



Transitional Student Program

► What is the Transitional Student Program?

Well, that's simple. This is a program from January through the end of our school year where local families can enroll their children as transitional students in IAA for a smaller monthly fee than the usual tuition.



► What is a transitional student?

A transitional student is a student from a local school who is interested in enrolling in IAA, but has difficulties in doing so for reasons such as our school calendar or the child is not strong enough in English. Additionally, students who do not quite meet our admission requirements will be considered over this transitional period so that the student will have an opportunity to understand the level of academic challenges which they will encounter. This transitional period will also allow the school to assess the potential of the student's success here at IAA.

A transitional student is a "guest" in our school. They will attend classes like all of our regular students (and with our students), will do the class work, homework and take tests and quizzes like any normal student. The only difference is that the transitional student has completed their grade level school year in a local school and thus they have already earned the passing grades to be promoted to the next grade level in IAA next August.

► What are the advantages to the Transitional Student Program?

- Immersion is by far the most efficient way to learn English. All of our classes are taught in English and a transitional student could receive up to 18 weeks (that's one half of our school year!) of English immersion by attending our classes. As a result of this intensive English immersion, they'll enjoy higher probabilities of passing our English requirements when they enroll as a regular student next August.
- Transitional students will have the chance to review the last one third of the academic program taught at IAA in the grade levels that they already completed at their local school (reinforcement of pre-existing knowledge at our level of excellence). As a result, they should be able to enter school in August as a regular student with a good background of the knowledge taught by us the year before.
- Being a "guest" student removes the negative feeling of having to "repeat" a grade when a local child transfers to IAA. The program facilitates integration due to the fact that they are visiting with students in the grade that they are ahead of due to the fact that they have already completed their school year.
- Moving to a new school can be a frightening experience. By attending classes at IAA as a transitional student, our guests will have time to make adjustments to their new school, its environment, procedures and expectations. After they finish the program, they can enjoy a summer vacation during the months of June and July and then enroll as a regular student in August.
- As regular students next August, middle and high school-aged students will even benefit from already having had our teachers from the previous semester during their time in our transitional student program. Due to already having become familiar with our teachers, there is no time lost in learning our teachers' teaching habits, classroom expectations and manners of communicating with students.

If you have ever considered the **InterAmerican Academy** in the past or present as the best education for your children, and realize it is we who can best prepare their children for university studies, now is the time to act! Now is the time to get on board with **the best academic program in the city** in preparing young minds for their future!