



BCS Fee Schedule

School Year 2025/2026



As a non-profit educational institution in the heart of Berlin, EBS Europäische Bildungstiftung gGmbH prepares children and adolescents from infancy onwards for nationally- and internationally-recognised school qualifications. Berlin Cosmopolitan School (BCS) includes a full-day Kindergarten & Preschool, an "Offene Ganztagschule" Primary School, and a full-day Secondary School (Gymnasium). It is our goal for our students to become enlightened and responsible world citizens who live their lives with confidence. We focus on academic performance, multilingualism, and developing social and intercultural skills.

To achieve this goal, we work with dedicated and professional teachers, well-equipped rooms, modern teaching and learning materials and offer a diverse afternoon programme and healthy food. Our children and students learn in a multilingual environment and enjoy the benefits of the international community to develop a well-educated, bilingual self. BCS follows the standards of the International Baccalaureate Organisation, as well as the educational guidelines of the state of Berlin.

The school fees are parents' contribution to the costs of all BCS activities. The non-profit status of our school ensures that every euro is invested in high-quality teaching and the continuous improvement of a modern learning environment for children and students.

1. Monthly fees

Parents pay income-based school fees (see table) based on the grade level of the student, and the family income (the sum of the positive earnings of all parents/legal guardians). To be eligible for fees, parents must annually submit a copy of their income tax assessment form as well as the "self-assessment for fee calculation" form by June 1 before the new school year. If parents choose not to claim school fees or do not submit their tax form or the above form before the deadline, fees are calculated as listed under "without proof of income", as per the table below. BCS reserves the right to review the income statements and the form for factual accuracy.

1.1 BCS tuition fee

Monthly payment / 12 Months

Income EUR	Grades 1-6 EUR	Grades 7-10 EUR	Abitur 11-12 EUR	IB Diploma 11-12 EUR
From 30,000	231	252	265	293
From 32,500	274	289	301	327
From 35,000	357	379	398	414
From 37,500	392	422	453	471
From 40,000	433	575	569	593
From 60,000	530	689	737	772
From 80,000	600	828	892	932
From 100,000	694	950	1018	1084
From 130,000	769	1033	1093	1171
From 160,000	838	1095	1154	1248
From 180,000	900	1160	1220	1320

For students from families with verified gross annual income of up to EUR 30,000, the provisions in Section 2.8 apply.



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1.2 Parental contribution for all-day care

Monthly payment / 12 months

Grades 1-6 (EUR) After-school voucher until 6:00 p.m.	Grades 1-6 (EUR) After-school voucher until 4:00 p.m.	Grades 1-6 (EUR) Without after-school voucher
20–243*	15–182*	480

* Parental contribution according to the guidelines of the Day care cost Co-Payment Act (TKBG), income based; **Grade 1 and 3 will get a voucher from 1.30 pm – 4.00 pm without a formal review.** Nonetheless an application must be submitted.

1.2.1 Parental contribution for all-day support / LS (day care)

Grades 1–6

BCS offers supervision in the open all-day primary school from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For this reason, in addition to the school contract, a separate after-school care contract is concluded for afternoon care from 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. To this end, parents must submit an application for supplementary support and care (eFöB) at general education schools to their competent district office. A copy of the after-school voucher must be submitted to the school by 15 June or, at the latest, within two months after conclusion of the contract; otherwise, the substitute fee pursuant to Section 1.2.2 becomes due. The amount of the parental contribution is income-dependent and is determined by the competent authorities in accordance with the Day Care Costs Participation Act (TKBG). If only an after-school voucher valid until 4 p.m. is available, BCS may charge a surcharge of 75 EUR.

1.2.2. Parental contribution for afternoon care / LS (Hort) without a voucher

Grades 1–6

If you do not provide the school with a voucher, an additional fee of EUR 480 per month is charged for the afternoon programme.

1.2.3 Afternoon programme from grade 7

The afternoon programme is part of the BCS secondary school curriculum and is therefore mandatory.

1.3 Catering

Monthly payment / 12 months

For nutritional reasons all students must participate in school lunches school lunch (two options, salad and dessert, the kitchen can cater to allergies). In addition, students receive an afternoon snack and water and tea and, as of grade 6, breakfast. The fee listed below for grades 1–6 is charged for this service. Lunch for grades 1–6 is financed by the Berlin Senate, provided that the Hortgutschein (afternoon care voucher) is submitted. All meals are prepared in-house by professional catering staff and designed for specific age groups.

Grades 1-5 EUR	Grade 6 EUR	Grade 7-12 EUR
18 (afternoon snack)	30 (breakfast and afternoon snack)	99 (breakfast and lunch)
Grade 1: 30 (breakfast and afternoon snack)		



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2. Administrative fees

2.1 Application fee

One-time payment

A one-time application fee of 50 EUR is charged for each student who receives an invitation to an entrance test. This fee is waived for families with verified positive annual income below 30,000 EUR.

2.2 Registration fee

One-time payment

The registration fee is 1,200 EUR per student and is due upon conclusion of the contract. For families with annual gross family income of less than 40,000 EUR, this fee is reduced to the amount of the monthly tuition fee, and it is waived entirely where annual family income is up to 30,000 EUR. This fee is not charged when a student transfers from BCS primary school to the BCS secondary school.

2.3 Prepayment

One-time payment

This fee is payable upon signing the contract and will be counted as a prepayment for the last three months at BCS. Families with a proven gross family income of less than EUR 40,000 are exempted from this payment, given, they request exemption before signing the contract. For this purpose, please send an informal request to mail@cosmopolitanschool.de before signing the contract. The advance payment is waived for families with verified positive annual income below 30,000 EUR.

	Grades 1–6 EUR	Grades 7–12 EUR	Due date
Application fee	50	50	Invitation to entrance test
Registration fee	1,200	1,200	Upon conclusion of contract
Prepayment	1,350	1,350	Upon conclusion of contract

2.4 Learning and working materials

Annual payment / August 1st

BCS provides students with all textbooks and teaching materials.

For this purpose, parents pay a lump sum once per year. Should costs for grades 7 to 12 be higher, the prices for learning and working materials may be adjusted and/or recharged during the school year. This fee also includes the use of digital media, licences, etc.

	Grades 1–6 EUR	Grades 7–12 EUR	Grades 11–12 EUR	Due date
Learning and working materials	250	350		August 1 st
Working materials: Art Abitur and HL DP			150	August 1 st (one-time)

For families with annual gross income of up to 30,000 EUR (sum of all positive gross income), we charge 100.00 EUR per child.



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2.5 Additional fees

Other costs, such as materials for afternoon activities, external tests or examinations, learning support, class trips and other additional services, will be invoiced separately. We support holders of a BuT pass in applying for possible benefits. Additional examination fees apply for the IB Diploma examinations; the amount is determined by the IB Organisation and invoiced by us.

2.6 Sibling discounts

For families with more than one child at the school, we grant a sibling discount on tuition as follows:

2nd child 15% discount

3rd child 25% discount

4th child and each additional child 50% discount

Upon application, and where the economic circumstances of the parents / legal guardians justify it, we grant a sibling discount as follows:

2nd child 25% discount

3rd child 50% discount

4th child and each additional child 75% discount

2.7 Fee regulation to ensure compliance with the prohibition of social segregation and for socially-disadvantaged families

For families with verified annual gross income of all legal guardians of up to 30,000.00 EUR, tuition amounts to 100.00 EUR for the oldest child, 75.00 EUR for the second child, 50.00 EUR for the third child and 25.00 EUR for each additional child.

These families are fully exempt from payment of the application fee, admission fee and advance payment (Section 2.3).

School clothing is reduced in price or provided free of charge upon application for students from families with verified annual gross income of up to 30,000 EUR.

No charge is made for the afternoon snack and breakfast in primary school.

For learning and working materials, an amount of 100.00 EUR per school year per child is charged (see Section 2.4).

Our Finance Department supports families with a BuT pass in applying for these benefits, for example for class trips, teaching materials and lunch in the secondary school.

BCS maintains a quota for children from socially-disadvantaged families for a partial or full waiver of tuition.

Families with verified positive annual income of less than 40,000 EUR may, upon application and following detailed review, agree reduced fees with us.

3. Fee regulation for self-employed persons and in special asset situations

3.1 Tuition assessment for self-employed parents

Tuition is generally determined in accordance with the school's currently applicable fee table, which provides for an income-based scale.

If one or both parents are self-employed, tuition will be set on the basis of the regular fee table, but at a minimum of 350 EUR per month.



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The reason for this rule is that the actual income of self-employed persons can only be compared to the income of employees to a limited extent due to tax planning options, depreciation and fluctuating earnings.

In justified exceptional cases (e.g. demonstrably low income due to illness, business start-up or financial hardship), the management may, upon application and for a limited period, approve classification in a lower bracket. The application must be submitted in writing and supported by suitable documentation (e.g. income tax assessments, business evaluations).

3.2 Asset Situation

In justified cases, significant assets may also be considered in addition to current income if they materially increase the family's financial capacity.

This applies in particular in the case wherein there are cash assets, real estate assets or company shareholdings whose value exceeds 500,000 EUR.

In such cases, the school may increase the tuition by up to three levels of the fee table or set a minimum fee.

The school management will decide at its due discretion while safeguarding data protection.

Parents or legal guardians whose current income falls below the income levels provided for in the fee table are obliged to disclose the existence of substantial assets insofar as these are relevant to the assessment of their financial capacity.

Substantial assets include in particular:

- balances in bank and savings accounts,
- securities or portfolio assets,
- real estate assets (income-generating properties),
- company shareholdings or proceeds from the sale of a business,
- other assets with substantial market value.

Evidence of existing assets shall be provided by means of a written self-declaration by the parents stating the type and estimated value of the assets in an appropriate form. A precise listing or disclosure of all accounts and records is not required. What matters is a credible and comprehensible presentation of the asset situation.

In justified cases, the school may request additional documents to verify plausibility, for example:

- confirmation from a tax adviser regarding asset status,
- relevant extracts or documents with non-required data redacted,
- notarial or official evidence of the sale or acquisition of real estate or company shares.

All information and documents will be treated confidentially and used exclusively for the determination of tuition. They are accessible only to those persons entrusted with fee assessment and will be securely destroyed or deleted after completion of the calculation. No disclosure to third parties will take place.

The consideration of substantial assets serves to ensure a fair assessment of the families' actual financial capacity.