



Inspiring Learning
for bright futures





Welcome

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the International School Delft (ISD), part of the Laurentius Stichting. ISD Primary School will serve as a hub school for the international community based in and around Delft. It is uniquely located to collaborate with TU Delft (Delft Technical University) who will be strategic partners in the school development.

We aspire to bring together a truly international community in a learning environment that fosters inquiry, a love of learning and a celebration of similarity and difference.

Our school will strive to develop the warmth and nurture of a family school where values in education are as important as knowledge and skills.

You are warmly welcomed to visit us to come and see ISD for yourself.

Best wishes,

*Joke Reijman
Chairman of the Board of the Laurentius
Stichting*



Why choose ISD?

ISD offers children a unique opportunity to experience or continue learning within an international education environment. ISD students come from a diverse range of nationalities, cultures and backgrounds and are united by a common goal that their time at ISD will inspire them to learn for bright futures. The international teaching staff will mirror the lives and contexts of the children in the school, coming from a diverse range of international contexts. ISD places importance in understanding the needs of internationally mobile families so time is taken to welcome children before they start school and to ensure they have a smooth introduction. ISD will offer continuous provision from 0-12 years, working with international childcare centre True Colors Delft. ISD will also have a close relationship with TU Delft who supports student learning in the discipline of science and technology and in the transdisciplinary themes of research, breakthroughs and discoveries. Balancing this expertise with the artistic, historic and royal connections within Delft, ISD will strive to offer the richness of the local context with the best practices of international education.



Introducing the school

The school is situated near to TU Delft in a purpose built primary school with generous space and modern facilities. The use of up-to-date information technology and digital capability will be central to facilitating learning in the school. Smart board and tablet-based technology is used so that students are being prepared for the best possible start in life. ISD will become the heart of Delft's international community; the meeting point to unite international families, providing a support hub for globally mobile families residing in Delft. Naturally, celebrating diversity, ISD is open to all students of all faiths, beliefs and cultures.

Mission and Vision

ISD is committed to developing young people who demonstrate curiosity, responsibility and optimism in their daily lives. ISD will help to develop ethical students who learn how to seek solutions, be innovative and make a difference. ISD school community will aspire to help children have bright futures and enjoy learning both locally and globally. Teachers, students and parents will strive to share the common goals of mutual understanding, a celebration of difference and similarity and a lifelong love of learning.

Values

ISD incorporates the values of the Laurentius Stichting. The core values are touchstones for the actions we take and the ethos we create.

- **authenticity**
- **growth**
- **responsibility**
- **freedom**
- **openness**
- **unity**





Pre-school and after school care

International childcare centre True Colors Delft works closely with ISD staff to ensure that there is a continuous learning provision from 0-12 years. Provision for after school care is also available should this be requested.

The Delft Region

The region in and around Delft has a unique blend and appreciation of science, art, culture, history and technology. Delft is the home of the respected research university TU Delft, an internationally acclaimed institution synonymous with discovery and breakthroughs. The Dutch master, Johannes Vermeer made Delft his home and the subject of many of his famous paintings. Delft is significant in being the final resting place for the Dutch Royal family and is held in high regard and respected for such historic importance. These characteristics will be mirrored in the value ISD gives to a broad and rich education where students show respect for history and heritage while preparing themselves for bright futures.

International Education

International Education has been strongly supported in the Netherlands for many years and it is significant that the Dutch Government recognises its strategic importance in allowing for the provision of subsidized high quality international education. ISD will be part of the Dutch International Schools group and will follow the quality assurance measure of the Dutch Ministry of Education.

The Curriculum

ISD offers the very best of international programmes for the primary phase available worldwide. Children will learn in a transdisciplinary way where all aspects of the curriculum are valued and nurtured. They will see the links between subject disciplines and understand their place in their family, their locality, their home country and the wider world.



Teaching and Learning

ISD employs highly qualified teachers and leaders who are experienced in international education, serving globally mobile families.



Language

ISD places high importance on the teaching of multiple languages. Children at ISD will learn through the medium of English as well as having Dutch language lessons. The significance of mother tongue languages is also emphasized and encouraged.



The location and facilities

The purpose built primary school offers students generous space and a rich learning environment. The school has an outdoor play area and indoor sports hall. The classrooms are equipped with new resources which are designed to promote an international education.



Partnerships

True Colors Delft (Stichting Rijswijkse Kinderopvang)
TU Delft
Municipality of Delft
Municipality of Rijswijk
A community of Dutch International Schools (DIPS)







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