VIS Placement Policy

When families educate their children outside their home countries, they very often ask the question What grade will my child be placed in?

Well, as you are aware students enrolled at Vienna International School come from over 110 different countries in the world and currently 86 different mother tongues are spoken amongst the near 1400 students enrolled. Candidates for admission to our school will be placed by age and school history.

When a discrepancy between our Placement Policy and the parent requested anticipated Grade at entry occurs, the Admissions Coordinator and the respective school's Admissions Team consisting of the respective School Principal, the Educational Psychologist, the Learning Support and/or ELA Leaders, Counselor and School Doctor, will start the internal review process and consider all available information provided on the candidates online application. If any additional information about your child is requested for making a final admissions decision you will be contacted. In case the Admissions Team decide on a different placement



to the one requested by the parents the decision will be communicated to the parents via the online application OpenApply.

Grade	Age Group	Date for Entry – students must be	
ELC, Early Learning Centre	3+ year olds	3 years of age at the date of entry	
ELC, Early Learning Centre	4+ year olds	4 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
GP, Grade Primary	5-6 year olds	5 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 1	6-7 year olds	6 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 2	7-8 year olds	7 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 3	8-9 year olds	8 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 4	9-10 year olds	9 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 5	10-11 year olds	10 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 6	11-12 year olds	11 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 7	12-13 year olds	12 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 8	13-14 year olds	13 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 9	14-15 year olds	14 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 10	15-16 year olds	15 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 11	16-17 year olds	16 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	
Grade 12	17-18 year olds	17 years of age by 31 August of the current school year	

Please see more on the VIS Placement Policy below:

Grade Comparison List

Age-range	VIS, Vienna Int'I School, Austria	Ecolint Geneva Switzerland	UNIS NY, USA	Austrian schools	AIS Vienna	UK schools
3-4 year olds	ELC, 3	Pre-Reception	-	Kindergarten	-	Pre School
4-5 year olds	ELC, 4	Reception	Pre-K	Kindergarten	PreK	Reception
5-6 year olds	Grade Primary	Class 1	Junior A	Vorschulklasse	KG	Year 1
6-7 year olds	Grade 1	Class 2	Junior 1	1. Volksschule	Grade 1	Year 2
7-8 year olds	Grade 2	Class 3	Junior 2	2. Volksschule	Grade 2	Year 3
8-9 year olds	Grade 3	Class 4	Junior 3	3. Volksschule	Grade 3	Year 4
9-10 year olds	Grade 4	Class 5	Junior 4	4. Volksschule	Grade 4	Year 5
10-11 year olds	Grade 5	Class 6	Middle 1	1. Mittelschule/ 1. Gymnasium	Grade 5	Year 6
11-12 year olds	Grade 6	Class 7	Middle 2	2. Mittelschule/ 2. Gymnasium	Grade 6	Year 7
12-13 year olds	Grade 7	Class 8	Middle 3	3. Mittelschule/ 3. Gymnasium	Grade 7	Year 8
13-14 year olds	Grade 8	Class 9	Middle 4	4. Mittelschule/ 4. Gymnasium	Grade 8	Year 9
14-15 year olds	Grade 9	Class 10	T1 (G9)	5.Gymnasium	Grade 9	Year 10
15-16 year olds	Grade 10	Class 11	T2 (G10)	6. Gymnasium	Grade 10	Year 11
16-17 year olds	Grade 11	Class 12	T3 (G11)	7. Gymnasium	Grade 11	Year 12
17-18 year olds	Grade 12	Class 13	T4 (G12)	8. Gymnasium	Grade 12	Year 13

