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## English as a Second Language (ESOL) @ Colegio Internacional de Caracas

CIC is proud to offer a wide range of English language structures within our English Immersion setting. Beginning in the Elementary School and continuing into our high school program, CIC offers professional support to assist each student to improve his or her English Language proficiency level.

Our ESOL team uses The WIDA Consortium, formerly known as the World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment Program. Here, students are provided both group and individualized instruction in the classroom as well as in individualized classes – and our success is amazing! CIC students adapt quickly to our English Immersion setting where all primary instruction is in English for all classes (except Spanish and French).

Student who are enrolled at CIC are tested for English proficiency and language skills upon arrival. If students cannot meet general classroom language expectations a personally-designed English development program is initiated. Then, ESOL classes progress weekly with periodic assessments that are shared with parents.

It is expected that CIC ESOL teachers actively support each ESOL student, provide appropriate instruction and content, and serve as an advocate between student, family, and the rest of the school. Students, on the other hand, are expected to make an additional effort each day to learn English, commit to an English-first philosophy, and actively work to accomplish his or her action plan.

Colegio Internacional de Caracas is a safe setting for learning English. Most of our students and teachers speak two or more languages so there is widespread understanding around the challenges of learning English as a Second Language (ESOL). Therefore, we have amazing success at all grade levels as students develop their language skills to the degree where they can take English-based standardized tests, International Baccalaureate Exams, and speak publicly in English.

We are always happy to share more with you about our English as Second Language Program. Please stop by the office for more information.









