



# EBGIS

EDUCATING GLOBAL CITIZENS

**EAST BAY  
GERMAN  
INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOOL**

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The East Bay German International School (EBGIS) is a dual-language immersion school offering Preschool, Elementary and Middle School programs. Our integrated curriculum combines bilingual German and English instruction with project-based learning and a cross-cultural experience. We offer exceptional academics, a diverse international perspective, and a vibrant community of students, parents and teachers.

No prior knowledge of German is needed to join our Preschool and Kindergarten programs. Students need not be fluent in German to join our Elementary and Middle Schools. Talk to us about individualized language support.

**A spacious campus** including large classrooms, bilingual library, dedicated music and art spaces, a science laboratory, an auditorium, athletic facilities, and ample play space.

**A competitive tuition structure and tuition assistance** for eligible families.

### Who We Are

**An established institution** that previously served our community for over ten years as the East Bay campus of the German International School of Silicon Valley (GISSV).

**A highly qualified international faculty** inspiring students and preparing them to continue their education at top-tier universities in the US and abroad.

**A diverse community** of students, parents, teachers and staff who share a passion for learning through the lens of German language and cultural immersion.

### What We Offer

**Preschool through Grade 8** in small classes that maximize student/teacher and student/student interaction. This format allows teachers to give individualized support to all of our students and challenge them to realize their full potential.

- **Preschool and Kindergarten** blending early language and math concepts with social-emotional education, gross and fine motor activities, music and art exploration, and intercultural learning.
- **Elementary School (grades 1-4)** focusing on language and quantitative competencies, the arts, experimental science, and physical education.
- **Middle School (grades 5-8)** emphasizing advanced academic skills and independence while supporting personal development and growth.

**Dual language German/English immersion.** We employ rigorous and developmentally appropriate German curricula to develop students' strengths across academic disciplines as well as their critical thinking skills, social-emotional competencies, artistic expression, and motor skills. Our students receive project-based, literature-rich English language instruction in every grade.

### Our Mission

*We empower our students to become creative and critical world citizens. Our exceptional dual-language program equips our students with outstanding academic skills and proficiency in both German and English through dual-language instruction. Our multicultural and diverse school community fosters collaboration among students, families, and teachers, nurturing social-emotional skills, cultural understanding, and democratic values.*



## German and International

German is the national language of Europe's largest and the world's fourth largest economy. Considering Germany's influence in the arts as well as in science, engineering, and business fields, it is clear that German language fluency opens the door to a world of opportunities.

With over 100 million German speakers in Germany and across the world, German has a truly global cultural and linguistic presence. That's why EBGIS is an international school, not just a German school. We see the world through the lens of German language and cultural immersion, actively engage with other cultures, and create opportunities for our students to learn in a dynamic, multidimensional way with a global perspective.



## The Benefits of Bilingual Education

By learning to think and communicate in another language, students create new possibilities in life. The many benefits of multilingual education include:

**Stimulating innovation** by developing the ability to conceptualize situations and formulate approaches in different ways, recognize patterns more effectively, and experiment more readily.

**Enhancing social skills** by strengthening empathy and experiencing a diversity of ideas, cultural norms, situations, and behaviors.

**Strengthening confidence and problem-solving skills** by challenging students to reach beyond the comfort of their native language, learn from mistakes, and overcome obstacles.

**Appreciating diversity**, by seeing the world through different lenses and recognizing that there are many equally valid perspectives

## Where We Are

We are centrally located in the City of Emeryville. Our students come to us from East Bay cities such as Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda, Walnut Creek, and Orinda. We are only fifteen minutes from San Francisco by train, and Emeryville's Emery Go-Round bus system provides free shuttle service to and from the MacArthur BART station.



## Learn More

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other characteristic protected under applicable federal or state law, to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at EBGIS and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national or ethnic origin, or religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal or state law, in administering its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.