



LE ROSEY

# SCHOOL PROFILE 2018-19



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A uniquely international independent co-educational boarding school, Le Rosey was established in 1880 and provides a multi-lingual, multi-cultural, and dual-campus, environment. Rosey's main campus is in Rolle, twenty miles from Geneva. The alpine winter campus (January-March) in Gstaad is equipped with the same academic facilities as in Rolle.

Le Rosey offers a dual-language curriculum. English and French are the languages of instruction, and all students (whatever their country of origin) choose one of these as their principal educational language. Yet Le Rosey is also a multilingual school with mother-tongue and foreign language classes taught by native-speakers in over twenty languages. As well as most principal European languages, these include Arabic, Japanese, Turkish, Farsi, Korean, Chinese (Putonghua), etc.

All graduating students sit the full IB diploma (in English, French or as a bilingual diploma) or the French *baccalauréat*.

Le Rosey is also committed to holistic educational principles, and students participate in demanding sports, arts and expedition programs.

There is also a flourishing tradition of large-scale humanitarian projects in Mali, Nepal, Ghana, Tajikistan, Romania and locally in Switzerland.

## LE ROSEY IS FULLY ACCREDITED BY:

New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) • The Council of International Schools (CIS) • The International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO, Geneva) • The French Ministry of Education (GESBF / Academy of Grenoble)



## A WORLD STUDENT BODY

- Le Rosey is 100% boarding and welcomes just over 400 students, aged from 8 to 18, from over 60 nations.
- Internationalism is guaranteed by a quota system of no more than 10% from any nation or any one language group (other than English or French).
- In the final two years of high school, approximately 120 students follow the International Baccalaureate two-year Diploma program and 25 the French *Baccalauréat*.
- 30% are English native speakers and nearly all students are bilingual or polyglot.
- Over 10 languages are taught annually as IB “A” Literature mother tongues (over 20 languages at all levels and 25 “A” languages since 2000).
- In the Pre-Bac and Cadet programs (grades 7-10), all non-French-speaking students must study French as well as at least one other academic subject in French.

## CURRICULUM

- Academic programs are rigorous. There are **four stages to the complete Le Rosey Curriculum**, although most students enroll for the third stage in class 3 or 2 (US grades 9 or 10):
  - Juniors:** (US grades 3-6) follow a bilingual curriculum based on French and UK national curricula and the International Primary Curriculum (IPC)
  - Cadets:** Cadets (US grades 7-8) follow a bilingual curriculum based on French and UK curricula and the International Middle Years Curriculum (IMYC)
  - Jeunes Seniors:** Pre-Bac students (US grades 9-10) follow a curriculum in their principal language of instruction with at least one subject in their second language. Pre-bac students study at least 9 academic subjects
  - Seniors:** (grades 11-12) study either the IB diploma or the French bac
- All students follow a demanding sports and expedition program in the afternoon and at weekends.
- The academic year is divided into three terms of fourteen, nine and thirteen weeks.
- **Standardized Tests:** Le Rosey is an SAT, and IELTS test centre, but given differing languages, cultures, scholastic background and ambitions, we do not use standardized tests nor are students exposed or accustomed to multiple-choice testing.

## GRADING AND TRANSCRIPTS

- Academic standards are high. IB and French baccalaureate grades have been rising steadily since 2003. The average IB and French bac score from 2013 to 2017 (using an equivalence table for the bac) is 36 points.
- The transcript combines three marking period grades with internal examination results in December and June to produce three term grades and an end-of-year average. Grades are based on academic achievement only and are graded from 1-7, in accordance with the IB system.
- Internal grading is rigorous, and the internal grade average in IB 1 and t (grades 11 and 12) is about 5.5 out of 7. Recent analysis has confirmed that this correlates extremely closely to Rosey students’ final IB grades (see below).
- As in many European systems, internal grades are not always used as summative records of achievement at the time of grading but, instead, as “mileposts” to set against the level required in the final IB or bac exams
- For students on the French *Baccalauréat* program (senior and junior year), marks are given from 0-20 in accordance with the French Baccalaureate system.
- Le Rosey does not rank students, since they take a wide variety of courses with different combinations of Higher and Standard level.
- In accordance with NACAC's Statement of Practice and Good Principles, Le Rosey reports serious disciplinary infractions to colleges and universities, with particular attention paid to academic malpractice, to issues that could cause harm to individuals or the wider community, as well as to enrollment status.



## IB SCORES AND DISTRIBUTION 2017

Subjects studied in students’ 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> language: 60%

### THE IB AT LE ROSEY

Adopted: 2000

All IB students sit full diploma

Average cohort: 63 students

Average IB French-speaking cohort: 10%

Native English-speakers: 30%

Subjects studied in students’ 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> language: 60%

Average number of mother tongues per year: 12

### COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 2017

	World	Le Rosey
No. of IB candd Diploma	157,000	67
Average Overall grade	30	36
Points obtained (%)		
40-45	10	21
36-39	18	33
30-35	40	33
24-29	31	13

# GRADE DISTRIBUTION FOR CLASS 2019 DURING 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR OF THE IB

6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	
7.0	5.9	4.9	3.9	<3.0

## Group 1 (Language A)

	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	<3.0
	7.0	5.9	4.9	3.9	
IB HL Arabic Literature	1	1	0	0	0
IB HL Bulgarian Literature	0	1	0	0	0
IB HL Chinese Lang. & Lit.	1	0	0	0	0
IB HL Chinese Literature	1	0	0	0	0
IB HL English Lang. & Lit.	5	2	0	0	0
IB HL English Literature	5	5	1	0	0
IB HL English Literature	9	5	0	0	0
IB HL French Literature	4	1	0	0	0
IB HL German Literature	0	2	0	0	0
IB HL Italian Lang. & Lit.	1	0	0	0	0
IB HL Japanese Literature	1	0	0	0	0
IB HL Korean Lang. & Lit.	2	0	0	0	0
IB HL Norwegian Lang. & Lit.	0	1	0	0	0
IB HL Russian Literature	0	2	0	0	0

IB SL Chinese Lang. & Lit.	0	1	0	0	0
IB SL Chinese Literature	2	0	0	0	0
IB SL English Lang. & Lit.	3	3	0	0	0
IB SL English Lang. & Lit.	2	2	1	0	0
IB SL English Literature	8	2	0	0	0
IB SL English Literature	7	4	1	0	0
IB SL French Lang. & Lit.	4	1	0	0	0
IB SL French Literature	3	0	0	0	0
IB SL Japanese Literature	2	1	0	0	0
IB SL Russian Literature	2	1	1	0	0

## Group 2 (Second Language)

IB HL Arabic B	1	2	0	0	0
IB HL Chinese B	1	0	0	0	0
IB HL English B	3	2	1	0	0
IB HL French B	6	2	0	0	0
IB HL German B	2	1	0	0	0
IB HL Japanese B	1	0	0	0	0

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7.0	5.9	4.9	3.9	<3.0

## Group 2 (Second Language)

IB SL Arabic B	0	0	1	0	0
IB SL French ab initio	2	2	0	0	0
IB SL French B	4	2	1	0	0
IB SL French B	4	2	1	0	0
IB SL German B	0	1	0	0	0
IB SL Italian ab initio	0	0	1	0	0
IB SL Italian B	1	0	0	0	0
IB SL Spanish B	2	1	0	0	0

## Group 3 (Individuals & Societies)

IB HL Economics	16	15	8	0	0
IB HL Geography	5	3	2	0	0
IB HL History	4	7	1	0	0
IB HL Politics	3	6	5	3	1
IB SL Economics	2	5	1	1	0
IB SL Geography	2	2	0	0	0
IB SL History	2	4	2	0	0
IB SL Politics	1	0	0	0	0

## Group 4 (Experimental Sciences)

IB HL Biology	7	0	2	0	0
IB HL Chemistry	4	3	1	1	0
IB HL Computer Science	2	0	0	0	0
IB HL Physics	14	0	0	0	0
IB SL Biology	5	0	4	0	0
IB SL Chemistry	3	0	0	0	0
IB SL Computer Science	2	3	1	0	0
IB SL Environmental Systems	16	6	5	1	0
IB SL Physics	2	2	2	1	0

## Group 5 (Mathematics)

IB HL Mathematics	9	8	0	0	0
IB SL Mathematics	11	16	9	0	0
IB SL Mathematical Studies	4	5	4	6	0

## Group 6 (The Arts)

IB HL Visual Arts	5	4	0	0	0
IB HL Theatre	3	3	0	0	0
IB HL Music	1	0	0	0	0
IB SL Visual Arts	1	1	0	0	0

## The *baccalauréat français* at Le Rosey



The French *baccalauréat* is a rigorous, official, externally graded, two-year program and school-leaving exam with a weighted average of subject grades.

Students study at least nine subjects. It is difficult to obtain individual subject grades of 16 or over and even more so to reach an overall average of 16/20. Nor is it unusual to see very low grades in Philosophy and certain literary and Humanities subjects.

- All senior students sit the French bac (average cohort of 10 students) or full diploma of the International Baccalaureate.
- The percentage of native French-speakers sitting the bac varies: in 2011 it was 75%; in 2017 it was 40%.
- Le Rosey offers the three *séries*: Bac ES (Economics), Bac S (demanding Math and Science program) and occasionally Bac L (literary emphasis).
- All *séries* require study of at least nine subjects but programs vary, and grades are weighted differently in final diploma.
- Internal exams are marked by external, French baccalaureate teacher-examiners.
- Internal grades are on average 1.5/20 below those obtained in the final exam.
- The bac result is expressed as a final weighted average of exams out of (an almost impossible) 20 — a grade extraordinarily rare in individual subjects.
- Pass rate at Rosey since 2000: 99% (national: 90%).  
The average score at **Rosey in 2018 was 15.6**. In France the national average is about 12.6.

French Grade	USA*	GPA*	Honors Mention
16-20	A+	4.25	Très bien
15	A+	4.25	
14	A	4.0	Bien
13	A-	3.7	
12	B+	3.3	Assez Bien
11	B	3.0	
10	B-	2.7	Pass
9	C+	2.4	Fail
8	C	2.0	

\* Equivalences provided by Franco-American Commission

## UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES FOR 2008-2018

Matriculations for Class of 2018 in Red

### United States of America

American University, American Academy of Dramatic Arts Art Institute of New York City, **Babson College**, **Bard College**, Barnard College, Bentley University, Boston College, **Boston University**, Bowdoin College, Brandeis University, **Brown University**, **Berklee College of Music**, Bryant University, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Californian Lutheran University, Carnegie Mellon University, Catholic University, Claremont McKenna College, Clemson University, Chapman University, Colby College, Colgate University, Colorado College of Mines, Columbia University, **Cornell University**, Dartmouth College, Drexel University, **Duke University**, Embry-Riddle University, Emerson College, Emmanuel College, Emory University, Fashion Institute of Technology SUNY, Florida Institute of Technology, Fordham University, George Washington University, **Georgetown University**, Georgia Institute of Technology, Johns Hopkins University, Lake Forest College, **Loyola Marymount University**, Lehigh University, Lynn University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Middlebury College, Mt Holyoke College, New York Conservatory of Dramatic Arts, **New York University (including Stern School)**, NYU Poli-Tech, **Northeastern University**, Northwestern University, Occidental College, Olin College of Engineering, Otis College of Art & Design, Pace University, **Parsons School of Design**, Pennsylvania State University, **Pepperdine University**, Pitzer College, Pomona College, Princeton University, Reed College, Rhode Island School of Design, Rice University, Ringling College of Art & Design, Rollins College, Rensselaer Poly (RPI), Saint John's College, Salve Regina University, Sarah Lawrence College, School of Visual Arts, **Southern Methodist University**, Stanford University, Suffolk University, Syracuse University, Texas Christian University, Trinity College, Tufts University, Tulane University, **University of California – Berkeley - Davis - Los Angeles – Santa Barbara - San Diego – Santa Cruz**, University of Chicago, University of Colorado, University of Florida, University of Illinois-Champagne, **University of Miami**, University of Michigan, **University of Pennsylvania (including Wharton)**, University of San Diego, University of San Francisco, **University of Southern California**, University of Richmond, (VA), University of Rochester, University of South Carolina, University of Tampa, University of Texas (Austin), University of Vermont, University of Virginia, **Vanderbilt University**, Vassar College, Wake Forest University, Washington & Lee University, Webster University, Wentworth Institute of Technology, Whitman College, University of Wisconsin, Wesleyan University, WPI, Wheaton College, Yale University.

### Canada

Carleton University, Concordia University, HEC Montreal, University of Guelph, University of British Columbia, University of Toronto, **McGill University**, Queen's University, Quest University, Simon Fraser University, University of Western Ontario, University of Waterloo, York University, University of Ontario Institute of Technology.

### United Kingdom

The Universities of Bath, Birmingham, Bristol, Cambridge (Trinity College), Central St. Martin's College of Art, City University, **Durham**, **Edinburgh**, Exeter, Glasgow, Heriot Watt, **Kent**, Kingston, Loughborough, London College of Communication, London College of Fashion, London Metropolitan, Manchester, Middlesex, Nottingham, Nottingham-Trent, **Reading**, Regent's, Roehampton, Sheffield, Southampton, St Andrews, Stirling, Surrey, **Sussex**, **Warwick**, **Westminster** and York. The University of London: Imperial College, **King's College London**, the London School of Economics (LSE), Royal Holloway, Queen Mary, Goldsmiths, Brunel, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), **University College London**, **University of the Arts**: Chelsea College of Art, the University of Oxford (St. John's College).

### Switzerland

**EPFL**, Universités de Genève, de Lausanne (HEC), de Fribourg, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, **Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne**, Glion Institute of Higher Education, **Webster University** (Geneva). TUM (Munich), Passau (Germany), University of St. Gallen.

### Rest of world

Classe préparatoire pour Sciences Politiques, IPESUP, Universités de Paris I Sorbonne, Paris II Assas, Paris V, **IESEG Paris**, EM Lyon, **ESADE (Barcelona)**, Lyon II, Nice, Aix, Parsons College of Art, EBS, ESEO, IPAG, EU University, Carlos III (Madrid), ICADE (Madrid), **IE Madrid**, **Istituto Marangoni (Italy)**, American University of Rome, Universities of: Bocconi (Milan) John Cabot (Rome), LUISS (Rome), Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium), Beirut (Lebanon), Monterrey Tech. (Mexico). University of Transylvania (Romania), **Waseda (Tokyo)**.