



PLEDGE HARBOR
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



Student Prospectus

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1st IB accredited
Boarding School in Bangladesh



Education... *and more*

Whatever you want to achieve, we will give you the support, skills, knowledge and experience to make a difference.

Located in the lush green city of gazipur, we are dedicated to transform your future, ensuring a successful transition from course to career.

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Welcome

Our core philosophy at Pledge Harbor is to cultivate our students into the global minded leaders of tomorrow. We believe that our students are part of our family and we take care of each pupil as our own.

As a prominent boarding school, not only are we concerned with the academic achievements of our pupils, we educate them in academics, life and social skills, accepting differences, emotional understanding and how their actions impact our society.

Our principal effort is on nurturing them towards becoming well-rounded beings, capable of leading a fulfilling life and facilitating the development of a better and more peaceful world.

We welcome you open heartedly and earnestly hope you experience our facilities as your own, obtain the benefits through your children living an enriched residential lifestyle, whilst being taught by a culturally diverse group of experienced faculty members from numerous countries, backgrounds, cultures and educational systems.



Kaniz Fatema Zareen
Chairperson & Head of School

Educational Philosophy

Mission

The mission of PHIS is to challenge and enable students to reach their individual potential in mind, body and spirit while building responsible global citizens.

At Pledge Harbor we advocate the concept of 'positive education', which instils optimistic mind-set among growing students. Students are schooled with exclusive proficiencies, to be cultivated into distinct individuals with leadership abilities. Your children are not just your heirs; they also inherit a nation poised to grow spectacularly. Hence, at PHIS, we work towards

Students are fostered to be critical and analytical thinkers, work collaboratively to solve problems, take and defend positions and opinions, and reflect on their learning. Incorporation of real life activities and problems in lessons helps students to become 21st century thinkers capable of being successful in a wide variety of fields of studies and careers. The

building relationships, steering positive sentiments and developing individual resilience. We believe that youthful minds are pliable and thus we put forth our paramount efforts into nurturing our students towards being confident analytical thinkers and dynamic leaders.

Our internationally certified teachers ensure constant guidance and support both within and beyond the classroom.

classroom environment, teacher-student interaction and teaching methods are all carefully designed for students to develop a lifelong love of learning. PHIS's spacious and digitally equipped classrooms enable students to be more than spectators, developing as active participants in their own education. We strive to keep our library, modern Science and IT labs up to date with wireless technology support throughout campus.

Opportunity... *awaits*



The School *at a glance*

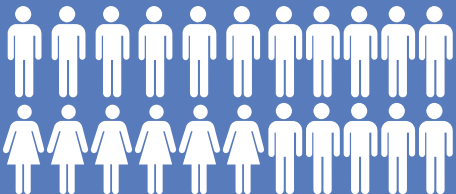
- * 10 Lane Swimming Pool
- * ICC Standard Cricket Pitch
- * Indoor and Outdoor
- * Basketball Court
- * Tennis Court
- * Football Fields



Contemporary library
comprising of over
9000 books & E-Books.



One compassionate
FACULTY MEMBER
for every 6 **STUDENTS**.



87% of our students
participate in at least
3 sports a year.



27 GORGEOUS ACRES
FOR STUDENTS TO
EXPLORE



11,76,120 ft²
of academic, arts & athletic
space exclusively designed
for student engagement.



Why choose *Pledge Harbor* as a boarding school?



A Place of your own

At PHIS, students meet new friends, peers & make lifelong connections, graduating with a formidable network.

The academics, the athletics and the extracurricular activities are just a few considerations of providing your child with the facilities of a boarding school.

Great teachers who love to teach - usually teachers who stay at boarding are more committed towards teaching; they do not only look at it as a profession and are extremely passionate towards educating youngsters.

Abundant sports facilities are available at most boarding schools – at PHIS's 27-acre campus, the sporting facilities are state of the art, offering various sports.

The 'sense' of freedom of living away from home – your child will learn how to cope with life and many high and low points, within a community of peers who are going through the same things. Maturity comes from experiences and after a few years of living away from their nest, children are bound to mature into responsible beings. Furthermore, all of this would happen under the

watchful eye of the faculty members & teachers, who are mentors, not baby-sitters.

Your children will learn to be responsible for themselves – continuous little steps towards maturity is one of the intangibles of going to boarding school. Students mix with diverse groups of peers & learn to get along with others as it is a community. Children learn to be responsible for their actions as they are bound by codes of honour & discipline. The lessons of life absorbed in boarding school will lay a solid foundation for adulthood.

Connections for life – Being at boarding 24/7 creates a cooperative environment for students, which they must learn, to be able to live together with a diverse range of people. The companionships

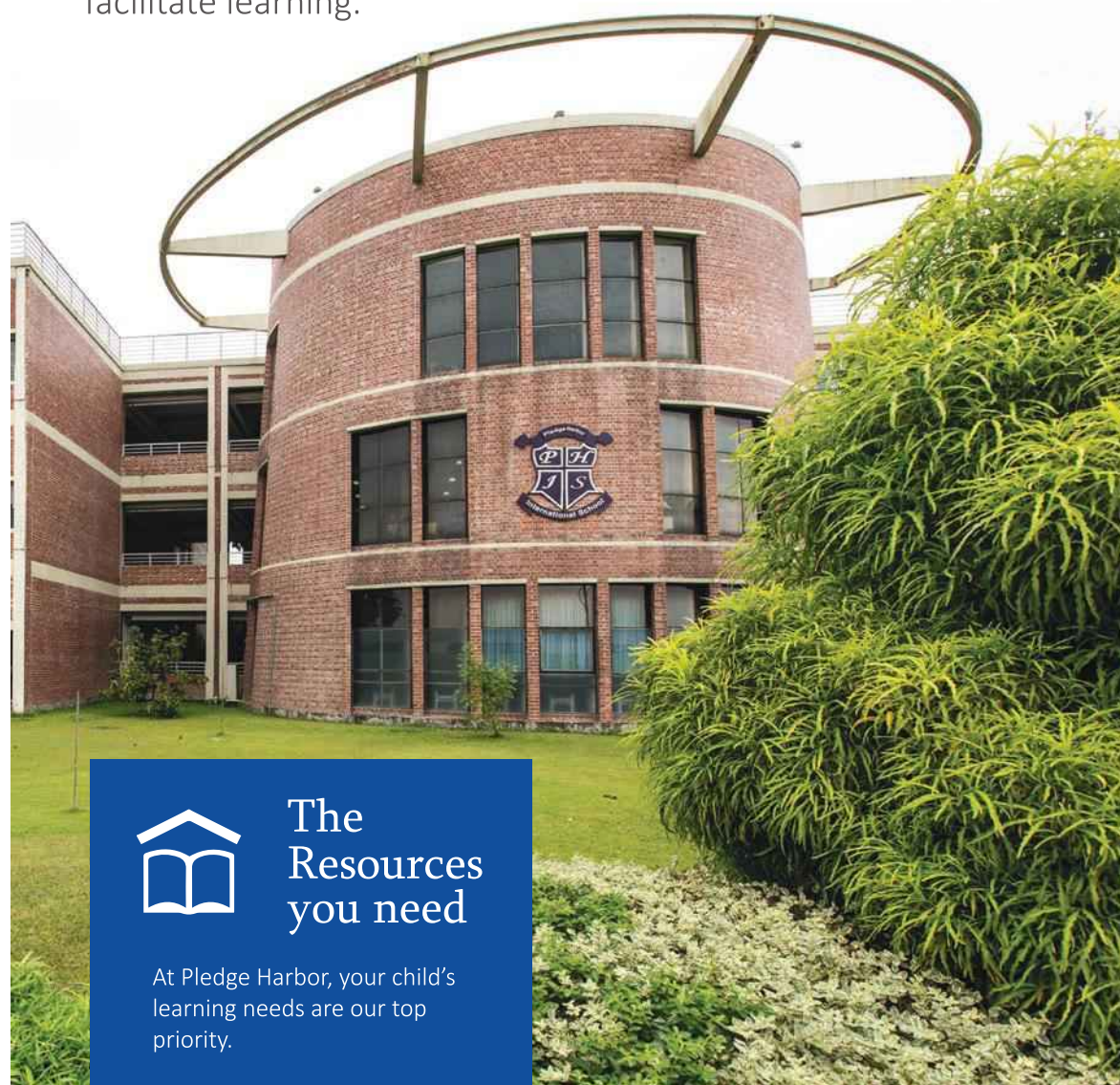
made in these residence halls will be some of the finest students will ever have. On graduating from PHIS, students would have a formidably connected network of lifelong friends and allies.

Students are stretched by the amount of academic work bestowed upon them - the depth and breadth of the academic courses are remarkable. With PHIS being a boarding school following the IB curriculum, students are not only passionately taught with the appropriate gravity for each level, but children develop a lifelong love for learning as well.

Being willing to work hard in class and play hard on the playing ground is all part of the college prep package PHIS offers as a world class boarding school.

Our campus and learning environment

Our 27-acre campus at the heart of lush green Maona is integrated with the latest contemporary amenities. Every corner of our campus is composed to facilitate learning.



The
Resources
you need

At Pledge Harbor, your child's learning needs are our top priority.

Classrooms –

Our classroom environment, teacher-student interaction and teaching methods are all carefully designed for students to develop a lifelong love for learning. PHIS' spacious and digitally equipped classrooms enable students to be more than spectators and develop as active participants in their own education.



Science Labs –

Our well-equipped science laboratories enable students to develop their methodical skills and become theoretically and practically advanced. There are four separate international standard laboratories in the school for Chemistry, Biology, Physics and one for the middle school. Our laboratories are well supervised and proper safety protections are maintained at all times for the welfare of students. PHIS's modern science & IT labs are all connected with wireless Internet access.



Library –

Our well stocked libraries and reading room provide a comfortable environment for student research and learning. With an extensive collection of over 9000 books, e-books, records and documents from all around the world, our library encourages and facilitates students to be aware of global art, culture, music, literature, science and all genres of worldwide disciplines. Students can also access our online library and read our wide assortment of e-books and online documents in their laptops & tablets.

Art Studios –

PHIS offers outstanding facilities to enhance student creativity, providing varieties of instruments in the music room, a drama studio, auditorium and a visual arts studio, which enable students to pursue their interests in art & culture. Cultural programs, drama plays, art exhibitions and other showcases are just a few of the ways in which our apprentices can express their creativity & artistic flair.



A place of *your own*

For students, Pledge Harbor would be a place of their own, where they meet new friends, peers & make lifelong connections, graduating with a formidable network.



Our halls of residence offer comfortable living areas & common spaces.

Dormitories -

Boarding at PHIS fosters a spirit of independence and a lifelong adoration of learning. It ensures an eminent learning experience where students would develop skills they would not typically be able to in a conventional day school. Our campus and contemporary dormitories are remarkably comfortable. Living in the secure and cosy community, students are exposed to intellectual, physical and emotional challenges, which ensure that they discover personal strengths, cultivate self-confidence and comprehend the significance of progressive mutual endeavour.

The companionships made in these residence halls will be some of the finest a student will ever have. On graduating from PHIS, students would have a formidably connected network of lifelong friends and allies.

Student safety, security and well-being are our top priority; the dormitory is divided into separate segments and gender segregated building blocks. Both the boarding houses incorporate dining facilities, medical care, gaming rooms, communal areas and prayer rooms. Experienced housemasters live in each block and support the boys and girls in their studies, organization and overall welfare. Our experienced lady housemasters maintain the female dormitories and halls of residence.

Being independent & living away from family, children discover new strengths & potencies among them, evolving into complete individuals.



Medical -

Our onsite medical centre is administered by our highly experienced and qualified campus doctors, who are available 24/7 for any sort of medical emergency. Our medical team also consists of both male and female nurses. Our infirmary is equipped with the latest instruments & software required; the medical staff uses the Health & Information Management System (HIMS) in order to keep proper records and to provide instantaneous medical information and historical data for every member of the Pledge Harbor community.

Students are obligated to obtain frequent health check-ups from our doctor to ensure good health and overall well-being.



Cultural Activities

At PHIS, we strive to educate and nurture global citizens. Part of this audacious task requires providing our students with a foundational level of cross-cultural competence. In doing so, we conduct quite a few cultural activities throughout the year. We celebrate and recognize various cultural and religious occasions, which include :

- International Mother Language Day
- Independence Day
- Bengali New Year
- Eid-ul-Fitr
- Eid-ul-Adha
- Durga Puja
- Diwali
- Victory Day



Meals -

Our students are provided with a nutritionist recommended, well balanced, professionally prepared, and routinely observed meal schedule. Students enjoy three square meals as well as three snack (Tiffin) breaks.

Security & Safety -

At PHIS we have a four-tiered security system of :

1. Government armed guards
2. PHIS's private security force
3. Security officers work 24/7
4. CCTV & IP Cameras

The security forces are overseen and advised by a private security service. PHIS security forces supervise the campus entrance and premises to ensure optimum security and safety for the students, teachers and the staff.

Surveillance cameras (CCTV & IP Cameras) are situated in all areas to monitor the safety, supervision, and operation of campus. Each dormitory has security posted at the entrance and patrolling security personnel in the residence halls. Evaluation drills are performed regularly to keep them prepared for any unforeseen circumstances. In addition to the on-campus security force, local police surveillance is supervised and maintained by the Bangladesh Government.



Gymnasium -

Our gym is well equipped with training equipment and machineries. Our fitness instructor assists students towards being healthy individuals.



Tuck Shop -

PHIS will provide all initial classroom supplies and stationery products for students (pens, pencils, paper, rulers etc). After the students have used the initial classroom supplies, they will need to purchase the additional items from the campus tuck shop. Additionally, food items and snacks, which are not included in daily meals, can be purchased from the tuck shop. All the supplies ordered will be deducted from the deposit amount specified for tuck shop usage.



Sports -

Apart from maintaining a high standard of education, PHIS emphasizes on the physical well-being of students as well. Physical conditioning, sports specific fundamentals, team play, sportsmanship and dedication are imperative to overall physical & psychological growth. Hence, on our 27-acre campus, there are numerous indoor & outdoor sports facilities and activities; training, games & tournaments that students participate in throughout the year are instructed by our specialist trainers and fitness instructors.

Some of the sports facilities at PHIS are:

- Football
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Handball
- Volleyball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Badminton
- Table Tennis



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What Can You *Study*?

Curriculum

Pledge harbor International School provides a global curriculum and have adopted the philosophy and framework of the programmes of the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). The IB has provided a rigorous curriculum and assessment for pre-university students around the world for over four decades in the form of the International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB Diploma). The school achieved worldwide reputation in 2015 and has been authorized in 2016 by the International Baccalaureate Organization [IBO] to implement the Diploma Programme, with the first cohort of students commencing their studies from August 2016. The school also has been accredited for Middle Years Program. The curriculum is fully integrated and provides stimulating opportunities for all students. PHIS have achieved the

status for the IB PYP.

The IB Primary Years and Middle Years Programmes have been specifically developed for young learners and the principal goal is to provide common learning experiences for students in international schools worldwide. These programmes have been designed to be flexible, stimulating, creative and academically challenging.

We have also introduced Day School from Kindergarten till grade 10.



Holistic Education

Throughout your time here, everything you face is tailored to ensure you are equipped with numerous proficiencies to advance towards higher education, a prosperous career and mature as a well-rounded global citizen.

School Division

Early Years	Crèche and KG
Primary Years Program (IB PYP – Candidate school)	Grade 1- 5
International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program	Grade 6-10
International Baccalaureate Diploma Program	Grade 11-12

Early Years

The Early Years curriculum is specifically designed for children aged 3 to 6 years. Children are taught in a facility designed to meet their needs with additional facilities that are developmentally challenging such as appropriate outdoor play area including climbing apparatus, tricycles, a sand pit and sports equipment. Each classroom is equipped with computers and the best educational resources. The teaching staff in Early Years is trained and experienced and learning environments are carefully planned by the teachers to achieve their objectives and meet the needs of the students.



Middle Years Programme

Pledge Harbor International School has been accredited for the Middle Years Programme.

The MYP is designed for students’ aged 11-16. It provides a framework of learning, which encourages students to become creative, critical and reflective thinkers. The MYP emphasizes intellectual challenge, encouraging students to make connections between their studies in traditional subjects and to the real world. It fosters the development of skills for communication, intercultural understanding and global engagement, qualities that are essential for

life in the 21st century. Students who complete the MYP are well prepared to undertake the IB Diploma Programme.



The MYP curriculum framework comprises eight subject groups, providing a broad and balanced education for early adolescents. The MYP requires at least 50 hours of teaching time for each subject group, in each year of the programme. In the final two years of the programme, carefully defined subject group flexibility allows students to meet local requirements and personal learning goals.

IB Diploma Programme

Pledge Harbor International School has been accredited for the Diploma Programme.

The IB Diploma Programme (DP) is an academically challenging and balanced programme of education with final examinations that prepare students, aged 16 to 19 for success at university and life beyond that. It has been designed to address the intellectual, social, emotional and physical well being of students. The programme has gained recognition and respect from the world’s leading universities. The Diploma Programme prepares students for effective participation in a rapidly evolving global society as they :

- Mature physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically

- Acquire breadth and depth of knowledge and understanding, studying courses from six subject groups.
- Develop the skills and a positive attitude towards learning that will prepare them for higher education.
- Learn at least two languages and increase understanding of diverse cultures, including their own.



The curriculum contains six subject groups together with the DP Core: Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS); the Extended Essay (EE); and Theory of Knowledge (TOK). The Diploma Programme model illustrates this. Candidates studying for the full Diploma select six subjects from the subject groups. Normally three subjects are studied at higher level (courses representing 240 teaching hours), and the remaining three subjects are studied at standard level (courses representing 150 teaching hours). All three parts of the core—extended essay, theory of knowledge and creativity, activity, service—are compulsory and are central to the philosophy of the Diploma Programme.

Why Study International Baccalaureate?



The International Baccalaureate focuses on developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

IB programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences are to be respected and valued.

Advantages of IB

Students at IB World Schools are given a unique education. IB incorporates concepts of holistic education which guides students towards evolving as global citizens. Furthermore, students will :

- be encouraged to think independently and drive their own learning
- develop the skills and a positive attitude towards learning that will prepare them for higher education
- take part in programmes of education that can lead them to some of the highest ranking universities around the world
- become more culturally aware
- learn at least two languages and increase understanding of diverse cultures including their own
- engage with people in an increasingly globalized, rapidly changing world



IB World School students develop strong academic, social and emotional characteristics; they are also more likely to perform well academically.

How to *Apply*

two easy ways

There are two easy ways you can send an application to us

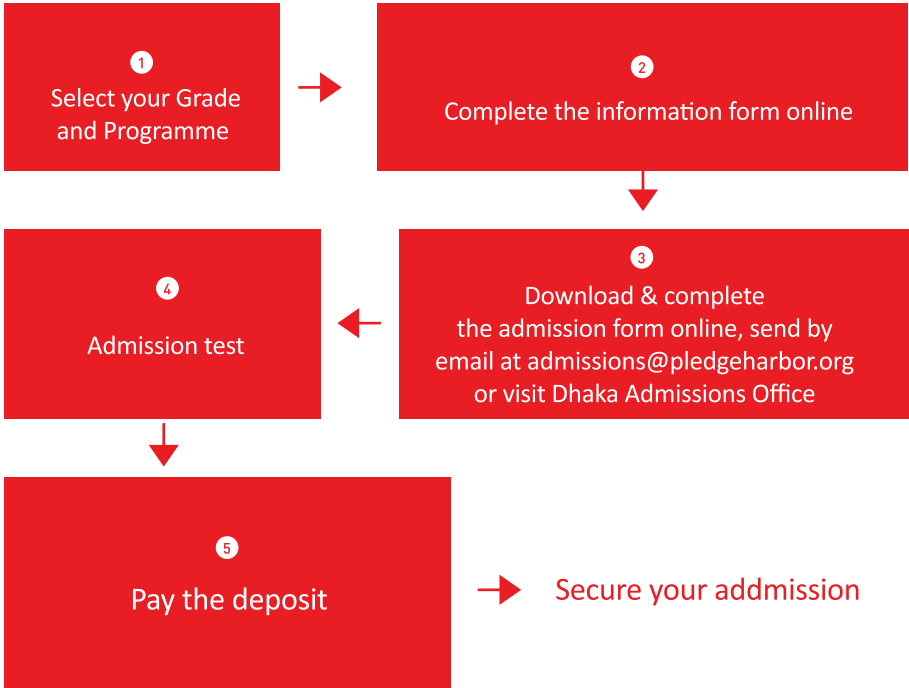
1 Online

Students can apply online from our website by downloading the application and sending us the completed form by email.

2 Paper application

Application form is also available for collection at PHIS admissions office.

Your easy step guide to the application process:



Admission process

- Students are required to sit for an admission test in three subjects: English, Bengali and Mathematics.
- Candidates and their parents are required to visit the campus for an interview with the Principal and/or the Programme Coordinator for the final selection process.
- Medical test are mandatory for students above grade-6.
- Submit all documents as per the checklist by email at admissions@pledgeharbor.org or directly to the PHIS Admissions Office, Dhaka.
- Successful candidates will be offered admission to the school based on his/her performance on PHIS' admission tests, previous educational experience, scores and emotional stability.

International students

Admission to Pledge Harbor International School is open to students of all nationalities; we are strongly against any sort of discrimination such as race, religion, or ethnic background. For enquiries & admission information, please send us an email at admissions@pledgeharbor.org or contact us telephonically.

Application forms can be obtained electronically through our website www.pledgeharbor.org on the Admission page.

<http://pledgeharbor.org/admission/>



Admission

- Apply
- Admission Test
- Campus Visit

Scholarships

Scholarships on tuition fees are awarded annually for exceptional students from grade 3 to grade 10. For scholarships, students are assessed on the overall academics, extra-curricular activities and much more. Students must submit the following portfolio of information while applying for scholarship.

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- Last 2 year's academic results.
- A short essay describing why the student deserves a scholarship, their goals in life and how they are going to achieve it
- Volunteering, extracurricular activities & other relevant certificates.
- A reference from a previous school teacher.



PHIS
Scholarship

Financial aid is provided to students with exceptional talents.



tête-à-tête

In conversation with . . .

In our school, we the students organize and plan our extracurricular activities. It's great that we are getting the opportunity to do something bigger –

Mahfuza Laohe Rumman
(Student, grade- 8).

I have got the opportunity to visit many countries and schools abroad but I think that Pledge Harbor's campus is one of the loveliest and most organized I have seen –

Mahabubur Rahman (Father of Mahadi Rahman Ariyan, Grade – 8).

Both the foreign and local teachers at PHIS are very experienced. My children can learn from the multicultural environment and obtain the guidance from foreign teachers –

Ruhul Islam (Parent of Nazmur Shakib Redwan – Grade 10)



Student Development Centre

The student service centre delivers support and facilitates programmes to help students reach their full potential.

The programmes incorporate many aspects to encourage talented students and assist students experiencing difficulties in learning. Specialist teachers design individual plans and targets for each student's exclusive learning objectives.

• ESL

The ESL (English as a Second Language) programme is essential for many students who require support to develop aspects of their English such as reading, writing, verbal and oral communication skills. Specialist teachers assist students through intensive English classes in the ESL programme.

• Guidance & Counselling

Specialist counsellors offer guidance & counselling with academic, personal and social issues. The concentration is usually on dealing with real life situations effectively, social skill development, enhancing psychological growth and academic progression. Furthermore, senior students are offered advice on higher studies and career formation.

Keep *in touch*

If you have any questions about the school, we are ready to assist, be it by phone, email, website chat, Facebook or even up front at our Admission Office.



Say *hello!*

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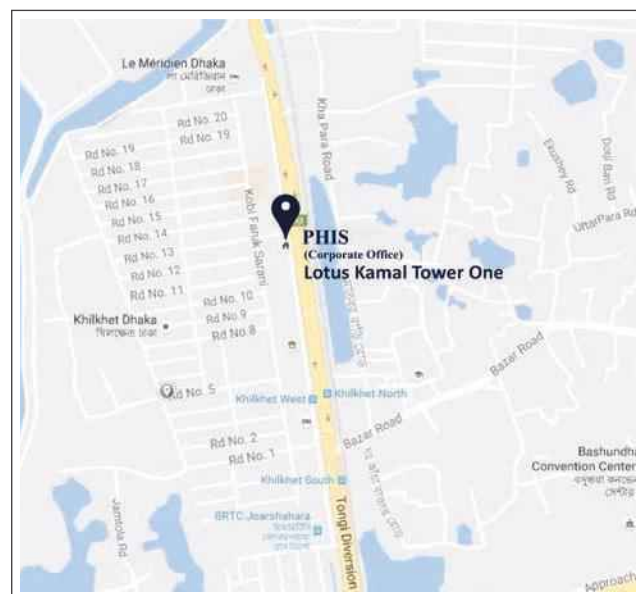
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▼ Admission Office



Admission Office Visit

If you want to discuss about your education & the school or would like information, give us a call and we will arrange an appointment with one of our admission officers.

Admission Officers are available :

Saturday – Thursday
9am-5pm

Admission Office

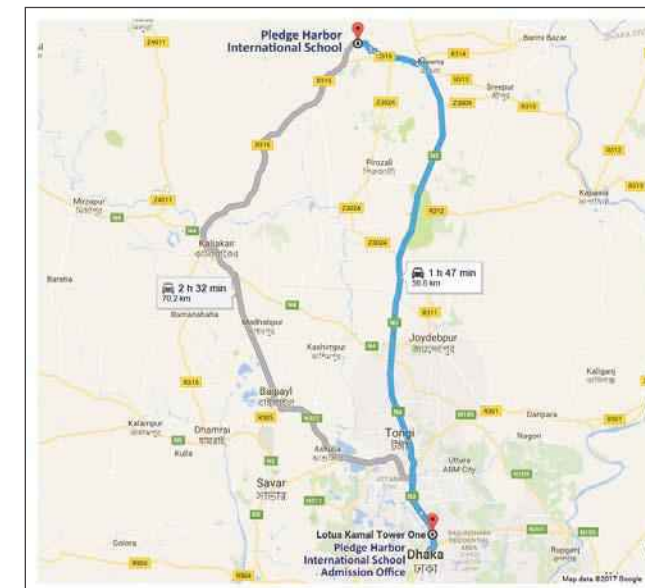
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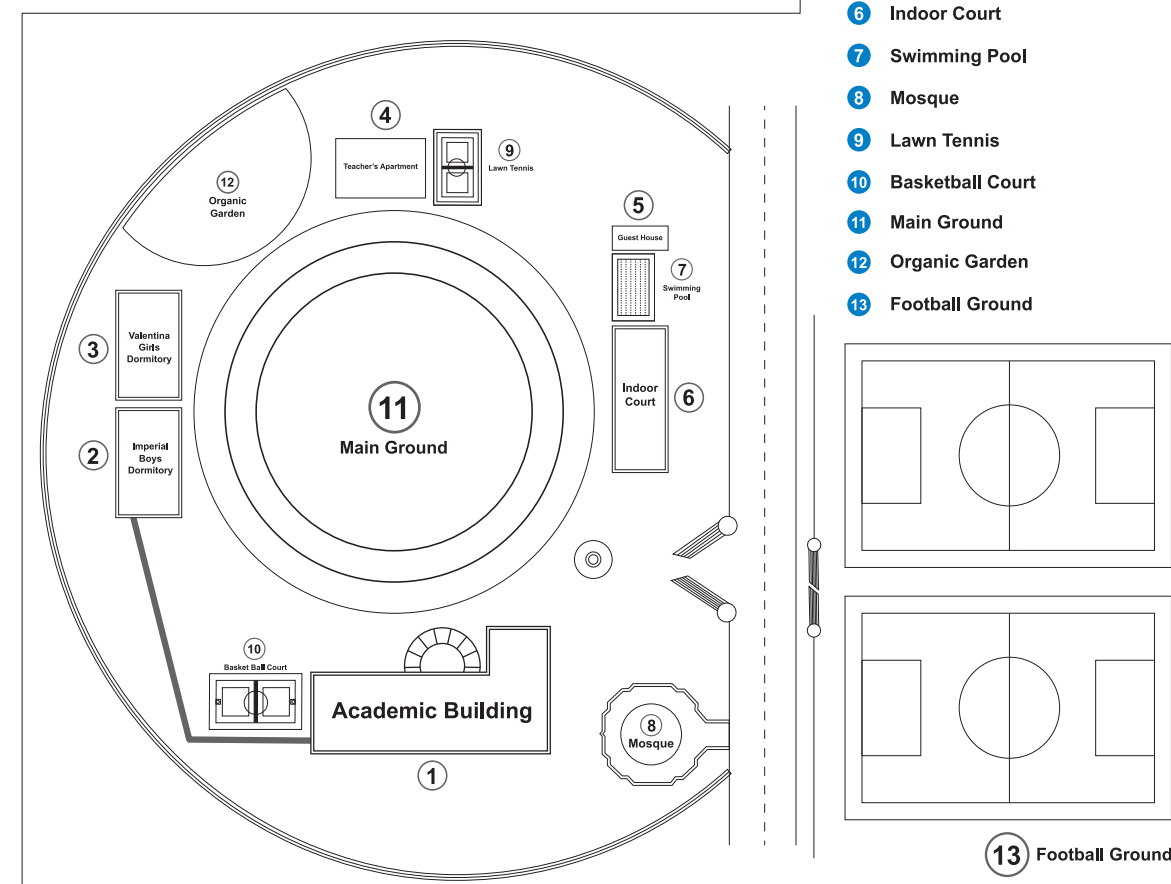
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How to get to campus from Dhaka

Getting to our campus at Maona, Gazipur is fairly simple and is supported by a straight road from Uttara towards Maona. Once you get down from Maona flyover, take the first left and follow the PHIS direction boards for 5 kms.



▼ Overview of the campus





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