HOURS: Classes 08:20 to 15:45; Offices 08:00 to 16:00.

GOVERNANCE: CAISL is governed by the Fundação Escola Americana de Lisboa (FEAL). Both FEAL and CAISL are not-for-profit.

GRADE LEVELS: Early Childhood three-year-olds through Grade 12.

CURRICULUM: American college preparatory leading to American High School Diploma with option to additionally pursue the IB Diploma in the last two years of High School.

MISSION: CAISL is a student-centered educational community in which we challenge ourselves and each other to do our best and to make positive contributions to our diverse and ever-changing world.

PROFILE OF THE LEARNER:

LICENSES AND ACCREDITATION: Accredited by MSA/CES. Authorized by IB. Supported by NAIS.

CAISL is a member of the following institutions:

FACILITIES: Library Media Center with over 40,000 items, computers in all classrooms and wireless internet access throughout the campus, 1 computer per student in grades 2 through 5 in the classroom environment, one laptop checked out to each student in grades 6 through 12, fully equipped science laboratory classrooms, purpose-built art and music classrooms, state-of-the-art 450-seat theater, full-service cafeteria and snack bar, 1,400m² covered gymnasium, more than 10,000m² of exterior sports fields for basketball, soccer and other sports.

ENGLISH: English is the language of instruction. English for Speakers of other Languages (ESL) support is provided based on individual student needs for no additional fee.

OTHER LANGUAGES: Portuguese Native Language and Portuguese as a Foreign Language offered for all grade levels plus French, Spanish and Chinese starting in Middle School.

STUDENTS: Total of 705 at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year representing 53 nationalities. Among these there are 138 American, 30 from English-speaking countries such as UK, Canada, and South Africa, and 196 Portuguese. 27% of our students have more than one nationality.

FACULTY: In the 2019-2020 school year, there are 92 full-time faculty members, including 35 U.S. citizens, 12 from other English speaking countries such as UK, Canada and Ireland, and 38 host-country nationals. 21% of the non-American citizens were educated in American schools or taught in USA, bringing to 51% the number of “program-carriers”.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS: In 2019 there were 56 graduating seniors: 18% matriculated into American Universities, 41% into British Universities, 14% into Portuguese Universities, and 25% into universities elsewhere in the world, including 16% who matriculated into Dutch Universities. One student took a gap year to follow an internship in a prestigious Art Museum.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OVER TIME:

COLLEGE OFFERS’ SAMPLES:

USA: Columbia, Brown, Duke, NYU, Penn State and Swarthmore; UK: Cambridge, St. Andrews, London School of Economics, Imperial College, Lancaster, Bath and UCL; PT: Instituto Superior Técnico, Universidade Nova de Lisboa and Universidade Católica.