

Dulwich College Suzhou

Suzhou, China

In Suzhou's canal district, a century-old house tradition underpins an IB programme ranked among China's best

RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	68/100
Academic outcomes	73/100
University placement	72/100
Prestige & heritage	61/100
Alumni network	56/100
Facilities	75/100
Transparency	71/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

Dulwich College Suzhou sits in the upper tier of Suzhou’s international market: an established day school for ages 11–18 with the weight of the Dulwich name behind it, a bilingual operating context in English and Mandarin, and a clear academic selling point in the IB. The hard number that matters is the school’s published **2025 IB average of 36.92 points**, with a **100% pass rate**, **4%** of candidates achieving a perfect **45**, and **88%** securing A or B in TOK. Those figures place it firmly on a serious academic shortlist. The school’s own language leans heavily on care, community and global citizenship; the more concrete point is that Dulwich couples that pastoral pitch to results strong enough to matter in university admissions.

What marks it out is the combination of *old-school house tradition* and a modern international-school product. The editorial tagline is not fluff: the house structure gives the school a visible organising principle beyond lessons and exams, and that matters in a market where many schools promise belonging but deliver a transactional campus experience. Dulwich also benefits from the discipline of a recognised group brand. Parents know what they are buying: a secular, English-medium international education with Mandarin in the mix, accredited by CIS, COBIS and the IB. The weakness is the usual one with premium network schools: polished language can run ahead of useful detail. The school publishes headline IB outcomes, which is good, but parents who want deeper disclosure on subject-level performance, university destinations by cohort, or admissions selectivity will need to ask directly.

This school belongs on the shortlist for families who want *structured ambition* rather than experimental education. It suits students who are academically capable, comfortable in a high-expectation environment, and ready to use the IB as a route to selective universities. It also suits children who benefit from *clear pastoral scaffolding* and from being known inside a house-based system rather than drifting through an anonymous large campus. The pupil who thrives here is not just a grade-chaser; Dulwich sells

community with edge, and the best fit is a student who wants both. For families in Suzhou Industrial Park, that is a *compelling local option* with *credible academic firepower*.

STRENGTHS

- Ages 2-18 on one campus.
- British curriculum with IB results published.
- 2025 IB average 36.92 points.
- 100% IB pass rate in 2025.

TRADE-OFFS

- Website gives no fee information.
- No accreditation details published here.
- Pastoral claims outweigh concrete school data.

ADMISSIONS

Dulwich College Suzhou is a private international school in Suzhou Industrial Park taking pupils from age 2 to 18, so the obvious entry points are Nursery/early years, Junior School and Senior School. The school's own site groups these as ages 2-7 (DUCKS), 7-11 (Junior School) and 11-18 (Senior School). Beyond that, the public material provided says little about admissions mechanics. It does not set out published application deadlines, rolling versus fixed entry, or whether places are mainly offered at the usual transition years.

The school also does not publish, in the material supplied here, a clear account of its assessment format, interview process or any distinctive selection stages. Nor is there any public information in these sources on bursaries, scholarships or means-tested financial aid. For families, that means the sensible assumption is that details are handled directly by the admissions team rather than fully spelled out online. In practical terms, ask specifically about age cut-offs, seat availability in the relevant year group, any English-language or academic screening, and whether any fee support exists at all.

WTS RATING 

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