

# TYPES OF CURRICULA IN *Dubai*

## NATIONAL (ENGLISH) CURRICULUM

The curriculum followed by schools in England and Wales by students ages 5 to 16. The *National Curriculum* is organised into blocks of years called “key stages”.

There are 4 key stages as well as an *Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)*. The EYFS covers education for children before they reach the age of 5 (compulsory school age).

KEY STAGES				
 1	Ages 5-6 <b>Year 1</b>	Ages 6-7 <b>Year 2</b>		
 2	Ages 7-8 <b>Year 3</b>	Ages 8-9 <b>Year 4</b>	Ages 9-10 <b>Year 5</b>	Ages 10-11 <b>Year 6</b>
 3	Ages 11-12 <b>Year 7</b>	Ages 12-13 <b>Year 8</b>	Ages 13-14 <b>Year 9</b>	
 4	Ages 14-15 <b>Year 10</b>	Ages 15-16 <b>Year 11</b>		

For each National Curriculum subject, there is a program of study with all students studying a common core of subjects consisting of *English, Mathematics, Science* and *Core PE*.

At the end of **Key Stage 4**: *GCSEs* (General Certificate of Secondary Education) and/or equivalent qualifications. For example, *IGCSE* (International General Certificate of Secondary Education).

## WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GCSE AND IGCSE?

### GCSE

A wide range of subjects and each student chooses several subjects (usually up to 9) to study. Most are expected to take *Mathematics, English, Modern Foreign Language* and *Science*.

### IGCSE

The IGCSE curriculum allows teaching to be placed in a localised context, making it relevant in different regions. It is also suitable for students whose first language may not be English and this is acknowledged throughout the examination progress.

## CAN THEY STUDY FOR AN A LEVEL?

Upon completing **Key Stage 4**, depending on grades achieved, students can move on to study for two more years.

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAM (PYP):



STUDENTS AGES

3 TO 11

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- An integrated curriculum enabling students to learn through guided exploration and structured inquiry
- The emphasis is on the education of the child *emotionally, physically and intellectually*

### MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAM (MYP):



STUDENTS AGES

11 TO 16

### DIPLOMA PROGRAM:



STUDENTS AGES

16 TO 18

### THE AMERICAN CURRICULUM



Elementary	(K-grade 6)
Middle School	(grades 7-8)
High School	(grades 9-12)

On reaching grades 11 and 12 students follow *Advanced Placement Courses (AP)*

### THE FRENCH CURRICULUM



École Primaire	(ages 3-5 years)
École Élémentaire	(ages 6-10 years)
Collège	(ages 11-15 years)
Lycée	(ages 15-18 years)



### AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM

The *Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)* program allows children to pursue the *Queensland Senior School* curriculum moderated by the *Queensland Studies Authority (QSA)*.



### INDIAN CURRICULUM

*CBSE – Central Board of Secondary Education* is the governing body for a syllabus with exams at the end of year 10 and year 12 in Indian curriculum schools.



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