



SCHOOL HISTORY AND COMMUNITY

Centro Escolar Solalto is a private, nonprofit, bilingual, boys only, day school located in Guatemala. Founded in 1997 the school has grown to over 350 students and graduated its first senior class in 2007. Our students are people of integrity who:

- Have received a well-rounded academic experience
- Have formed a Catholic identity and values
- Are ready to go out and serve their families, communities, and society

Solalto is proud of its ability to provide an exceptionally rigorous academic program that is also inclusive to students with special learning needs.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Students are almost exclusively Guatemalan nationals, with some guest students from other Latin American countries.

School enrollment	381
Class of 2022	26
College matriculation	100% attended 4-year colleges; 15% matriculated abroad

HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

Solalto faculty has 47 members (94% are nationals and 6% are foreign). All faculty are certified teachers, and 80% hold advanced degrees.

Student-teacher ratio: 8:1
Maximum class size: 20

ACCREDITATION AND INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Guatemalan Ministry of Education
- International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO)
- Centre for University of Cambridge International Examinations
- International ACAC / NACAC (as part of APDE Schools Guatemala)
- College Board

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Solalto's school year begins in January and ends in mid-October. It consists of 180 school days organized into four quarters and it observes local Guatemalan holidays and schedules recesses in Easter, mid-June, and early autumn.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND CURRICULUM

- Students follow a common core, university preparatory bilingual curriculum as mandated by the Guatemalan Ministry of Education.
- In 9th & 10th Grades students take an average of 13 courses per year.
- In 11th & 12th Grades students complete the two-year International Baccalaureate Programme in addition to local requirements.
- Each full year academic course passed earns 1 credit. IB courses in Grades 11th & 12th are weighted with an additional 0.5 credit.
- Spanish is the main language of instruction (80% of the academic courses are taught in Spanish).

SCHOOLING YEARS

	Primary level						Secondary level						Total years	
US School Grades	Kinder	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	12
Guatemalan School Grades	Kinder	Preparatory/ Transition	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Arts	Arts	IB Spanish A HL (SPA)	IB Spanish A HL (SPA)
English B	Chemistry	IB English B HL	IB English B HL
Information Technology	English B	IB ITGS SL (Information Technology in a Global Society)	IB ITGS SL (Elective)
Math	Information Technology	IB Business SL (SPA)(Elective)	IB Business SL (SPA)(Elective)
Mayan Culture	Math	IB Mathematics applications and interpretation HL (SPA)	IB Mathematics applications and interpretation HL (SPA)
Music	Mayan Culture	IB Biology SL (SPA) (Elective)	IB Chemistry SL (SPA) (Elective)
Physical Education	Music	IB Physical SL (SPA) (Elective)	IB Biology SL (SPA) (Elective)
Productivity	Philosophy	IB Chemistry SL (SPA) (Elective)	IB Physical SL (SPA) (Elective)
Science	Physical Education	IB TOK (SPA)	IB TOK (SPA)
Social Sciences	Physics	IB Extended Essay (SPA)	IB Extended Essay (SPA)
Spanish A	Productivity	IB CAS (SPA)	IB CAS (SPA)
Theology	Social Sciences	Physical Education	Chemistry
	Spanish A	Philosophy	Theology
	Theology	Psychology	Arts
		Statistics	Graduation Seminar
		Theology	Statistics

Students in Solalto may select from the following paths to graduation:

- Guatemalan Ministry of Education Diploma with IB Bilingual Diploma
- Guatemalan Ministry of Education Diploma with or without IB certificates



CLASS RANK, GRADING, GPA

- Solalto does not rank students.
- All courses are included in the GPA (unweighted). We do not incorporate transfer grades in GPA.
- Students receive numeric grades on a 100 point scale. IB examinations scores ranges 1-7
- Solalto passing grade is 60.

2022		GPA Ranges	Students
Highest GPA	92	91-100	1
Lowest GPA	71	81-90	15
Mean	82	71-80	10
		60-70	0
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	EXCELLENT/ HIGH HONORS	ABOVE AVERAGE/ HONORS	AVERAGE/ GOOD	BELOW AVERAGE / SATISFACTORY	FAILURE
100% scale	91-100	81-90	71-80	60-70	59 or below
Literal	A	B	C	D	F
IB score	7-6	5	4	3	1-2
GPA	3.5 - 4	2.5 - 3.4	1.5 - 2.4	0.7 - 1.4	0.0

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Class of 2022 Grade Distribution by Course (year-end 2022)

Subject	90-100	80-89	70-79	60-69	50-59	40-49	Students
	A	B	C	D	F	F	
IB Spanish A HL (SPA)	3	9	12	2	0	0	26
IB English B HL	13	9	4	0	0	0	26
IB ITGS HL (SPA)(Elective)	4	4	3	1	0	0	12
IB Business SL (SPA)(Elective)	5	4	4	1	0	0	14
IB Math Studies SL (SPA)	6	8	9	2	1	0	26
IB Chemistry SL (SPA) (Elective)	5	6	7	5	1	0	24
IB Biology SL (SPA) (Elective)	2	2	2	0	1	0	7
IB Physical SL (SPA) (Elective)	4	6	6	4	1	0	21
IB TOK (SPA)	5	9	6	6	0	0	26
IB Extended Essay (SPA)	3	12	8	3	0	0	26
IB CAS (SPA)	21	4	1	0	0	0	26
Chemistry	7	16	3	0	0	0	26
Religion	19	5	2	0	0	0	26
Arts	9	16	1	0	0	0	26
Graduation Seminar	22	4	0	0	0	0	26
Statistics	6	7	9	4	0	0	26





IB DIPLOMA DATA

	2020	2021	2022
Diploma candidates	22	17	14
Diplomas obtained	22	16	4
Average score	28	28	26
Average grade obtained	4.5	4.7	4.3

CANDIDATES 2022

Total class size:	14
Sitting full IB exams:	8
Sitting IB certificates:	6

2022 IB DIPLOMA RESULTS BY SUBJECT

Course	No. of Candidates	Average Grade	World Average Grade
IB Spanish A HL	7	4.14	4.94
IB English B HL	11	5.82	5.07
IB Business Management SL	4	4.25	4.55
IB Chemistry SL	6	3.17	4.21
IB ITGS HL	5	4.80	4.42
IB Physical SL	4	3.25	3.98
IB Biology SL	1	3.00	4.01
IB Math Studies SL	7	3.14	4.45

UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS

To this date, Solalto has graduated more than 306 students (79% study in Guatemalan universities and 21% study abroad).

List of universities where students have matriculated from 2012-2023:

NAME OF UNIVERSITY	COUNTRY
EARTH University	Costa Rica
Universidad Del Valle de Guatemala	Guatemala
Universidad Francisco Marroquín	Guatemala
Universidad del Istmo	Guatemala
Rice University	USA
University of Dallas	USA
University of San Diego	USA
Columbia University	USA
University of Central Florida	USA
Carroll College	USA
St. Mary's College	USA
Universidad San Pablo	Spain
Georgetown University	USA
University of Toronto	Canada
Tecnológico de Monterrey	Mexico
Universidad Panamericana	Mexico
Universidad de Navarra	Spain

