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### SISC successfully transitions to ISO 9001:2015

Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) has successfully transitioned from ISO 9001:2008 (process-based quality management system) to the most current version of ISO 9001:2015 (risk-based thinking). SISC now uses risk analysis in identifying challenges in the management of school processes to take preventative action to a new level. This standard update of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) is meant to reflect the changes brought about by increased globalization and technological advancements.

SISC was visited by auditors from TUV Rheinland last September 3, 2018 who conducted a series of meetings and internal audits with all departments of school administration and instruction. The auditors observed several processes of the institution like school management, classroom instruction, student evaluation, facilities and equipment maintenance, registration, security, public relations, human resource training, and other support services like guidance, medical, and canteen during the audit. During the closing meeting, the auditors gave positive verbal feedback announcing no non-conformances and recommending SISC for transition to ISO 9001:2015.

The certification is evidence of the school's commitment to enhance customer satisfaction by consistently meeting their requirements and continually improving the effectiveness of its quality management system. It means that the quality of SISC's processes and standards are on par with international



SISC undergoes its 1<sup>st</sup> external quality audit based on ISO 9001:2015 standard.

management systems to ensure quality education that meets students and parents' expectations.

## SISC celebrates 28th Foundation Month

As one of the premiere international schools in the country, SISC will celebrate its 28th Foundation Month this September. It toasts the growth of SISC as an educational institution in such a short span, and honors and expresses appreciation for the support of various stakeholders namely the past and present students, their parents and guardians, the teachers and staff, and the administrators from across divisions who contributed in making SISC the success that it is today, and aims to be in the future. To give teachers and employees the opportunity to join the activities slated during the Foundation Month, there will be no classes on the following days per level:

September 10, 2018 - Grades 6 - 8 September 11, 2018 - Grades 9 - 10 September 12, 2018 - Grade 12 and STAR and Munich Campuses September 14, 2018 - Grade 11

**Theme of** "Embracing Academic Rigor with Growth Mindset and Grit through the 5Cs **the Year:** (Competence, Character, Commitment to Achieve, Collaboration, Creativity)" STAR Campus Luxembourg Campus

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## Araw ng Wika shines in SISC

SISC joined the nation in its commemoration of Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa by celebrating Araw ng Wika last August 31, 2018 in STAR and Munich Campuses.

With the theme "Filipino: Wika ng Saliksik," a cultural presentation featuring student performers was held in recognition of Filipino as a common language that unites the nation. The students sang Original Pilipino Music, swayed to folk dances, recited Filipino verses, and shared local delicacies to promote appreciation of the Filipino language. The celebration also served as a wonderful time to inculcate the spirit of nationalism among Filipino students and give foreign students a vivid demonstration of the rich culture and heritage of the Philippines.

The Grades 6 - 9 will have their own Araw ng Wika celebration on September 13, 2018 while Grades 10 - 12 will celebrate theirs on September 19, 2018.



Students are awarded for coming in their Filipiniana best.

Rarenting Corner

# Raising bilingual children

Parents should recognize that in today's world, children are better off being bilingual/ multilingual. Children who develop the ability to speak more than one language see significant benefits socially and mentally. Here are some tips for raising bilingual children:

1. Try the One Person, One Language method. The One Person, One Language (OPOL) method is ideal in two-parent homes where one parent speaks in their first language, and the other parent speaks another. Each parent speaks to their child exclusively in their own language, thus exposing the child equally to both.



Thank you for attending the New Students and Parents Orientation and Coffee Chat with Parents

We would like to thank all the parents and guardians of students in Preschool - Grade 2 who attended the Coffee Chat with Parents and the new students and parents in the International Baccalaureate Program who attended the orientation last September 1, 2018. Your presence and active participation in the activity signify your strong commitment to be a vital part of the SISC community.

2. Take advantage of books, music, and other media. Children love to read, sing, and watch movies, and this can be used to help you teach them a second language. Some libraries have media in other languages, and fun and interactive songs can be found online as well. (https://www.klaschoolshillsboro.com/

tips-for-raising-bilingual-children/)



MALACA/V.A.T. Circles begin

MALACA (Mental ability, Academic achievement, Leadership, Athletics, Creativity, Arts) is SISC's concept of student giftedness. Founded in 1990 as a school for the gifted, SISC has made a commitment to develop learners whose knowledge levels surpass that of their peers in other academic institutions.

To support this initiative, the Vision And Tasks (V.A.T.) Circles were formed to address the Mental Ability and Academic Achievement areas of MALACA. Students with high mental ability scores or high achievement scores are grouped according to levels in the V.A.T. Circles, and are given special enrichment lessons in critical thinking/analysis, productivity, diligence, multiple intelligence, collaboration, and emotional intelligence.

By taking on challenging tasks and activities, V.A.T. members get to enhance their higher-order thinking skills, leadership ability, productivity and self-directedness, intra/interpersonal sensitivity and creativity.

### Have you read the student handbook?

SISC believes that well-informed parents promote a positive school environment. Students from Grades 1 - 12 and IB 1 and 2 were given a copy of the Student Handbook to inform them about general campus policies and procedures, standards of conduct, academic policies and procedures, and information about student support and services. Parents are asked to study this handbook with their children to help them have the best possible experience at school every day.

If you do not have a copy of the handbook yet, please inform your child's class adviser so you can be provided with one to support our mutual efforts to help your child succeed.



Monday, S	September 10, 2018
Snack:	Baked Macaroni Turon
Lunch:	Chicken Parmegiana
	Pork Caldereta
	Pork Sinigang
	Bangus Als Pobre Spicy Pork
	Chicken Cordon Bleu
	Grilled PorkChop
Tuesday, September 11, 2018	
Snack:	Pasta Carbonara
	Turon
Lunch:	Roast Pork Asado
	Pork Giniling Chicken Hotshots Curry
	Dory with Quail Egg
	Pork Teriyaki with Togue
	Tempura
Wednesday, September 12, 2018	
Snack:	Pasta Spaghetti
	Turon
Lunch:	Bangus Ala Monier Roast Pork with Mashed Potato
	Lumpiang Shanghai
	Fried Calamares
	Pork Salpicao
	Beef Caldereta
	Chicken Parmegiana
Thursday	, September 13, 2018
Snack:	Pancit Bihon
Lunaler	Turon
Lunch:	Pork Salpicao Orange Chicken
	Tempura
	Dice Dory with Quail Egg
	Bangus Sarciado
	Lechon Kawali
	Katsudon
Friday, September 14, 2018	
Snack:	Pasta Ala Telepono
Lunch	Turon
Lunch:	Crispy Kare-Kare Porkloin Asado
	Chicken Teriyaki with Togue
	Sweet n' Sour Dory
	Chicken Cordon Bleu
	Pork Stroganoff with Pasta
	Bangus Ala Pobre

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#### **REPLY SLIP**

A. ( ) I have received and read Students and Parents' Bulletin No. 6 AY 2018 - 2019.

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Student's Name

Level/Section