

Instructions: Use this checklist to work through the decisions you need to make about international schooling for your child or children. You may weigh the factors differently, with some factors being more important than others. You may also change your ratings over time as your child or children move through their education pathways. Revisit this checklist periodically to identify any factors which may have changed.

School Logistics

1. What education level(s) do you need?
 pre-primary primary secondary tertiary
2. Do you want a single gender school or a mixed gender school?
3. Do you need a school close to your home?
 Can you drive your children to school?
 Do you need a bus system (public or provided by the school)?
4. What size of school do you want?
 large medium small
5. What facilities do you want?
 playing and athletics fields swimming pool cafeteria theatre library
6. What extra-curricular activities do you want?

Public Schools versus Private International Schools

7. What are your public school options?
8. What are your private international school options?
9. What is your budget with respect to tuition if you select a private international school?

Language of Instruction

10. What language of instruction do you want?

- the local language your first language English another language

11. Do you want unilingual, bilingual or multilingual instruction?

Teaching and Learning

12. Do you want subject-area specialization?

- science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) liberal arts
creative arts sports

13. What curriculum do you want?

- your home country your host country American British
other English curriculum (Australian, Canadian)
an internationally mobile curriculum (International Baccalaureate, Montessori)

14. What methodology do you want?

15. What type of assessment do you want?

- formative (project) emphasis summative (exam) emphasis

16. What resources do you want to see used in the classroom?

17. What uses of technology for educational purposes do you want to see in the classroom?

18. What type of teacher do you want?

19. What type of school leadership do you want?

Delivery Modality and School Type

20. What delivery modality do you want?

- classroom distance online blended

21. What type of school do you want?

- boarding school day school homeschooling learning centre

Special Needs

22. Does your child have special needs?

- learning behavioural physical emotional

23. Do you have a recent assessment of those needs?

Global Citizenship Education

24. What underlying approach do you want the school to have with respect to global citizenship education?

Your Notes
