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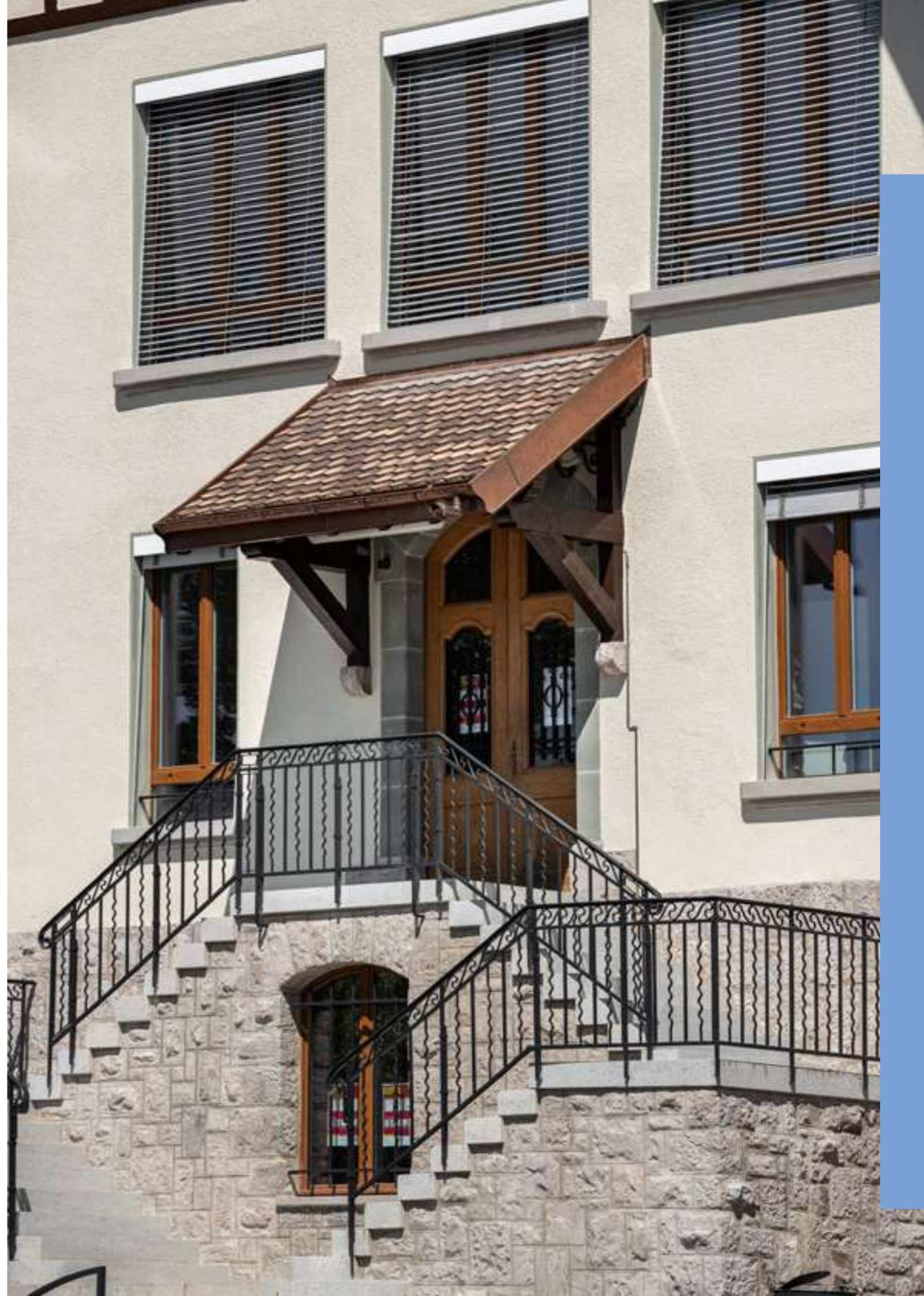
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ENSR International School is a leading private educational establishment in French-speaking Switzerland, whose mission is to equip young people with the skills and knowledge they need to take their place in an ever-changing society and world.

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For over 115 years, ENSR International School has been preparing young people for their future. We welcome students from the ages of 2½ to 18, from kindergarten to the Swiss Maturity and International Baccalaureate exams.

A century-long tradition of not-for-profit education

Situated in Lausanne, near the Swiss Alps and on the edge of Lake Léman, ENSR International School enjoys an exceptional position right in the heart of Europe. Welcoming around 550 students from different backgrounds, of whom around 50 are boarders, the school has maintained and preserved a tradition which is focused on the needs of each individual student.

The reputation of ENSR International School has been built over more than a century thanks to the dynamism of its educational offering and the quality of its environment. Since its founding by Edouard Vittoz in 1906, ENSR International School has been characterised by an innovative pedagogical approach which aims to “better prepare young people for life, by offering them a less artificial existence - which does not restrict their life to books and study.”



**ENSR
INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL**



Diversity and multilingualism

At the crossroad for numerous nationalities, ENSR International School promotes a spirit of openness and multicultural exchange. To support this, there is a focus on multilingualism. English is introduced from kindergarten, and high school students can opt for a Bilingual Diploma in English and French, giving access to Swiss and international universities. German is introduced from Grade 4, Spanish and Latin are offered from Grade 7 onwards. Italian and Spanish can be added to the programme. For non French or English native speakers, courses in French or English as a Foreign Language are offered, to enable their integration into school life.

A tailored approach to education

Rather than offering merely an accumulation of knowledge, the School aims to foster a love of learning and awaken student curiosity. Our main objective is to provide students with a solid educational grounding to enable them to thrive in a constantly evolving world and thus to be ready to take on the future with confidence. With over a century of experience of innovative teaching, our skilled and experienced teaching staff enable each learner to follow a course of study which is tailored to their own needs and interests.

Holistic development of the learner

A quality education requires each student to develop self-confidence and a respectful understanding of others. Numerous extracurricular activities, be they sporting, cultural or artistic, promote the enrichment of academic ability and social aptitudes, as well as critical thinking and creativity.



From pre-school through to pre-university education, ENSR accompanies students through the various stages of their discoveries and development.

PROGRAMMES



Kindergarten

AGES 2½-6

Kindergarten begins with the foundations and opens up the world to students progressively. Our programmes have been inspired by the French system. Parents can also opt for the Montessori route. Both programmes offer exposure to English.

Primary School

AGES 6-9

The Primary years are dedicated to the learning and mastery of the fundamentals. The pursuit of English as a second language continues and German is also introduced as a third language from Grade 4 onwards. Numerous extracurricular sporting and artistic activities are offered, and students are introduced to education technology tools.

Middle School (Collège)

AGES 10-13

Secondary students study 10 subjects in addition to participating in a broad extracurricular programme which helps provide a solid foundation. A particular focus is on the improvement of English or French as a second language, with either German or Spanish as a third. Advanced proficiency in education technology and multimedia tools complements the educational experience.

High School (Gymnase)

AGES 14-18

Numerous subjects are taught in preparation for the Swiss Maturity or International Baccalaureate, including several foreign languages. Specific programmes of study are tailored to these final exams, as well as the encouragement of critical thinking which is necessary for a successful university career.



KINDERGARTEN AND MONTESSORI

Children discover their world with energy and curiosity between the ages of 2½ and 6. A clear framework is necessary but this needs to be sufficiently flexible to allow them to develop their own autonomy.

A personalised education

ENSR International School welcomes children from age 2½. In recognition of the varying schedules and circumstances of families, we offer two different pathways and a variety of additional activities which complement academics. A differentiated curriculum takes the personality and profile of each student into account. The quality of the educational experience comes out of the use of appropriate strategies by motivated and experienced teachers.

Two pathways

Our traditional pathway provides discovery of fundamental, elementary knowledge, with progressive socialisation and play: language, writing discovery, mathematics, drawing, arts and crafts, learning about the environment, and the development of psychomotor skills.

The specific methodology of the Montessori pathway (from age 2½ to the end of pre-primary) fosters autonomy, self-discipline and psychomotor skills, while respecting the personality and characteristics of each child.

Daycare

From 7.30am to 8.45am each morning, children can begin their day in the comforting environment of the ENSR Daycare. During certain weeks of the school holidays, children have the opportunity to participate in 'Learn and Play' workshops, offering parents a worthwhile option for supervised childcare.

Outdoor Learning and Sustainability

Our programmes afford students the opportunity to engage deeply with nature, which constitutes an integral aspect of their learning environment. Through these initiatives, students learn to cultivate a profound respect for and commitment to nurturing the natural world, contributing to the pursuit of a more sustainable and promising future.



ENSR Features

- ◆ Traditional or Montessori pathways
- ◆ Full-day care (or mornings for Kindergarten)
- ◆ Awareness and exploration of English
- ◆ Outdoor Learning and Sustainability



PRIMARY SCHOOL (PRIMAIRE)

Between the ages of 6 and 9, children are excited about what they have learnt about the world. They want to understand and experiment with everything. They are confident about school and what lies ahead.

A varied curriculum

Our dynamic and varied Primary programme provides the opportunity for learning in all subjects. By stimulating curiosity and a love of learning, we are able to promote intellectual, creative and physical development. Thanks to a quality educational programme, children will progressively master oral and written language skills as well as mathematics. The study of English as a second language continues and German is introduced as a third language from Grade 4 onwards.

Monitoring and reporting

Progress reports in the form of updates are prepared for each student every two months. This is in addition to the School Reports which are published each semester. At the beginning of the school year, a parent-teacher evening allows dialogue and links to be established between parents and teaching staff.

Additional activities

The idea of offering additional activities perfectly reflects the philosophy of ENSR International School and complements academic life well. Each child has the option to shine by being immersed in an exciting variety of artistic, linguistic, manual and sporting pursuits, at lunchtime and at the end of the school day.

ENSR Features

- ◆ Personal attention and frequent progress reports
- ◆ English classes in small groups
- ◆ Introduction to German language
- ◆ Artistic and sporting activities
- ◆ Introduction to multimedia and education technology





MIDDLE SCHOOL (COLLEGE)

Between 10 and 13, young people start to assert their individuality, challenge the ideas and assumptions they have and explore the world of knowledge. They start to develop meaningful friendships and relationships, and live life with boundless energy.

Objectives

With care and attention to personal wellbeing and development, ENSR International School provides a highquality curriculum to enrich students as they make the important transition from childhood to adolescence. The teaching staff motivate students towards success, something which is a source of personal pride and self-confidence.

Foreign languages

Students will pursue the study of German or Spanish at this level. They also deepen and improve their knowledge of English or French, depending on the programme they follow. They will acquire a rich and varied vocabulary, largely due to the teaching of certain subjects in either English or French.

Monitoring and reporting

The teaching staff provide very careful monitoring and evaluation. Progress reports are created every 6 weeks and teachers maintain close contact with parents. Students benefit from periods of directed study, during which they work in small class sizes under the supervision of a teacher. Teachers at ENSR International School take into account individual learning needs when designing programmes of study and when evaluating student progress.

ENSR Features

- ◆ A solid educational foundation
- ◆ Increased English or French
- ◆ Directed study with small class sizes
- ◆ Individual attention and monitoring
- ◆ Varied extracurricular offering





HIGH SCHOOL (GYMNASSE)

Between the ages of 14 and 18, high school students begin to assert their confidence, and are full of ideas as they sharpen their thoughts and prepare to become adults. Whether they be scientists or poets, these attributes will lead them forward in the future, after having completed their examinations.

A well-balanced programme

All high school students follow a common programme of two years, with 13 different subject offerings. The academic pursuit of 3 or even 4 languages is strongly encouraged at this level. New students entering the High School will be invited to an interview with the relevant Academic Tutor, the purpose of which is to review previous school transcripts and reports.

Monitoring, reporting and exam preparation

Students with individual learning needs benefit from specific evaluation and support in the form of private classes. Three internal checkpoints per year allow students to prepare for taking their exams. Furthermore, ENSR International School offers intensive revision courses just before the final Swiss Maturity and IB examinations, as well as preparation for Cambridge, DELF and Goethe diplomas.

University guidance counselling

This service aims to provide advice and support for those wishing to pursue higher education in universities in Switzerland and abroad. The School regularly invites the graduating class to information meetings in different universities around the region. They thus have the opportunity to speak to admissions tutors when they conduct information briefings at the School. This service is available to advise on individual university applications.

ENSR Features

- ◆ Choice of Swiss Maturity or International Baccalaureate
- ◆ A multilingual programme
- ◆ Optimal preparation for exams and for university life
- ◆ Support for individual learning needs
- ◆ Careers and University application guidance service





DIPLOMAS

ENSR International School offers students the option of following the prestigious Swiss Maturity or International Baccalaureate Diploma programmes, both of which allow admission to universities around the world.

International Baccalaureate (IB)

The IB is a two-year programme which can be studied in English or in French. It consists of 6 subjects: 3 at Higher Level, 3 at Standard Level. In addition, there is a Theory of Knowledge component and an Extended Essay. CAS activities (Creativity, Action, Service) complement the offering.

Swiss Maturity

This programme consists of 13 subjects, of which there is 1 specific option, 1 complementary option and a dissertation. The Swiss Maturity allows access to all universities in the world, including Swiss polytechnics, which are of international repute.

Language Certificates and Diplomas

English:

- Cambridge Young Learners
- Test Cambridge First Certificate
- Cambridge Advanced Certificate
- Cambridge Proficiency
- TOEFL

French - DELF – French as a foreign language

Spanish - Instituto Cervantes

German - Goethe-Institut

Italian - Istituto Dante Alighieri

ENSR Features

- ◆ Choice between Swiss Maturity and IB
- ◆ Intensive preparation with a high success rate in these programmes
- ◆ Access to world-leading universities





THE ENGLISH PROGRAMME

The English Programme at ENSR International School allows students who wish to follow an anglophone education to develop a distinguished level of English.

The Programme in English

From the age of 14 years onwards, students can pursue an anglophone education at ENSR International School. This programme is tailored to the age levels and needs of each class. It continues through to the completion of the IB Diploma, opening doors to university studies.

ENSR and the International Baccalaureate

In 1971, ENSR International School became the second school in the world to receive accreditation for the IBDP programme. We are proud of having believed in the value of this programme from its early days – a programme whose success is now world renowned.

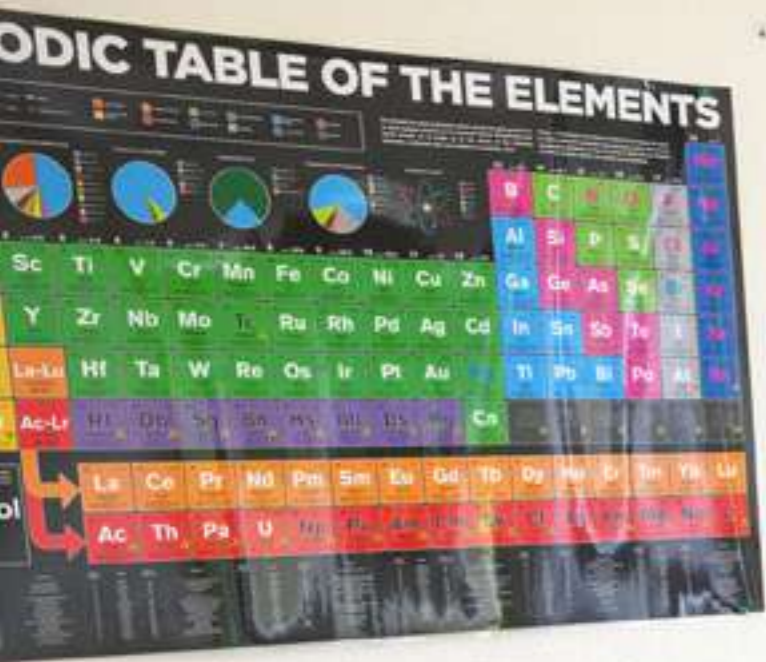
The advantages of an IB education

IB students tend to be ahead of others, thanks to the nature of a programme which encourages autonomous thinking, critical thinking, mental agility and perseverance, all of which prepares them exceptionally well for their future. Thanks to their immersion in a second language, students are more sensitive to other cultures, allowing them to communicate and interact more effectively in a globalised world.

ENSR Features

- ◆ English as principle language of instruction
- ◆ Selected courses and instruction in French
- ◆ A wide selection of subjects and after-school activities
- ◆ A third language option is available





For young people who are far from their family, it is essential to find their footing in a healthy environment, which is both safe and stimulating. ENSR offers a nurturing environment and strives to make everyone feel at home.

THE BOARDING SCHOOL

A warm and welcoming atmosphere

The ENSR International School Boarding Section offers a privileged, comfortable and family-like way of life. It allows each individual to flourish in a safe environment where personal well-being is a priority. Situated in a historic building, students live in large, bright rooms, available as individual or double rooms.

Monitoring, supervision and wellbeing

Students work and live on a daily basis in small cohorts of the same age, under the attentive and caring eye of the Boarding staff. These staff are a vital point of contact between parents, teaching staff, and the student, whose progress and diligent ongoing evaluation is a central part of the ENSR philosophy.

Leisure time

A wide array of cultural, recreational and sporting activities is available to boarding students. Sport holds a privileged place in the lives of each boarder. Small group classes, led by a qualified instructor, offer personalised coaching opportunities. Weekends allow for time to discover Switzerland, its culture and its curiosities. Students can also look forward to wonderful ski days, trips, exciting excursions and unforgettable snow camps in winter, with windsurfing in summer.

ENSR Features

- ◆ A privileged and safe environment
- ◆ Available to students aged 12 and above
- ◆ Weeks of 5 or 7 days
- ◆ Personalised, academic supervision
- ◆ Ongoing and direct communication link with parents
- ◆ Counselling and wellbeing care for each student





SERVICES AND AMENITIES

ENSR International School offers a wide range of supplementary services which enable members of the community to function efficiently and thrive.

School Buses

A school bus service operates every day of the week, morning and evening, bringing students from their home to the School. The coverage area is within a large perimeter of the Greater Lausanne area.

Restaurant

There is a clear link between good, healthy food and effective learning. Our Restaurant offers a range of delicious and varied menus. As a testament to the quality of the ingredients and the service, our Restaurant has won the coveted "Fourchette Verte" award.

Daycare, extended care, study sessions

From the age of 2½ and up to the end of Primary, young students can attend early morning daycare from 7.30am until the beginning of classes. After the school day ends, we provide extended care and supervision from 4pm until 6.30pm. During the vacations, holiday workshops and activities provide a daycare service, which help preserve the routine to which students have become accustomed. The School offers study sessions after classes, at specified times and days.



ENSR Features

- ◆ School bus service available
- ◆ Fourchette Verte award for the restaurant
- ◆ Daycare and Extended Care from 7.30am until 6.30pm



Ever mindful of the need for personal development, ENSR International School offers a range of sporting, recreational and cultural activities.

ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular activities

Since 1948, ENSR International School has organised its traditional Annual Games (Grand Jeu) in the forest. Activities take place throughout the entire day in the form of sporting competitions and intellectual challenges which put the team spirit and observational powers of each student to the test. During the inter-school competitions, ADISR, students participate in football and basketball tournaments, athletics, ski runs, etc. organised throughout the year. During football nights and unihockey events, parents are invited to come and form teams to challenge their children.

Additional activities

Students also have the choice of a wide array of theatrical, artistic, technical and sporting activities. The School has several custom spaces for music lessons. At the end of the school year, musicians are invited to present their work in a recital.

Camps and Excursions

ENSR International School offers a number of sporting, cultural and recreational outings, which allow our students to create memories and enjoy being out of school. During the school holidays, 3 camps take place:

- ✓ A summer camp in the Swiss mountains, which allows participants to improve their English and French
- ✓ A windsurf camp in summer
- ✓ A ski camp in winter

ENSR Features

- ◆ Numerous activities during free time
- ◆ A diverse range of outings, visits to exhibitions, laboratories, theatres
- ◆ The Annual Games, with activities and sporting challenges
- ◆ Music and Art workshops
- ◆ Technology and Multimedia workshops
- ◆ Summer and Winter Camps





CAMPUS

The ENSR International School campus is a place of learning, enjoyable physical activities and personal discovery.

Facilities

The ENSR campus has the necessary facilities to encourage and ensure the development and well-being of students: sports hall, dance studio, tennis court, multi-purpose sports terrain, outdoors sports grounds, climbing wall, ping-pong tables, table football, multimedia rooms, library, creative ateliers, Chemistry and Biology laboratories, and more.



ENSR Features

- ◆ Well-equipped classrooms and auditorium
- ◆ Science laboratories
- ◆ Music, Art and Creative Spaces

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Environment

Located on the edge of Lake Geneva, Lausanne enjoys a privileged position between lake and mountains. It is a city of culture and history. Lausanne is also the Olympic Capital of the world. Renowned for its multiculturalism and hospitality, it is the ideal city for students from all over the world to study.

Accessibility

60km from Geneva International Airport, 200km from Zurich and Basel, ENSR International School is easily reachable by car or by train.

LOCATION



THE ENSR COMMUNITY

ENSR International School owes its reputation to the strong legacy of support which it enjoys, from parents of current students and the Alumni Association.

Organisational Structure

ENSR is divided into sections, each one overseen by a Dean. The Board of Directors has traditionally been made up of a majority of former students. This tradition dates back over a century.

ENSR enjoys the support and participation of two associations:

- ✓ The Alumni Association
- ✓ The Parent Association (APE)

The Alumni Association

Founded in 1909, the Alumni Association is an active network of former students of ENSR International School, whose presence reaches across the entire world, and includes an enormous range of different professions. Faithful to its original mission, the Alumni Association participates vigorously in the life of the School and provides continuity between the different generations of 'Nouvelliens'.

www.ensranciens.ch

Parent Association (APE)

The APE was founded to encourage and facilitate communication and dialogue between parents, administration and the teaching staff. Its members are involved in different school extracurricular events, and organise themed events on educational issues as well as as enjoyable leisure activities, all year round.

www.ape-ensr.ch



ENSR Features

- ◆ A student support system which goes beyond the teaching staff
- ◆ A useful network for current students to help with studies and later professional life

OUR VALUES



Holistic development of students both academically and personally



The development of a sense of **responsibility** and mutual respect



A sense of belonging to the **community**



A spirit of openness to **internationalism** and to different cultures



A **readiness to adapt** to the individual needs of students



Inclusion of students with individual learning needs



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