

Grade 10 MYP Personal Project Exhibition



The American School of Kinshasa TASOK TALK – MARCH 2022

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Message from the Director

It has been wonderful to see students back in ASAs this session, enjoying the beautiful outdoor spaces and facilities we are fortunate to have here at TASOK. We're excited to announce that team sports practice and weekend access to campus for Association members will begin March 5th. As team sport practice times are finalized, these will be added to our '**TASOK Events Calendar**' on the TASOK website so you can plan in advance: <https://tasok.net/events-calendar/>

Over the course of the next couple days, we will share the specifics for team sport practices and campus guidelines. This will be in a separate email that outlines how the parent partnership will allow everyone to have a safe and enjoyable experience at TASOK on the weekends.

In the meantime, enjoy all the great information and sharing of learning in this month's MARCH 1 TASOK Talk. Congrats to our '**Class of 2022**' which have already received an exciting selection of university acceptances and scholarships!

Yours in education,

Dan Mullen - TASOK Director



PS Safety Team Helpers!



Our Mission for Excellence: *The American School of Kinshasa provides dynamic and individualized educational challenges and opportunities that promote diversity and empower each of its students to develop into independent global community leaders.*

MEET OUR TASOK TEAM!

We dedicate this space to celebrating all the amazing people at TASOK, supporting the school and TASOK Mission, making TASOK a great place to live, work, and learn! Each month we will share information about our team, some of whom work behind the scenes. Make sure to say 'hi' next time you see them on campus, and a quick 'thanks' for all they do for our community!

Interview with: **AUGUSTIN AKIDJANA LOKONDA**
TASOK Atelier Team



Interview with: **AIME KEBANA MABRUKI**
TASOK Business Office Team



What do you do at TASOK?

I am a Tasok Traffic Officer helping with directing Traffic and safely getting students across the road to the Student Access Gate.

I am also a Tasok Gardener mowing , pruning , weeding and keeping the bamboo under control. I also help the replanting of grass and flowers around the new buildings.

What do you do at TASOK?

I am the Accountant and Controller at TASOK. In my role, I record all revenue received at school tuition, grants, rent and miscellaneous income. I also track expenses like salaries, purchases and other disbursements. In other words, all the elements that will make up the financial statements of the school. As a controller, I supervise the data-entry work of the inventory officers and the cashier to make sure they record transactions in correct accounts.

How long have you worked at TASOK?

I have been working at Tasok for 8 years

How long have you worked at TASOK?

I joined TASOK in 2011. It's been 11 years.

What province are you from/which Kinshasa commune do you live in?

I come from the province of Tshopo in the town of Kisangani. I live in Kinshasa in Mont Ngafula Commune, the Musangu Quarter. I have a family of 6 girls and 4 boys. My youngest son is named after me, Augustin was born on the 25th of January 2022.

I enjoy watching Karate and American boxing movies. I also enjoy doing Physical exercises like Karate.

What province are you from/which Kinshasa commune do you live in?

I am from the Mai-Ndombe province, formerly known as Bandundu.

In Kinshasa, I live in Binza-Ozone, not far from TASOK, 15 minutes away when there is no traffic. Walking may take about 30 minutes.

I am married and have 4 children.

What do you appreciate about TASOK?

I appreciate working at Tasok and being part of a good Team. I really enjoy International Day to see all the different flags that are represented at Tasok. I appreciated when I was Atelier of the Month when I had an opportunity to go to the Directors house and share about how I started working at Tasok and share about my family and also to hear about the Directors family which made me happy.

What do you appreciate about TASOK?

It is good to be in a multicultural environment with people from different backgrounds. I like the little show of attention whether it is in sharing gifts, like chocolates for example, or the opportunity to play soccer together. That is very important. When possible, my son plays soccer with the group. I also had the opportunity to come to a TASOK Gala with my wife back in 2012.

What job accomplishment are you most proud of during your time at TASOK?

I am proud of removing the invasive air Potato vines and other vines that affected the Lower Botanical Gardens. I also opened the trails in that area which are now part of the Fitness Trail and it makes me happy to see the students using the Trails again.

What job accomplishment are you most proud of during your time at TASOK?

I am proud to help others and provide accurate data for finance reports and for the annual audit. I am proud of my contribution to several years of clean audits for TASOK, secured finances, well recorded expenses & revenue.

What are you most proud of in the DRC?

I am proud of the Congolese Music called Rhumba and of the Mighty Congo River. It was the Mighty Congo River that I traveled for two weeks on a big boat to Kinshasa to settle here with my family and end up working at Tasok. I am also proud of the International soccer team the Leopards and the players have a special dance when they score a goal. The dance is called Fimbu. The Leopards have two more games against Morocco to win to qualify for the next Soccer World Cup. So I hope I can see the players do the Fimbu dance.

What are you most proud of in the DRC?

I am happy for the president we have now and what he is doing for the country. There is opportunity for the DRC to grow and develop under his leadership.

What do you do as a hobby?

I enjoy playing soccer at TASOK with the teachers. At home, I watch TV, mainly soccer and novelas.

What do you appreciate in your current position?

I appreciate doing traffic in the morning and afternoon so that I can interact with the students and drivers. I appreciate how my gardening can make people smile.

What do you appreciate in your current position?

I am happy to have a supervisory role and am able to follow the work of others. I also have the opportunity to master what I do.

New Elementary Learning Spaces Coming Soon!

You may have noticed that TASOK has an ongoing plan of revitalizing and renovating the various facilities around our beautiful campus. During COVID, we used feedback from the community to complete smaller projects such as new and renovated student bathrooms and increased screened/ventilated areas for outdoor learning that is 'bug free'. As shared at the AGM, we are now ready to resume the master plan construction projects that will commence over the Spring Break. This project was also based on student and parent feedback that identified a need for new elementary bathrooms and physical education spaces. The project involves a complete teardown/replacement of the elementary POD building where music/IT/PE currently take place. Over the next couple weeks, the team is relocating spaces for music, counseling, and PE to continue throughout the construction process.



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The new ES project includes:

- A larger elementary gym with high ceilings, greater ventilation, quality construction & materials.
- The new gym also doubles as a new elementary fallback/lockdown room for emergency planning - including storage for food/water, and new accessible bathrooms.
- New adult bathrooms
- New student bathrooms
- Central garden area
- New classrooms with up to date construction and technology integration.
- New IT network room to allow for upgrades to the campus internet
- New spaces dedicated learning learning support and counseling
- Covered garden space for students to have outdoor learning areas

The initial construction process will begin over the Spring Break while elementary classes are not in session to avoid impacting the learning process.



MYP - Personal Project Exhibition

Kelley Marchant - MYP Coordinator

Personal Project Exhibition

Each year the MYP 5's go through a personal learning journey called the Personal Project. The Personal Project is a student-driven project which is reflective of their personal interest and or passions. Students create a product, intangible or tangible, followed up by a written report that addresses their planning, approaches to learning, and reflective skills.

The MYP Personal project is a capstone for year 5's and quite a milestone accomplishment in their educational journey. On Wednesday, February 16th, all their hard work was clearly demonstrated in our first official TASOK Personal Project Exhibition.





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Student Engagement in a Post-Covid World

Lesley Peacock - Secondary Principal

It is easy to see when students are not engaged in the classroom. They sit there with a glazed look, occasionally glancing towards the clock, doodle on handouts, shuffle, sigh, and eventually slump on their desks in a crumpled heap of despondency. This is not the picture we want to see at TASOK. So what do we mean by engagement and how do teachers engage their students most effectively in the learning process?

‘Engagement’ is difficult to define, because it can take many forms: Teacher-driven engagement can be boosted through high-impact instruction and presenting knowledge in a motivating way. Whereas student-driven engagement places an emphasis on students taking more of an active role in their learning through



problem-solving and inquiry-based activities. We can recognize three types of engagement. Behavioral; where the student is motivated to learn and participate in classroom activities. Emotional; students are excited to start another day, they are happy to be in school. Cognitive; students feel that learning is meaningful and worthwhile and their efforts in mastering new knowledge and skills can often go beyond requirements.

What does engagement look like in a secondary classroom at TASOK? When students returned to TASOK following a period of online learning, they seemed genuinely happy to be back and reunited with their friends. However, teachers found that some students were quieter, more passive and not so engaged in their learning. Students needed to be re-energized. These are some strategies I recently observed teachers employing in their classes:

1. **Creating a healthy and safe environment (Emotional)**- students feel comfortable and confident to learn. In a Grade 9/10 French class, I observed students singing along to French Eurovision songs with the objective of learning past tenses. Not only did they feel comfortable in doing this in front of their peers, but they prompted in a friendly manner two reticent boys to join in.
2. **Active learning (Behavioral)**-sitting still for a 90-minute block is anything but engaging. If a teacher wants to increase student engagement, then they need to increase student activity. One way of achieving this is to offer a number of shorter activities. A Grade 9 science class on combustible substances was broken into 20 minute slots. The introductory lecture was enhanced by a short video and powerpoint. Then more interactive components followed by students undertaking two controlled experiments, and then demonstrating these to the other Grade 9 class next door. Knowledge was tested through a Kahoot quiz and a final report written.
3. **Interdisciplinary Learning (Cognitive)**- engages students by drawing knowledge from different subject areas and provides the opportunity to consider complex ideas and identify creative solutions. Recently a Grade 10 class was involved in a Propaganda Unit. In Language and Literature, students wrote propaganda speeches, in Visual Arts they created printworks and in Performing Arts they practiced delivery skills that culminated in a presentation combining the three subject areas working through a joint concept.

Student engagement can be seen as the glue binding student learning with academic achievement, enjoyment, and social and emotional wellbeing. When students display high levels of behavioral, emotional, and cognitive engagement they are more likely to do well academically, and become actively involved in the learning process.

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Cover Art Contest

WANT TO BE A PART OF

TASOK HISTORY?

HAVE AN EYE

FOR DESIGN?

Leave your mark on the TASOK Class of 2022 by designing the yearbook cover art!

Your artwork **MUST** include our theme as well as capture the feeling/meaning of our theme

Soaring Towards Our Greatest Achievements

Must also include our School Name/Year

TASOK 2021-2022 (or 21/22)

Submission Details:

Deadline: Friday, March 18, 2022

Format: PDF (uploaded to TASOK Google Drive)

Email to/Share with: Mrs. Dago at adago@tasok.net

Contest is open to ALL ES & SS students and may use any type of media (hand drawn, drawing apps, photography)

Grand Opening! - New Secondary Library Addition & Student Bathrooms

The secondary library addition is nearly complete with the addition of new student bathrooms central to the secondary campus. This project comes out of the ongoing efforts to ensure health and safety for our students, and will provide bathrooms in closer proximity to the CAC, science buildings, and new



performing arts buildings. The final touches are being completed with bathrooms opening later this week!

COLLEGE CORNER – Celebrating our Senior Class of 2022!

Julie Mullen – College Counselor

Congratulations to our graduating class of 2022 on their college/university acceptances to date as they start to contemplate their multiple offers. This year's mighty group of 16 seniors applied to a variety of institutions around the world!



Here is a list of current acceptances so far (you can also see daily updated acceptances posted on our “We are All Stars” senior bulletin board in the rotunda outside the SS library):

- Algonquin College
- University of Tampa
- Nova Southeastern University
- Ryerson University
- McMaster University
- University of British Columbia



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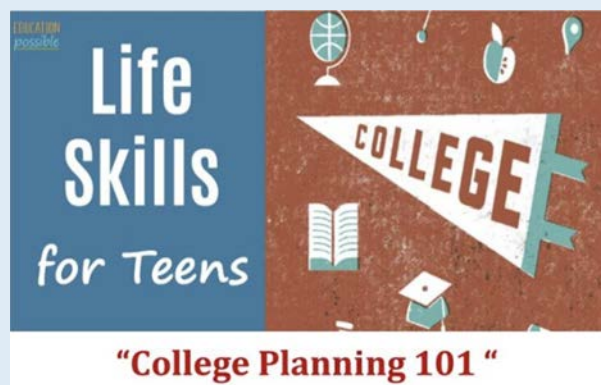
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Ringling College of Art & Design
Savannah College of Art and Design
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Purdue University
University of Hull
University of Kent
University of Roehampton - London
University of East Anglia
Nottingham Trent University
Aston University - Birmingham
University of Sussex
Virginia Tech
University of Michigan
San Diego State University
Missouri S&T
University of Science & Technology
University of Northern British Columbia
Western University - Canada

Florida Tech
Saint Peter's University
University of San Francisco
University of Illinois Chicago
IE University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Binghamton University
University of Kansas
Brock University
Bellerbys College
University of Tennessee Knoxville
Concordia University
University of Maryland
Michigan State University
University of New Hampshire
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Wilfrid Laurier University
University of Wisconsin-Madison

What's Next?

Over the remainder of semester two, the grade 12's will continue receiving their university offers while working on important "life skills" to prepare them for life away from home in an independent learning environment. These skills are often a vital piece of a student's success in their first year away from mom & dad.



Elementary Update

Mike Bailey - Elementary Principal

Save the Date/Special events

Mar. 3- Grade 4 market Place Celebration of Learning

Grade 4 is running a simulated Market place this Thursday as part of their unit How We Organize Ourselves. They are inviting their parents and K-5 classes, our business office, and some select classes from the secondary division to come explore their business models and will be selling snacks and small products. The event will take place from 1:30-3:00.

Mar. 4- PYP Exhibition Kick off- Grade 5 is now officially starting our PYP Exhibition. This is a student-driven and managed unit of inquiry on Sharing the Planet. This week students are exploring what the transdisciplinary theme means and sorting out areas of interest and questions to pursue. On Friday the 4th, Students will be paired with their mentor teachers and form into the groups that they will work with for the next 7 weeks, culminating in presenting their on Thursday, April 28.

Mar. 11- Kindergarten Poetry Cafe

Kindergarten is having a celebration of learning related to their unit How We Express ourselves. KG parents will be invited to celebrate the creative works of our students in a poetry cafe on Friday the 11th at 8:00 am, immediately following our Music Friday.

Mar. 11- Grade 5 Parent Exhibition Information Session

On Friday, Mar. 11 at 2:00 pm, we will hold a grade 5 Parent information session to help our grade 5 parents understand the journey their children are embarking on and to learn how best to support the students in their journeys. All grade 5 parents should attend.

March 18- Whole school parent session on the PYP/MYP/DP cumulative projects- Exhibition, Personal Project, Extended Essay

We are pleased to invite all TASOK parents in to find out more about the culminating projects for each of our IB programs. More details to come.

A Special Thanks!

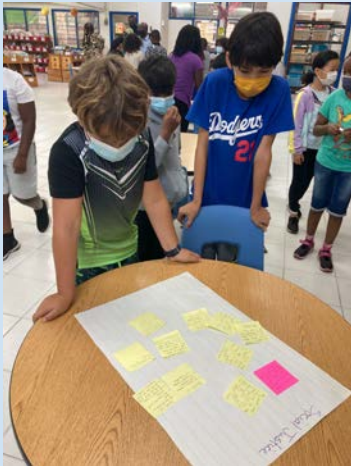
This term, our ASAs and PE instruction have been enriched by parent and student volunteers. From added instructional support in swimming to parent led and secondary student led after-school activities, our elementary students are benefitting from new opportunities to interact with our community members. A special thanks to our volunteers who are supporting our ES students and bringing our community closer together!

PYP Coordinator Update

Vitna Bailey- PYP Coordinator

Sneak Peek into the ES library

Tasok ES library supports and energizes academic learning, service learning, and social and emotional support for the community in many ways. Students actively engage in reading, listening, writing, and learning research skills in a variety of ways.



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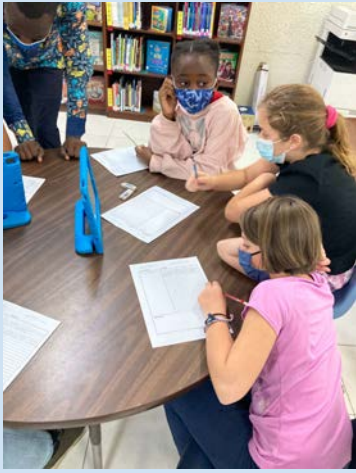
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Celebrating Assistant librarians in training
 A few students in grade 5 approached the ES librarians expressing their interest in volunteering in the library a while ago. After discussing the details and making commitment, we have several student assistant librarians in training who are serving others through this student initiated action.

Library during recess



Library is open for all grade levels everyday during recess. Students have been visiting the library to return and checkout books and to read. They are enjoying the extra reading time!



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Use a metaphor or simile to describe the PYP Exhibition.

Climbing up a mountain with difficulties and fun. —Solenn



A road going across the world with no set ending. —Alana

It feels like I'm climbing higher until I complete my quest. —Osea



The PYPx is like a pack of wolves helping each other in challenging situations —Maddie S.



Bumpy road filled with big challenges. When you finish, you'll feel proud. —Amelle

Mark your calendars for Thursday 28th April 2022. Grade 5 will be sharing their growth as learners at this culminating event.

Busy as bees. —Sadell



On the road to the PYP Exhibition 2022!



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The American School Of Kinshasa



DP Visual Arts Exhibition

Opening Reception March 12
14:00-16:00

Artists in this Exhibition
Class of 2022

Michael Ekerue
Lea G. Karagwa
Laura B. Tchamou

Margo (Mia) Laplanche
Yara Tarhini
Jessica B. Kanguvu
Sabah Rajsh

Gallery talk by the artists, finger food and drinks.

Please R.S.V.P via [Google form](#) by Saturday, March 5.

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TASOK ELEMENTARY STUDENT COUNCIL (ES StuCo)

Mike Bailey- Elementary Principal [Second Semester ES Student Council Updates](#)



The ES Student Council is looking at a new initiative to build community spirit. The new initiative- Mixed up Mondays, is in the final stages of preparation and we hope to roll it out soon.

Project brief-

Goal- Let students interact with friends/siblings in other grades. Create special events to bring people together.

The plan: Students will be partnered with different grades on Mondays to support community building. Students are creating a rotating schedule for Mondays to allow grade levels that are not able to interact regularly to share recess zones. The student council is in the process of engaging with their classmates about what kinds of activities they can do together and how they can build relationships with more students they do not know as well. Questions they are asking are what sort of games they can play and how they can share space together.

Expected first Mixed up Monday- Monday Mar. 6.

TASOK ES Students head to the Pool!

February was the perfect month to head to the pool for our ES students.



TASOK Secondary Student Council

Kelley Marchant - Advisor

Valentine's Day/Spirit Week

Celebrating Valentine's Day finally gave the Student Council a holiday to plan for and the reason to have their postponed (twice) Spirit Week! It was all hands on deck as decorations were planned for the campus to celebrate love and kindness. The Student Cafe and Student Council got together to offer roses and goodies for sale. Dress up days were planned and a concert by our student band kicked things off in a great way on Monday, February 14th! The Student Council looks forward to many more weeks like this!



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Staff enjoy showing their TASOK spirit on Fridays!

Pajama Day on Friday in Homeroom!

The PTC Place

The purpose of the TASOK Parent Teacher Committee (PTC) is to create a supportive and sustainable relationship between all members of TASOK to create a strong sense of community through open communication, initiatives, and event planning.

Parent Grade Level Representatives are still needed!

As a PTC Grade Level Representative your role is to:

- Be in charge of the WhatsApp grade level group and class mailing/ contact lists.
- Attend PTC meetings (quarterly) and collect inputs for the agenda from your grade level prior to meetings.
- Be the main point of communication for the parents at each grade level.
- Support PTC Events and help with PTC fundraising.
- Welcome new parents to the grade level and support their transition to TASOK.



PTC Information February 2022 - Join the PTC WhatsApp Group!

Join using the following link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/H4un57Ofjq3GMh9h1XZaru> or send a WhatsApp asking to join the PTC Committee WhatsApp to +243995594012

Save the Dates:

March 10, 2022 - Coffee & Conversations (TBD)

May 21, 2022 TASOK PTC Cocktail Gala (18:00 pm)

PTC Event: Getting the TASOK Community Vaccinated against COVID-19



Location changed to the TASOK CAC building. Plus added staff to ensure a shorter, more comfortable wait time.

Another opportunity to get your **free covid vaccine is here!**
Friday March 11, 13:00-16:00

First and second doses available! PATH (a USAID and COVAX backed initiative) will be on the TASOK campus with vaccine for youth 12 and older, as well as adults. Students will need a signed parental consent form and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Brought to you by your PTC - Working together to protect our learning community.

[Click Here For Registration](#)

Please consider volunteering your time for a strong TASOK community!

TASOK Cafeteria Services Planning for 2022/23

We are still reaching out to our TASOK Community for those interested in putting in a tender for food services in the TASOK Canteen.

Proposals will need to adhere to criterion including:

- Healthy Options & Reasonable Costs
- Minimal Packaging Waste (recyclable products)
- Ability to manage online menus & payments
- Off-Site Preparation following strict Health & Safety Standards.

If you are in the food service industry and would like to be contacted as more information is put together about the tender process, please send an email with your information to: canteen@tasok.net



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DP Coordinator's Notes:

Garrett Austin- DP Coordinator

Beginning the 10th grade Transition to the Diploma Programme (DP)

Beginning in March, 10th grade students will begin the process of transitioning from the MYP to the DP. During their advisory classes, they will be introduced to the nature of the program, requirements, subject offerings, and expectations for DP students at TASOK. Students and parents are invited to an information session on Thursday, March 10th from 16:30-18:00 in the CAC for parents and students. Please note that the date has changed since the last TASOK Talk from March 8 to 10. If you have any questions about the program, please read more below, or email the TASOK DP Coordinator, Garrett Austin gaustin@tasok.net.

What is the IB Diploma Programme?

The IB Diploma Programme (DP) is an academically challenging and balanced education program. It prepares students, aged 16 to 19, for success at university and life beyond. It has been designed to address the intellectual, social, emotional and physical well-being of students.

- provides a package of education that balances subject breadth and depth, and considers the nature of knowledge across subject areas
- encourages international-mindedness and education for a modern, global society
- develops the character traits of the IB Learner Profile
- emphasizes the development of the whole student: physical, intellectual, emotional, and ethical
- involves students as active members of their local and global communities

The Curriculum

The DP is a comprehensive and balanced curriculum in which students take one IB course per subject area (language and literature, language acquisition, individuals and societies, sciences, math, and arts) In addition, Diploma candidates complete three unique components of the DP "core": CAS, EE, and TOK. Students can also elect to be Course candidates and take subjects individually and do not have to complete the core. Students must take 3 SL and

The DP Core

Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS)

CAS encourages students to lead a balanced life-style throughout the Diploma Programme, with the hope that the habits created during these two years are the foundation for life-long learning in the areas of Creativity, Activity and Service. It is an experiential learning component in which students engage in a range of activities of their own choosing beyond the classroom in each of the three areas.

Extended Essay (EE)

The Extended Essay is an independent, self-directed research paper of maximum 4000 words on a topic of the student's choice. Students get to select any subject area and topic for the essay. Over the course of one year, students will work independently while supported by a faculty supervisor towards the final submission of the essay in the first half of grade 12

Theory of Knowledge (TOK)

In this course, students reflect critically on diverse ways of knowing and on areas of knowledge. They consider the role and nature of knowledge in their own culture, in the cultures of others and in the wider world. It promotes students' awareness of themselves as thinkers, while encouraging them to become more acquainted with the complexity of knowledge

3 HL subjects for the full diploma.

Subject Choices at TASOK

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature
English Language and Literature (SL/HL)
French Language and Literature (SL/HL)

Group 2: Language Acquisition
French B (SL/HL)
French ab initio (SL)

Group 3: Individuals and Societies
History of Europe (SL/HL)
Business Management (SL/HL)

Group 4: Sciences
Biology (SL/HL)
Physics (SL/HL)
Environmental Systems and Societies (SL)

Group 5: Mathematics
Math: Analysis and Approaches (SL/HL)

Group 6: Arts
Visual Arts (SL/HL)
Theatre (SL/HL)

Business Office News

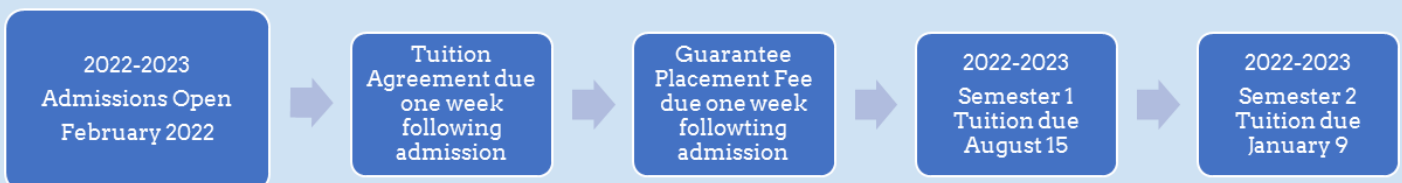
Now, Next Year 2022-2023 & Payment Options!

Semester 2 Tuition Payments Due NOW

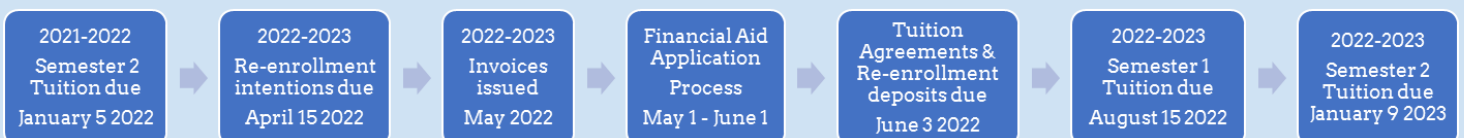
We are still collecting payments for the second semester of 2021-2022. Kindly make sure that your child's account is current to avoid additional late fees and other sanctions. As we enter March, we are looking ahead to the 2022-2023 school-year.

Next Steps, preparing for 2022-2023 School-Year

New Students Timeline



Returning Students Timeline



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Payment Options

TASOK offers families and companies the convenience of making tuition payments online. To provide this method of payment, we partner with Diamond Mind/Community Brands, an independent school payment service provider. All payment information is completely secure using the highest security standards in the industry.



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WEBSITE OPTION

Go to the school website's "Tuition Payment Portal" link, or enter directly clicking here: [PAYMENT PORTAL](#)

- Sign-up to set up an online account;
- Enter student first name, last name and ID with payment information; the student ID # is on the invoice;
- Submit payment. Payment acceptance methods and any fees associated with an electronic payment are outlined in the payment portal.
- You can find common answers to online tuition payment questions at <http://diamondmindinc.com/parentFAQ/>.

MOBILE OPTION

You can also pay using our mobile payment app: MySchoolWallet
Signing into the MySchoolWallet App for the first time?



[Intro Video](#)

- Go to the App Store on your phone.
[Apple Store](#)
[Google Play Store](#)
- Search for MySchoolWallet and install.
- Complete your profile and select The American School of Kinshasa as your school and hit PAY.
- You will see various events and departments, listed as payment types. Select one of the payment types and follow the onscreen directions. Be sure to complete the student's name and fill out the NOTE with what the payment is for (for example, Tuition or Student Store)
- Please check the box "I would like to absorb processing costs so that the school receives my whole payment." Each transaction incurs a processing cost from the bank.
- Once your transaction has gone through, you will receive an email confirmation and receipt.

Note that payments can be made via credit card (worldwide), debit card or echeck (for US accounts only). For online payments, receipts are automatically generated after each transaction.

BANKING OPTION

- Direct deposits (cash or check) at bank counters into TASOK's account are accepted.
- Wire or ACH transfers are accepted.
- Online banking from your bank DRC or US bank to ours is possible. Check with your institution for options available to you.
- Most US transfer options work: wire, ACH, e-check, BillPay, Zelle, etc... These options are only available for US transactions, not international.
- Once the transaction is complete, send the confirmation to us.

ON CAMPUS OPTION

- TASOK has an ATM station on campus. The ATM machine is located just outside of the Administration Building.
- TASOK Cashier Office accepts debit and credit cards for payments via POS. Both ATM & POS accept VISA[®] & Mastercard[®].
- TASOK Cashier Office accepts paper checks issued to The American School of Kinshasa. Checks from a local DRC or US bank are accepted.

Help is available at the office to help you navigate the TASOK website and experiment with the tuition portal or the mobile app! If you need copies of invoices/agreements or would like a receipt for your payment, please email accounts@tasok.net.

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Stay informed

Visit the [Business Office](#) page for details on current Tuition Rates, Payment Plans and Education Loans at Local Banks.

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At TASOK, we continue to reinforce the following at school, are you doing the same at home?



3 W's to reduce risk of COVID-19

Wear a mask 	Wash your hands 	Watch your distance 6 ft (~2 meters)
<small>COVID-19 RESOLVE Vital Strategies More info at PreventEpidemics.org #KnowCOVID #PreventEpidemics</small>		

Les 3 M pour réduire les risques de COVID-19

Masque mis 	Mains bien lavées 	Maintenir la distance 6 pieds ou 2 mètres
<small>COVID-19 RESOLVE Vital Strategies Plus d'informations sur PreventEpidemics.org #KnowCOVID #PreventEpidemics</small>		

Teach your kids about the 3W's or 3M's.

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The New 2022/23 Academic Calendar is Here!

Also found on our TASOK website [LINK!](#)



2022-2023 TASOK Approved Academic Calendar

August						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
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December						
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February						
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July						
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August
 1 New Faculty First Day
 8 Returning Faculty First Day
 12 New Family Orientation
 15 Student First Day

September
 5 Labor Day

October
 17-21 School Break

November
 23 International Day (1/2)
 24 Thanksgiving Day

Q1: August 12 – October 14
 Q2: October 24 – January 13
 Q3: January 18 – April 6
 Q4: April 10 – June 9

December
 16-Jan. 6 School Break

January
 1 New Year's Day
 4 Martyr's Day
 16-17 Heroes Day (No Students)
 Faculty PD Days

February

March
 20-31 School Break

Total student days: 178

April
 7 Good Friday

May
 1 International Labor Day

June
 1 High School Graduation
 9 Final Day of Classes
 10 Faculty Final Day

July
 4 US Independence Day

Quarters

- Early Dismissal
- Campus Closed
- Important Date
- Staff Days

APPROVED BY THE BOARD
 11/20/2021

TASOK CALENDAR OF EVENTS ALSO FOUND AT: <https://tasok.net/events-calendar/>



All School Calendar - 2021-2022 Calendar At a Glance

ALL DATES ARE INCLUDED ON THE TASOK EVENTS CALENDAR FOUND AT: <https://tasok.net/events-calendar/>

August 2021

16-20 All Staff Orientation
 20 New Family Orientation
 23 First Day of School

September 2021

2 Grades 6-12 Awards
 6 Labor Day Holiday
 8-10 ES Open house by Group
 9 SS Open House and MYP Sessions
 9 Grade 11 and 12 Parent Sessions
 13-15 School Photos
 13-17 ES MAP Testing
 20-29 SS Map Testing
 28-1 Oct. Mock Exhibition Grade 12 VAs
 30 ManageBac parent workshop 7.30 am/3.15pm

February 2022

2 Semester 1 reports published
 11 ES Parent Session
 16 Personal Project Exhibition (MS)
 27 Personal Project Reports Due (MS)

March 2022

12 SAT - Registration deadline Feb 11
 12 Grade 12 Art Exhibition
 10-18 Grade 12 Mock Exams
 18 ES Parent Session
 21-April 1 School Break

April 2022

March 21-April 1 School Break
 8 Quarter 3 Ends - Progress Reports Due
 11 Start of Quarter 4

Upcoming Events:

- | | |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 12 - SAT (Reg. Deadline Feb. 11)• March 12 - Grade 12 IB Visual Arts Exhibition• March 10-18 - Grade 12 Mock Exams | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 18 ES Parent Session• March 21 - April 1 - School Break• April 8 - Quarter 3 Ends |
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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Nelson Mandela

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