THE SCHOOL
Founded in 1962, ASB is an international, independent, non-profit, co-educational, university preparatory day school which serves the international and Spanish communities in Barcelona from pre-school to grade 12. ASB is accredited by the International Baccalaureate Organization, the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and is authorized by the Spanish and Catalan Ministries of Education. The school has a purpose-built facility located just south of Barcelona.

MISSION
Our mission is to empower pre-school through 12th grade students to become global citizens with the critical thinking skills and the self-confidence to maximize their potential.

ENROLLMENT
There are 913 students from 50 different nationalities enrolled in Pre-K through 12th grade, with 309 in the high school. There are 84 students in the class of 2019, 78 are IBDP candidates.

- North American: 24%
- Spanish: 30%
- Other countries: 46%

FACULTY
The ASB staff includes 114 faculty members (teachers and assistants), 23 support staff and 15 administrators. The approximate composition of faculty by nationality is:

- English speaking countries: 62%
- Spanish: 32%
- Other countries: 6%

More than 80% of our international teachers have advanced degrees.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM
ASB offers a rigorous university preparatory program, taught in English, that prepares students for admission to top universities throughout the world.

Students in grades 9 and 10 access a curriculum which follows Common Core (English, Social Studies and Math) and NGSS science standards where all students take Biology, Chemistry and Physics. There are differentiated levels for mathematics and language learning (English, Spanish, and Catalan) in each grade.

50% of our grade 9 and 10 students also complete local requirements in Castellano and Catalan Language and Literature, and Spanish History and Geography. Participation in electives has been limited given other academic requirements, but some opportunities have included: Visual Arts, Music, Information Technology, Model United Nations, Speech and Debate, and Entrepreneurship. All students participate in developing a wide range of community service activities throughout the year.

Graduates earn a U.S. high school diploma and, in grades 11-12, can additionally pursue the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma. 62% percent of IB diploma students in the class of 2018 earned the bilingual diploma and many students graduate having achieved a level of language appropriate for university instruction in all three languages (English, Spanish, and Catalan).

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
A minimum of 21, full-year credits are required to obtain the U.S. high school diploma, including:

- 4 Years of English
- 3 Years of mathematics
- 3 Years of lab sciences
- 3 Years of social sciences
- 3 Years of another language
- 2 Elective credits
- 2 Years of physical education
- 1 Credit of community service which is equivalent to 70 hours

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Accredited by:
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IBDP) is a demanding, two-year course of study leading to external examinations. At ASB, the IBDP is an open enrollment program. In 2018, 49 ASB graduates earned the full IB Diploma, with an average score of 34 points.

### IB Course Offerings

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<th>IB Course Offerings</th>
<th>Standard Level</th>
<th>Higher Level</th>
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<tr>
<td>English A Literature</td>
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<td>English A Language and Literature</td>
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<td>Self-study Language</td>
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<td>Economics</td>
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### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA SCORES

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<th>No. of ASB IB students</th>
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<th>Avg. ASB IB score</th>
<th>ASB high score (out of 45)</th>
<th>World average</th>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>98%</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>30</td>
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<tr>
<td>2018</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>94%</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>44</td>
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### OFFICIAL IB COURSE GRADE DISTRIBUTION FOR THE CLASS OF 2018

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<th>IB SUBJECT AREA</th>
<th>Number of exam takers</th>
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<td>Group 1: Language and literature (English A)</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>8%</td>
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<td>Literature (Spanish A)</td>
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<td>Group 2: Language Acquisition (Spanish)</td>
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<td>Group 3: Individuals and societies</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>14%</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>45%</td>
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<td>Group 4: Sciences</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>8%</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>37%</td>
<td>23%</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>Group 5: Mathematics</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>13%</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>Group 6: The Arts</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>43%</td>
<td>57%</td>
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### SAT RESULTS

SAT are optional exams taken by students at ASB who plan to apply to U.S. universities. Average scores are listed below.

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<th>Class of 2019 (24 test takers)</th>
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<td>Evidence Based Reading &amp; Writing</td>
<td>616</td>
<td>647</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>628</td>
<td>657</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>1263</td>
<td>1285</td>
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GRADE 11 FINAL ASB GRADE DISTRIBUTION (CLASS OF 2019)

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<td>Group 1: Language and literature (English A)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Literature (Spanish A)</td>
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<td>15%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Group 2: Language Acquisition (Spanish)</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>37%</td>
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<td>Group 3: Individuals and societies</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Group 4: Sciences</td>
<td>126</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Group 5: Mathematics</td>
<td>84</td>
<td>19%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Group 6: The Arts</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>25%</td>
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GRADING SYSTEM

Until the end of the 2013-2014 school year ASB used a percentage-based grading system. In September 2014 ASB began the transition towards a Standards Based Grading system in order for our final grades to more accurately demonstrate a student’s achievement level at the end of each year. In grades 9 and 10 the class of 2019 was assessed on a four-point scale that has been converted to the A-F scale. In grades 11 and 12 the class of 2019 has been assessed on a seven-point scale. Transcripts reflect this transition.

Due to the high mobility of the student population, ASB does not rank students or calculate GPA.

EXTRACURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

Our High School prides itself not only on our high academic achievement, but also on the ability of our students to make a positive impact on our community through ongoing engagement. Many students take part in activities outside of ASB, including several students competing in high level athletic clubs, national teams and music conservatories. In recent years ASB been working to strengthen our extracurricular options in Service, Athletics and Performing Arts. Some highlights include:

Robust Model United Nations program: Over 50% of our high school students participate in both local and international MUN programs, including our own student-led conference hosting over 500 students from around the world.

New European Speech, Debate and Acting Association (NESDA): traveling to two conferences per year where they can compete in a range of events.

Athletics Teams compete as members of the Iberian and European Sports Conferences. Varsity team options include: soccer, volleyball, basketball, tennis, and cross-country.

Service Learning opportunities are an integral part of ASB with high school students leading and innovating in many areas:

RefugArt: Student-initiated activity to raise awareness and support for refugees around the world through art production and exhibitions. Annual events have collaborated with the UNHCR and other international aid organizations.

Language and Career partnerships: Students work with local organizations (schools, hospitals and corporations) to support English language development for adults who share their professional experiences with our students.

International service learning opportunities include:

- Nepal to support school development
- Botswana to support refugee education and sustainable economics
- Peru to support medical service delivery in the Amazon communities
Students from the Classes of 2016-2018 were accepted to the following universities. (Highlighted universities indicate matriculation.)

**UNITED STATES**

American University
University of Arizona
Boston College
**Boston University**
Brandeis University
Brown University
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Cruz
Carnegie Mellon University
Chapman University
University of Chicago
Colgate University
University of Colorado at Boulder
Cornell University
Drexel University
Duke University
Earlham College
Elon University
Flagler College
Florida Institute of Technology
Florida State University
Fordham University
George Mason University
The George Washington University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Harvey Mudd College
University of Houston
University of Idaho
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Indiana University at Bloomington
University of Iowa
Johns Hopkins University
Loyola Marymount University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Miami University, Oxford
Michigan State University
University of Michigan
The New School
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
University of Notre Dame
Occidental College
Olin College of Engineering
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Portland
Pratt Institute
University of Richmond
University of Rochester
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
University of San Francisco
Savannah College of Art and Design
Seton Hall University
Skidmore College
University of South Carolina
University of Southern California
Stanford University
Syracuse University
Temple University
The University of Texas, Austin
The Ohio State University
Trinity University
Tufts University
Tulane University
Virginia Tech
University of Washington
Wentworth Institute of Technology
University of Wisconsin, Madison
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

**CANADA**

University of British Columbia
Brock University
Carleton University
Concordia University
McGill University
University of Ontario Institute of Technology

**UNITED KINGDOM**

Arts University Bournemouth
Aston University
Bath Spa University
Bournemouth University
Brunel University London
Cardiff University
City University of London
Coventry University
Durham University
Edge Hill University
Glasgow Caledonian University
Goldsmiths, University of London
Heriot Watt University
Imperial College London
King’s College London
Lancaster University
Leeds College of Music
London Metropolitan University
The London School of Economics and Political Science
Loughborough University
Manchester Metropolitan University
New College of the Humanities
Newcastle University
Nottingham Trent University
Oxford Brookes University
Plymouth University
Queen Mary University of London
Regent’s University London
Royal Holloway, University of London
School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London
St. George’s, University of London
Swansea University
University College London
University of Aberdeen
University of Bath
University of Birmingham
University of Brighton
University of Bristol
University of Cambridge
University of Derby
University of Dundee
University of East Anglia
University of East London
The University of Edinburgh
University of Essex
University of Exeter
University of Glasgow
University of Gloucestershire
University of Greenwich
University of Huddersfield
University of Kent
University of Leeds
University of Leicester
University of Liverpool
The University of Manchester
The University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Portsmouth
University of Reading
The University of Sheffield
University of Southampton
University of St Andrews
University of Stirling
University of Strathclyde
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of the Arts London
The University of Warwick
University of West London
University of Westminster
University of York

**SPAIN**

Universidad de Barcelona
Campus la Salle
ELISAVA
ESADE
Institut Quimic de Sarrià
Universidad de Navarra
Universitat Autònoma De Barcelona
Universitat Internacional de Catalunya

**OTHER**

American University of Paris, France
Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
ESCP Europe Business School, France
Erasmus University College, Holland
Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam, Holland
Franklin University, Switzerland
Grenoble School of Management, France
University of Groningen, Holland
The Hague University of Applied Sciences, Holland
Sciences Po, France
University of Lausanne, Switzerland
Leiden University College The Hague, Holland
Las Rotes International School of Hotel Management, Switzerland
Marist College, Italy
University of Rome, Italy
University Maasricht, Holland
Universiteit Utrecht, Holland
Universiteit van Amsterdam, Holland
Venius College, Brussels, Belgium
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Holland
Webster University, Austria

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University matriculation class of 2018

- **Spain 30%**
- **UK 30%**
- **USA 13%**
- **Canada 4%**
- **Holland 9%**
- **Other EU 9%**
- **Gap Year 9%**