



### Our Campus

Our new state-of-the-art campus, located in the Pancharevo region in Sofia, provides students and staff with a space which is both convenient and inspiring.

AAS boasts 7 hectares of land, 70 % of which are green areas. The three-story building of the school has a unique layout, which successfully combines exceptional design with functionality. Our facilities are energy efficient with a full water cycle and maximum natural daylight in all classrooms.

Facility benefits:

- Modern biology and chemistry labs and 40 spacious well equipped classrooms
- A 300 sq m. library with over 14 000 volumes, utilizing Follett and Ebsco online library catalogues;
- A rich variety of indoor and outdoor sport facilities including a standard size soccer field, basketball courts, 2 tennis courts, a 600 sq m gym and a fitness room;
- 2 fully equipped ICT labs; classroom projectors and smartboards; sufficient number of personal digital devices (digital cameras);
- 4 fully equipped Art and Music rooms;
- A performance stage and a black Box Theatre for Drama classes;
- In August 2012, AAS will open its new Middle and High school building. The new facility will be the first school certified by LEED standards for sustainable buildings in Central and Eastern Europe.



### History and Purpose of the Anglo-American School

The Anglo-American School of Sofia (AAS) was established in 1967 to meet the educational needs of children from the United States and the United Kingdom. The Charter permits the school to enroll children from other diplomatic missions and from the international community in Sofia. AAS also accepts Bulgarian students as space allows.

The school welcomes more than 380 students from over forty countries in pre-school through grade twelve. The Anglo-American School is a private, secular school without affiliations to any religious denominations, political party or interest group. The school is governed by a nine member Board of Directors, appointed by the US and UK Embassies.

In September 2006, the school moved to a new purpose-built 7 hectare campus near Sofia with stunning views of Mt. Vitosha.

In January 2009, AAS was awarded "Best Social Policy by a Small and Medium Enterprise" award by the Bulgarian Business Leaders Forum.

All diploma candidates from our senior classes of 2010 and 2011 were awarded IB Diploma. The eight Bulgarian scholars among them were accepted in different USA and European Universities.

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# Scholarship Campaign Talented Bulgarian Students 2012



**Anglo-American School  
of Sofia**

www.aas-sofia.org

For a sixth consecutive year the Anglo-American School of Sofia invites academically talented Bulgarian students to apply for full scholarships. The scholarship amounts to Euro 19 000 yearly and covers tuition fees for the scholar's entire course of studies (3, 4 or 5 years).



### Eligibility

Eligible Scholarship candidates should be graduating from Grade 7, 8, 9 or 10 this current school year.

### How to Apply

Applications can be submitted personally at the Anglo-American School (detailed information on how you can reach the school can be found on our website) or couriered to the following address:

*Scholarship Campaign 2011  
Anglo-American School of Sofia  
P.O. Box 31, Sofia 1784*

If you would like to submit electronically, please contact Maria Mihailova at tel. 02 923 8822 for further directions.

### Deadlines

Documents must be submitted by March 15, 2012.

After documents are reviewed eligible candidates will be invited to take written examinations in English and Mathematics, followed by an interview with school representatives.

### Required Documents



1. Scholarship Application Form (from the AAS website [www.aas-sofia.org](http://www.aas-sofia.org))
2. Medical Examination Form (from the AAS website)
3. A letter of intent from the parents (in English)

4. Official statement from each of the parents' current employers with the yearly gross/net income OR Yearly Tax Statement for the self-employed parents

5. Grade transcripts for the last two years of the applicant's studies. If the transcripts are in Bulgarian please translate into English (from a certified translation agency)

6. Two Confidential Reference Forms: one from Math or Science teacher and one from Humanities teacher. These forms should be submitted in sealed envelopes. (templates available on the AAS website)

7. An essay in English, written by the applicant, describing why the applicant wants to attend AAS (on page 5 of the Scholarship Application form)

8. Copy of the applicant's passport or birth certificate. Copy of the father's and mother's passports /lichna karta/.

### Important Dates of the Scholarship Campaign 2012

**Monday, December 5, 2011:**  
Scholarship Campaign begins

**December 5- March 15, 2012:**  
Submission of Scholarship Applications and all required documents.

**Wednesday, January 18, 2012:**  
First Information Meeting for interested candidates (at the Library of the British Council, at 7:00 pm)

**Thursday, February 16, 2012, 6:30 pm:**  
Second Information Meeting at AAS  
Due to security reasons, guests must contact 923 88 10 or 923 8811 to R.S.V.P. for campus visit.

**Friday, March 23, 2012:**  
Eligible candidates notified of testing invitation.

**Saturday, April 21, 2012:**  
Testing Date English and Math written exams

**Friday, April 27, 2012:**  
All applicants will be notified of interview invitations.

**Wednesday, May 2 & Friday, May 4:**  
Interviews.

**Wednesday, May 16, 2012:**  
Decisions announced to candidates.

**Saturday, June 9, 2012:**  
New Scholarships Awarded

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

### What expenses does the Scholarship cover?

The Scholarship covers all tuition costs of almost 19,000 Euro per year for the course of studies of the scholar, all necessary textbooks, all travel costs for in country and up to three international trips per year for school-sponsored events and activities. It does NOT cover daily transportation to and from school, cafeteria meals, money for meals on school trips, or non-school related expenses.



### Do we need to pay any extra fees?

The scholar's parents are responsible for a 1,022.58 Euro payment per year which is to be used for funding co-curricular activities such as sports trips, retreats, camps, and international academic trips. Bus and cafeteria services are available for an additional fee to all scholarship students.

### What diploma do the students graduating from AAS get?

The Anglo-American School DOES NOT operate under the authority of the Bulgarian Ministry of Education and DOES NOT follow the Bulgarian national curriculum. Please bear in mind that, due to curriculum differences, once admitted to AAS, academic transfer back to a Bulgarian school will be very difficult. Scholars are expected to maintain high academic scores and pass the IB examinations. They will then obtain an internationally recognized IB (International Baccalaureate) Diploma, which allows them to continue their education in some of the most prestigious universities and colleges worldwide.

While this may change in the future, the AAS diploma is currently NOT recognized by the Bulgarian Ministry of Education, so graduates may have difficulty gaining acceptance to universities in Bulgaria. Studying at the Anglo-American School is appropriate for Bulgarian students who intend to continue their studies abroad.

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