may choose CAE if they wish.

***Formation of classes with your desired combination will only be possible if a reasonable number of students apply for it.***

## SCHOOL FEES

The monthly school fee is MVR 3600/- from September 2022 until the student graduates after the A Level terminal examinations, which are expected to be held in October 2024. The academic calendar of Ministry of Education states that the academic year begins in September. Hence the total number of months of two academic years is 26 months (September 2022 – October 2024). Due to unforeseen circumstances the length of the two academic years may exceed 26 months. In such cases the end of the two academic years will be the date of graduation and school fee continues till graduation date.

### Additional fees

Admission fee: MVR 2000/- non-refundable, one-time payment (payable upon registration)

Activity fee: MVR 500/- per year

## SCHOLARSHIPS

VIHS offers scholarships for students who performed well in O Level/IGCSE/SSC (or equivalent) examinations (on merit basis) and students who outshined in sports and extra-curricular activities listed in the Activity Calendar of the Ministry of Education, as per the VIHS Scholarship Awarding Policy, which will be uploaded to our website <https://vihs.edu.mv> by 21 August 2022.

## APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES

- Applications are open from: 12<sup>th</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- A soft copy of the application form can be downloaded from our website <https://vihs.edu.mv> or hard copies of application forms can be collected from VIHS office between 9:00 am and 2:30 pm of weekdays, from 12<sup>th</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- Completed application forms can be submitted to VIHS office between 9:00 am and 2:30 pm of weekdays, from 18<sup>th</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- Personal information form and uniform code for students who gain admission will be issued within 3 working days of submitting the application (online or hard copy). **Students will be registered once the completed personal information form is submitted, latest by 2:30 pm of 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**
- Selected students' list will be displayed on school website on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- Orientation program schedule will be displayed on school website on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- Meeting parents and students: There will be a meeting for all newly admitted students and their parents on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The venue and other details will be informed later.
- Commencement of First Semester (with orientation): 19 September 2022