ISIK College

The Golden Generation

EST. 1997
The tool that opens all doors...

ISIK COLLEGE Staff believes that the future of humanity rests on the tip of a pen...
Overview

PHILOSOPHY
In a world of technological and moral turbulence, it is a challenge to keep abreast with the changes. It is our vision at ISIK College to guide and support students, not only helping them to cope with these changes, but to harness them.

MISSION
The mission of the College is to achieve academic excellence and to prepare the students to participate in contemporary Australian society as informed, responsible, active, caring and contributing citizens.

VISION
ISIK College is committed to pioneering an innovative, dynamic and leading learning community that meets the needs, values and demands of a globalized world. We are motivated by our belief that each child has the need to feel special and grow in self-esteem and self-knowledge.

ACTION
We are committed to fostering a community of learners, recognizing that learning occurs both formally and informally and is a lifelong process.

At ISIK College, strong parent participation is encouraged. We value close ties among children, staff, parents and the community.

HISTORY
ISIK College is proud of its reputation as having the highest percentage of university offers in Victoria. We stand by our achievements and acknowledge the generous support of the community who have helped establish ISIK College.

In the early 1980s, a handful of Australian Turkish volunteers saw a desperate need to provide educational services for the Australian youth. As a result, these volunteers founded a non-profit community organisation in 1988 and officially registered it as Selimiye Foundation Ltd at the beginning of 1992.

In 1997 ISIK College was established on the former Eastmeadows Primary School site. ISIK College commenced its operation officially in February 1997 with only 28 students. Before the end of the first year, enrolments had more than doubled and ISIK College completed its first year with 60 students.

Today, ISIK College has 6 major campuses across Victoria with over 2,000 students.
At ISIK College we welcome students from all ethnic and religious backgrounds. We are committed to the formation of a non-denominational school and we believe that the most important aspect of a school is its humanity. We educate our students in a thriving environment of serenity, care and encourage appreciation and respect towards all living things. Isik College encourages and promotes social cohesion and diversity among its students and the wider community.
Exploration leads to inspiration...
Be Inquisitive
ISIK College is proud of its success in VCE. Since its establishment, ISIK College has maintained an outstanding record in VCE results and entrance into university courses.

At ISIK College, senior school years (VCE) begins at Year 10 as students seek bigger challenges and seek to become independent.

Senior students are given the opportunity to take responsibility and direct their learning as they begin VCE or VCAL of their accord.

The senior school emphasises student preparation for entrance into tertiary courses. Although students direct their learning, they receive ample support from the Course and Careers Advisors.

Teachers treat senior students as adults and have confidence in their abilities to achieve. This enables students to develop their maturity and self-esteem.

Extra tutorials are added to the VCE program where students can further enhance their learning. Study camps are also organised to provide further opportunities to succeed.

Senior students actively participate in the decision making of the school through the SRC to further develop their independence. Students also take part in overseas and interstate tours to broaden their horizons and life experience and expose them to the lives and cultures of a diverse range of people.
Challenge, Growth, Identity ...
ISIK College had its first graduates in 2002. 19% of the students obtained university entry scores of 90 and above, placing them in the top 10% of the state. These results gained the college the reputation of being the top performing school in the Northern suburbs, amongst 50 government and private schools. In 2004, the university entry success was 100%. All of the students who were enrolled in year 12 had successfully completed VCE and received first round university offers from prestigious universities.

The Victorian Government’s 2004 On Track Survey Data ranked ISIK College as the second best in Victoria.

In 2005, ISIK College graduates received results which again ranked ISIK College as the top performing school in the Northern suburbs.

In 2006 and 2007, ISIK College achieved its long awaited success by becoming the leading school in Victoria for tertiary entrance.

Isik College success story continued in 2008 with students receiving scores in the high nineties. Isik College is proud of its achievements as it continues to lead the way in education.
A WORLD ABOVE THE REST
Children at ISIK College experience a learning environment which is warm, creative and engaging. The children’s first steps in a lifelong education are fostered and celebrated. At ISIK College, children are encouraged to discover their emerging capabilities and achievements. Our teaching staff is dedicated to nurturing individual needs in an atmosphere where children can grow emotionally, socially and academically – freely, at their own learning pace.

Our Early Years Program encourages children to develop a love of learning by exploring, observing, listening and experimenting. The pursuit of creativity, as well as academic excellence, is highly valued in the early years.

Our comprehensive curriculum in English, Mathematics and units of Integrated Studies that cover Science and Technology, SOSE and Health is complimented with a rich program of LOTE, Religion and Values, Physical Education, Music and Art, all of which are taught by specialist teachers.

We are proud of the quality of the total educational environment available to our primary children. The dedication and care shown by our staff coupled with an exceptionally high level of support from enthusiastic parents in all aspects of schooling, remains central to our success.
Learn to Love,
Love to Learn...
Be Artistic
PASTORAL CARE

At ISIK College there is a strong emphasis on preparing students for a life of service in the community. They are guided to view the society in which they live, with critical and appreciative eyes and to apply their creative and questioning minds to the challenge of making a positive difference.

In the school, each student has a range of significant mentors to provide him/her with guidance and a sense of connection.

At all times, very high behavioural expectations are set and very clearly communicated to the students. ISIK College Pastoral Care program is offered to students from years 4 to 12. On specific days throughout each week, students are involved in various activities that develop team spirit.

They also involve themselves in active discussion sessions where they examine issues that directly affect and concern them and the wider community of which they are an integral part.

Living together harmoniously in society and learning from one another is more important than ever before in contemporary society. This applies to learning from other cultures and traditions.

Pastoral Care allows students to develop social skills and an understanding of one another, which is critical in learning to live and to work together for a better world.
Be Caring
Be Talented

ARTS & DRAMA

Drama, folk-dancing, music, cultural activities, talent search and a range of extension activities are among ISIK College's many co-curricular programs that help to provide a holistic education...
Be Tuned
ISIK College offers every student the opportunity to face new challenges, discover their talents and utilise them for self-development.

The fostering of emerging talent and intellect will develop confidence and self-respect. Therefore, the student will be a source of joy to his/her self, to friends and the community.

ISIK College students are provided with all the opportunities to make them successful individuals of the future.
At ISIK college, physical development is as important as intellectual development. Students at ISIK College have the opportunity to choose from a variety of sporting activities. Since 2001, ISIK College has achieved great success in individual and team sports.

The ISIK College wrestling team has won 5 gold and 10 silver medals in the Victorian and the Australian championships in 2001; 6 gold, 4 silver and 7 bronze medals in 2002. Isik College also achieved individual track and field success by winning Gold, silver and bronze medals at country cross athletics.
Be Competitive

ISIK College’s soccer teams have won championships in many soccer and futsal competitions in Victoria since 2001.
For the most part, teachers hold the keys to the future – the kind of civilization in the future depends on the teaching of today.

With this in mind, staff at ISIK College are dedicated to providing an education that is fitting to the raising of the next generation. They are aware of the influential position they hold as the teachers of the next generation.

Teaching is a demanding profession that requires teachers to serve the community. It is this concept of service that provides our staff with the intrinsic motivation to deliver the highest quality education. Giovanni Ruffini wrote, “A teacher is like a candle which lights others in consuming itself.”

Our staff form a mosaic of local, interstate and international experience which gives students an opportunity to view the world through different lenses. We have a global team of teachers coming to the College with African, Asian and European experience. Staff utilise this experience to implement their teaching practice and philosophy.

Our staff are motivated by the important value they place on teaching. They aim to act as role models engaging in what is right, being considerate and consistently showing understanding, patience, compassion and enthusiasm. Teachers aim to make students feel valued by showing them how to overcome failure as well as embracing success.
ISIK College is an independent non-denominational institute that currently has 6 major campuses in Victoria. The current campuses of ISIK College are listed below:

**EAST MEADOWS** - Main Campus  
Primary P-6  
Girls Secondary 7-12

**UPFIELD CAMPUS**  
Boys Secondary 7-12

**DANDENONG CAMPUS**  
Primary P-6  
Secondary 7-12

**GEELONG CAMPUS**  
Primary P-6

**MILDURA CAMPUS**  
Primary P-6

**SHEPPARTON CAMPUS**  
Primary P-6
Looking at things from a different perspective reflects the exciting culture of ISIK College.