



The Awty International School Houston

Overview

The Awty International School is the premier international school in Houston, Texas, serving students from PK3 to 12th grade. Awty offers students a rigorous path to graduating with either the **International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma** or the **French Baccalauréat (FB) Diploma**. Awty is the only school in Houston to be fully accredited by the French Ministry of Education. In addition to a challenging curriculum, Awty provides students with a kind and friendly environment, in which diverse cultures, nationalities, and languages are celebrated. Social-emotional learning and character development are highly emphasized, empowering students with resilience, empathy, and problem-solving skills as they grow to become responsible world citizens.

Accreditations

The Awty International School is the only school in Houston to be fully accredited by the French Ministry of Education. The school also is accredited by the Council of International Schools, the Independent Schools Association of the Southwest, and the International Baccalaureate.

Demographics/Student Profile (based on 2021-2022 enrollment)

Total Students; 1,754

By division

- 416 Early Learning (PK3- 1st grade)
- 458 Lower School (2nd-5th grade)
- 346 Middle School (6th-8th grade)
- 534 Upper School (9th-12th grade)

Class size

- Average 15-18 students
- Maximum class size is 22 students

Ethnicity

- 59% identify as African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian/South East Asian, Middle Eastern, Native American, or Multiracial

History

Kathleen “Kay” Awty founded The Awty School —a pre-school with a focus on international cultures and languages — in 1956. In 1975, an Upper School was incorporated, and by 1984, Awty had merged with the French School of Houston to become The Awty International School.

Language program

Language programs are a cornerstone of the Awty curriculum, and every student is required to take courses in a second language. More than half of Awty students are bilingual or plurilingual. As you walk the halls, you may hear students and teachers conversing in French, Spanish, Arabic, Mandarin, Dutch, German, or any other of the more than 48 languages spoken by members of the Awty community.

Leadership

- Lisa Darling, Head of School (since 2013)
- Pierre Puget, Proviseur

[Visit our website](#) for leadership bios and a list of senior administrators and members of the board of directors.