



Special Needs

Lucaya International School is a college-preparatory school. It is also a school that is committed to meeting the needs of every child it accepts. At present, the school has limited facilities for dealing with children with differences that result in their academic performance being significantly lower than average in one or more academic areas.

The following regulates the admission and retention of students with learning differences:

- ❑ LIS will not admit students with serious learning differences but will accept those with mild to moderate differences
- ❑ Early diagnosis and referral are essential
- ❑ For students admitted to the school, who later exhibit serious learning differences, the emphasis will be on early diagnosis and appropriate in school and out of school help.
- ❑ If it is felt by the Headmaster, taking everything into consideration, that a child is not able to benefit from the programmes here, the counselling out must be done sympathetically and personally on a timely basis
- ❑ Families may be charged a supplementary fee if extra staffing is deemed necessary by the Headmaster for the individual assistance of a particular child
- ❑ The default should be towards keeping children at the school but not at the cost of her/his education or the education of others

All teachers are expected to view themselves as "special needs" teachers in various ways, to educate themselves accordingly and to act in the interests of each child.

The Headmaster is charged with laying down specific procedures to cover the admission of children with learning differences. He/she is also charged with laying down procedures to govern any case in which a child already enrolled at the school is diagnosed with a specific learning difference.

Parents/guardians of children with learning differences, or who are suspected of having learning differences, are expected to cooperate fully with the school's authorities. Failure to do so may result in the school's refusing admission to, or requiring the withdrawal from school of, a student.