



European
Joint
Support Unit

Education

Izmir





EDUCATION

EJSU Policy on Children's Education. EJSU Policy on Children's education is drawn from a platter of information and gives guidance specifically to those service personnel on assignment to an EJSU supported unit.

MEF International School (MEFIS). The MEFIS is the only school in Izmir that has been recommended by Service Children's Education (SCE), therefore it is imperative that you have given due consideration to the educational needs of your child (ren). A review of the school was conducted by Directorate of Children and Young People in May 22, a copy of the report is available upon request. On notification of your new assignment, you are advised to contact the MEF School to register your interest in enrolling your child (ren) and discuss their educational requirements. The MEFIS uses the Cambridge International School Curriculum and caters for children from Early Years, Reception 1 up to Secondary School, year 13. The MEFIS is currently located in Gaziemir which is approximately 25 miles from SFA in Guzelbache and 10 miles from the SFA in Izmir City Centre.

MEFIS is a fee-paying school and these costs are paid on your behalf by EJSU via the UK NSE. A Bus service with an escort is also available which takes your child to and from school and the cost for this service is covered EJSU HQ.

To enrol your child with the MEF, you are to contact it directly and submit your application, ensuring that the NSE is made aware of your intentions. Details for the MEF are as follows:

General Info: E-mail: info@mefis.k12.tr
Tel No: +90 232 274 7474
Fax: +90 232 274 7575
Website: www.mefinternationalschools.com
<mailto:bisadmin@bis.k.12.tr>

Alternative schooling options. Though we recommend the MEF International School based on the institution being accredited by DCYP, there are alternative educational institutions available in close proximity to where the community is located.

Preschool. Preschool (nursery education) is for 15 hours a week and is provided from the beginning of the term, after the term in which a child has his/her third birthday. The dates by which a child must have had his/her third birthday to qualify for free preschool are as follows:

- a. 1st September for Autumn Term admission.
- b. 1st January for Spring Term admission.
- c. 1st April for Summer Term admission.

It should be noted that the 3rd birthday must fall before, rather than on, the relevant cut-off date. Further information on nursery education and allowances can be obtained in 2022DIN01-008.



School Children's Visit.

Children at boarding school in the UK and those who are studying first degree are entitled to 6 returns or 12 single School Children's Visits (SCV) per academic year. Please refer to JSP 752 Part two, chapter four section 10 for a comprehensive read and how it may affect you. SCV travel is arranged by EJSU Travel Cell and must be submitted four weeks in advance of the proposed travel date. Please note that those children who are entitled to SCV, are not entitled to GYH(O).

Children with Special Needs.

The provision of SEN within the EJSU AOR is limited by the availability of places within specific SCE schools or the capacity of locally sourced schools to meet the requirement. Personnel who require SEN provision for their children must carry out the following actions prior to accepting an appointment within the EJSU AOR:

- a. For those children attending an SCE School, a full SEN enquiry is required to assess the needs of the child and whether these can be met. CEAS is the focal point for SEN.
- b. Check with the school that it can meet the requirements of their child.
- c. Check that funding approval has been given to fund the SEN of their child. CEAS will assess whether the costs are necessary before approval is granted by CO EJSU.