

Title: Mission and philosophy

Approval by: The Board

This document contains guiding statements which articulate what we do at IST and what we aspire to become, including the mission and vision of the school. The purpose of this document therefore is to inspire everybody who belongs to the wider IST learning community towards further learning but also to guide decision making and planning at every level. The document will be reviewed every five years by the board as part of the five-year strategic plan model used by the school.

Note: The text below is repeated in two other Quality Documents (QD 2.1 Staff handbook and QD 3.5 Parent guide as **IST's Guiding Statements**). Any amendment therefore needs to be repeated in those documents.

IST's mission is to develop knowledge and understanding of subjects, global issues, people, countries, and cultures utilising the International Baccalaureate philosophy and programmes of learning.

IST's vision is learning to succeed and thrive in life.

Our Core Goal is to provide quality student learning and wellbeing.

Our Core Values are Respect, Responsibility, Reliability and Resilience.

Our Core Learning Outcomes

IST learners will:

- develop the necessary skills, knowledge, attitudes and understanding in order to succeed as life-long learners
- be internationally-minded and embody the attributes of the learner profile
- aim to achieve high standards in all areas
- be active, independent and resilient
- be a valued, contributing member of our community
- be given the opportunity, support and encouragement to achieve their full potential, academically and socially