



GYMNASIUM SSST

Your future begins with us



Informative brochure





The student is always the focus of the academic and social life of the SSST High School. Here, no one goes unnoticed, hidden in the back seats, or left to fend for themselves in a time which we should remember as the most exciting stage in our life's journey.

We want to get to know you and discover your interests in order to create conditions that will enable you to develop academically as well as individually. Students inspire me anew every single day. I try to inspire them too. We want their time spent at SSST Gymnasium to be challenging and fun. Our goal is that when they graduate from this school, they go out into the world with excellent knowledge, make lifelong friendships, but also memories worth remembering.

Senad Alić, principal



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GYMNASIUM SSST



The SSST Gymnasium, founded by the University - Sarajevo School of Science and Technology (SSST), offers a comprehensive, advanced secondary education with an emphasis on academic learning. With an innovative approach, supported by the modern facilities of the Gymnasium and the help of professional and motivated teaching staff, our programs prepare students for undergraduate studies at leading domestic and international universities.

Our Gymnasium is part of the Cambridge International School family, but with a unique approach that combines the requirements of the national curriculum with the advantages of the world-renowned Cambridge Advanced program (A-levels) and the knowledge assessment system.

We believe in a practical approach to teaching that carefully guides students through their secondary education, an approach in which our teaching staff recognizes the challenges and demands of each student through the mentorship and consultation they provide to students. SSST Gymnasium has the task of developing and nurturing intellectual curiosity, instilling self-confidence in our students and providing not only knowledge, but also the means to learn - enabling them to meet the challenges of modern higher education with ease and enthusiasm.

We offer scholarships to our best students who decide to continue their further education at one of the eight faculties at SSST University: Computer Sciences, Information Systems, Economics and Business, Political Sciences and International Relations, Engineering Sciences, Modern Languages (English and German), Faculty of Medicine Sarajevo, and Sarajevo Film Academy.



Benjamin Buljubašić, IV-A



KNOWLEDGE THROUGH INSPIRATION

FACTS ABOUT GSST



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- ▶ **Classes in English**
- ▶ **Individual approach to each student**
- ▶ **Creative and innovative programs**
- ▶ **Dynamic and interactive lessons**
- ▶ **Quality teaching and administrative staff**
- ▶ **Modern teaching and learning methods**
- ▶ **State-of-the-art equipment and infrastructure**
- ▶ **Learning other foreign languages**
- ▶ **International cooperation and partnerships**



ENROLLMENT

SSST Gymnasium is proud of the fact that, through a comprehensive entrance exam that includes an interview, we know how to recognize the potential of each applicant. The basic criteria for admission to the SSST Gymnasium is knowledge of the English language. The level of English is tested in writing, but also through an interview conducted with the candidates by our professional teaching and administrative staff. It is very important to understand that the candidate's future and potential cannot be determined only on the basis of his primary school grades.

Our staff is trained to recognize other qualities of the candidate that he achieved through extracurricular activities and the like. That is why the interview is a very important link in the process of applying for admission.



All candidates who wish to enroll in the SSST Gymnasium are required to fill out the application form on our website: www.gsst.edu.ba. The tests are conducted from April to August every year, in the premises of the SSST Gymnasium, at the address Bistrik 7, Sarajevo, starting at 11:00 a.m. Please visit our website regularly to keep up to date with any changes.



My first choice was GSSST because it is the only one that has the modern and international approach. Fully studying in English is not common in many high-school, so if you are planning to study abroad and improve your English, you will love it!

AMILA ABAZOVIĆ, II-A

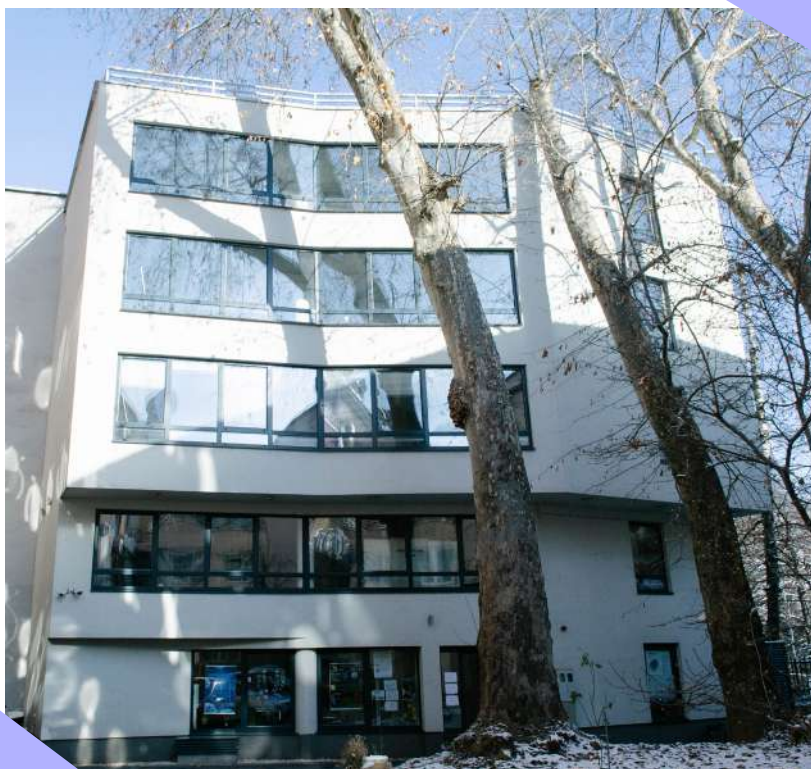
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FACILITIES

SSST Gymnasium continuously invests in infrastructure, teaching and other staff, ensuring that we reach the highest standards in teaching and provide the most advanced classrooms and equipment for our students in an inspiring work environment. Being part of the Cambridge International Schools family, we also adhere to the strict requirements of this prestigious international knowledge assessment system, ensuring that our laboratories and equipment for practical work and exams meet not only domestic, but also international quality criteria.





Located in the very center of Sarajevo, GSSST is a small oasis in the urban center, just a few meters away from all the main tourist attractions from the period of Austro-Hungarian rule and the Ottoman Empire. Our Gymnasium is close to all types of public transport, which makes it easier for our teaching staff to organize trips and extracurricular activities.



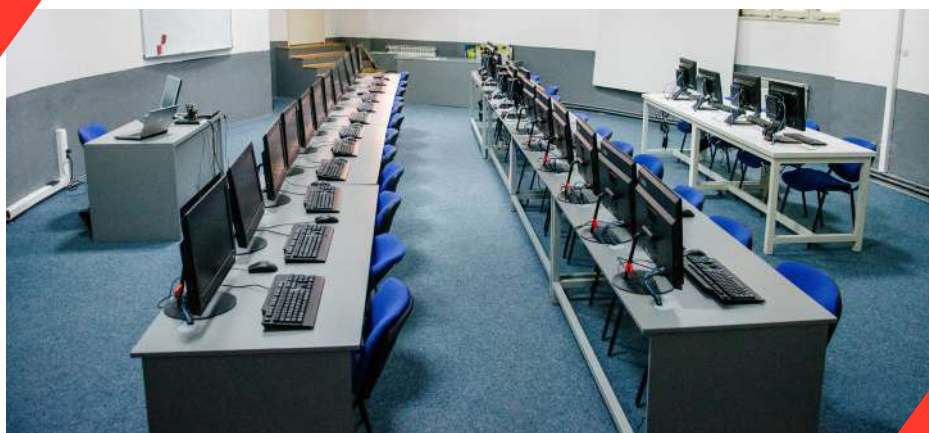
- ▶ Modern classrooms equipped with full HD, wireless projectors
- ▶ Fully equipped laboratories for chemistry, physics and biology
- ▶ T laboratory for programming and work in Adobe software

Cinema room equipped with a surround sound system and technology for playing movies in 4K resolution

Library

Cafeteria







PROGRAM



GSSST curriculum

Our Gymnasium has been registered as a Cambridge International School and Cambridge exam Center since July 2018; it is a member of the Cambridge International Education community, which has enabled young people in Bosnia and Herzegovina to be educated according to the highest standards and acquire skills that are recognized around the world.

Cambridge International is part of the University of Cambridge and the only exam board wholly owned by a world-leading university with 150 years of experience in providing international exams and a not-for-profit organisation.

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

With the Cambridge International program, students of Gymnasium SSST join a global community of students from more than 10,000 schools in over 160 countries. By developing theoretical knowledge and practical skills in students attending the Cambridge International program, we aim to equip them for a successful future in the modern world. In June 2023, more than 237,000 students from 135 countries took Cambridge International AS & A Levels exams.

Gymnasium SSST offers its students seven Cambridge-certified subjects (Physics, Chemistry, Biology, English, Informatics, History, Sociology) at the AS (Advanced Subsidiary) and A (Advanced) levels, which corresponds to the choice of subjects in the gymnasium's third and fourth grade in the National Program. Cambridge International A Level is usually a two-year course, and Cambridge International AS Level is typically a one-year course.





ADVANTAGES OF THE CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM



The Cambridge International Education program reflects a multi-subject and interdisciplinary approach to teaching and learning, which is in line with the most modern and highest educational standards. All classes and exams are conducted in English, which motivates students to think globally and gives them a sense of belonging to an advanced international community.

Through its challenging programs, Cambridge International Education encourages students and teaching staff to develop personally.



We are proud that our young and highly motivated teaching staff sets an example for our students by constantly working on their teaching skills, one of the prerequisites for successfully organized teaching within the Cambridge International program. Cambridge AS and A level exams are recognized at around 1,500 higher education institutions worldwide, including all universities in Great Britain and 600 universities in the United States, which includes leading Ivy League institutions and leading educational institutions in Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, and Australia.

Cambridge exams are also recognized in our country: our founder, SSST University, not only gives preference and awards scholarships to graduates of SSST Gymnasium when entering the University but also recognizes exams passed at A level instead of entrance exams for particular fields of study. We are pleased to announce that the University of Sarajevo is currently considering the same possibility. With its comprehensive and focused approach to learning and anonymity in the examination process, Cambridge International Education, and therefore our Gymnasium as a registered Cambridge center, supports and protects the integrity of each student. Cambridge International Education is aimed at strengthening students' self-confidence, reflection, innovation, and boldness, which are the hallmarks of SSST Gymnasium's approach to education.



CAMBRIDGE
International Education



GSSST CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM

Our students complete their education with a National Diploma as well as AS and A Level Cambridge Certificates in their chosen subjects. Our syllabus prepares students to pass exams with equal success according to both national and international criteria.

1st GRADE

- ▶ B/H/S language and literature
- ▶ English language (First foreign language)
- ▶ German language (Second foreign language)
- ▶ History
- ▶ Geography
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Physics
- ▶ Chemistry
- ▶ Biology
- ▶ Computer science
- ▶ Music
- ▶ Latin language
- ▶ Sports






2nd GRADE

- ▶ B/H/S language and literature
- ▶ English language (First foreign language)
- ▶ German language (Second foreign language)
- ▶ History
- ▶ Geography
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Physics
- ▶ Chemistry
- ▶ Biology
- ▶ Computer science
- ▶ Visual Art
- ▶ Latin language
- ▶ Sport
- ▶ Theory of knowledge



3rd GRADE

Natural Sciences Courses






- ▶ B/H/S language and literature
- ▶ English language (First foreign language) 
- ▶ German language (Second foreign language)
- ▶ Mathematics - Special chapters
- ▶ Physics 
- ▶ Chemistry 
- ▶ Biology 
- ▶ Computer science 
- ▶ Personal Project

Social Sciences Courses

- ▶ B/H/S language and literature
- ▶ English language (First foreign language) 
- ▶ German language (Second foreign language)
- ▶ Philosophy with logic
- ▶ Economy and politics
- ▶ Computer science 
- ▶ Personal Project
- ▶ Psychology
- ▶ History 
- ▶ Geography 
- ▶ Sociology 

4th GRADE

Natural Sciences Courses

- ▶ B/H/S language and literature
- ▶ English language (First foreign language) 
- ▶ German language (Second foreign language)
- ▶ Mathematics - Special chapters
- ▶ Physics 
- ▶ Chemistry 
- ▶ Biology 
- ▶ Computer science 
- ▶ Graduation project work

Social Sciences Courses

- ▶ B/H/S language and literature
- ▶ English language (First foreign language) 
- ▶ German language (Second foreign language)
- ▶ Philosophy with logic
- ▶ Economy and politics
- ▶ Computer science
- ▶ Graduation project work
- ▶ Psychology 
- ▶ History 
- ▶ Geography 
- ▶ Sociology 

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS - 3rd and 4th grade

- ▶ Sport
- ▶ History of Art
- ▶ Visual Arts
- ▶ Film art
- ▶ Introduction to graphic design

* Each student is obliged to choose two elective subjects per year.



OUR COMMUNITY



Among many other things, we believe that the SSST Gymnasium is unique in its efforts to develop a true community, nurturing a sense of belonging and pride, not only in our own achievements, but also in our collective, and what it stands for. We strive for education that is contemporary, but not superficial. Our goal is to help develop young people into extremely competitive and at the same time compassionate individuals. We promote the values of inclusion, diversity, tolerance and integrity.

The SSST high school is dedicated to fostering a sense of community in an environment that is conducive to learning and personal development of each student, while respecting the values of inclusivity, tolerance and integrity. As a secular, liberal and academically ambitious institution, we are proud of our diverse and vibrant student body whose interests, opinions and goals guide us in our shared pursuit of excellence.

The teaching staff of the SSST Gymnasium is made up of highly motivated individuals, chosen for their outstanding academic expertise and strong enthusiasm for the areas they teach. The demanding curriculum is balanced by a hands-on approach to teaching, which goes beyond classroom work and includes regular student mentoring, consultation and student section work. Our mission is to provide each student with the most advanced tools to thrive academically and socially. All teaching takes place in English.



I enrolled in GSSST because I have always had a preference for the English language. I also had the opportunity to get introduced with the GSSST and its curriculum, when enrolling at the Winter Academy in early 2021. From that moment I knew it was the school for me.

HARIS BOŠNJAKOVIĆ, III-A



CLUBS



We believe that extracurricular activities should not be an area of interest only for the best and most dedicated, but for all students. These activities help spread our educational approach and are at the center of our educational philosophy. Student extracurricular activities promote social and professional skills and are intended to attract and motivate students to participate in activities that are outside the scope of the school syllabus. That is why successful engagement in extracurricular activities is considered and valued by leading higher education institutions when selecting students.

We believe that participation in extracurricular activities leads to overall better grades, and that it greatly contributes to the motivation and satisfaction of students. Each year, GSSST offers several core clubs that are held once a week as part of the regular class schedule. In this way, we ensure that all students are part of at least one club and that they are given the opportunity to debate, present, paint, write or simply read at school in addition to what is required by the teaching syllabus. In addition to these clubs, the students have at their disposal numerous clubs of different formats that are held outside the regular class schedule.



The various extracurricular activities of the SSST gymnasium helped me cultivate essential skills such as leadership, teamwork and time management. Participating in sections and events improved my communication skills and broadened my horizons. These experiences not only enriched my personal development, but also laid a strong foundation for my future professional endeavors.

NADA SPAHO, III-A



CORE CLUBS

Svi učenici Gimnazije SSST dužni su se učlaniti u jedan osnovni All SSST High School students are required to join one elementary club every school year. Elementary clubs are held once a week as part of the regular class schedule. Elementary club activities may include student field trips, special projects, and events.

- ▶ Science Club
- ▶ Political-philosophical club
- ▶ Art club
- ▶ Informatics club
- ▶ Psychology club



STUDENT CLUBS

Every year we try to respond to the different interests of our students, offering extracurricular activities that best reflect those interests. Together with student representatives, we work to create programs that are challenging and stimulating, offering students opportunities to acquire new skills, expand school knowledge or simply meet new friends through common interests. These sections are held outside the regular class schedule.

- ▶ Mathematics club
- ▶ Debate club
- ▶ History club
- ▶ Model UN club
- ▶ Sports club
- ▶ Geography club



Gimnaziju SSST volim zbog njene energične zajednice, u kojoj se svaki učenik osjeća cijenjenim i podržanim, podstičući osjećaj pripadnosti. Metode podučavanja koje koriste naši strastveni edukatori rasplamsavaju moju radoznalost i želju za učenjem. Bezbroj vannastavnih aktivnosti omogućava vam da istražite različite interese, čineći vaše obrazovno putovanje obogaćujućim i ispunjenim.

ZARA MEŠEVIĆ, IV-B



SPECIAL FOCUS EVENTS

In addition to an ambitious academic program and extracurricular activities, SSST High School organizes special thematic events that help our community overcome and solve the challenges faced by young people. Covering topics such as mental health, physical abuse and the dangers of drug abuse, to building communication and problem solving skills. When organizing such events, GSSST hires experts from various fields to hold weekly seminars, workshops and lectures for students and parents.



COMPETITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Students of GSSST regularly participate in competitions in various fields. The knowledge acquired in regular classes and extracurricular activities enables them to achieve top results.



Gold and bronze medal at the 15th BOSEPO competition in the field of IT &



2nd place in football at QSI International Competition



INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIPS



Building international ties

Every year the SSST Gymnasium works to exchange ideas and opportunities with some of the most advanced leading high school institutions from around the world. Through debates, workshops, joint projects and networking, our students improve their knowledge, as well as presentation and communication skills with their peers from all over the world.





SCHOLARSHIPS



Candidates with excellent academic performance are eligible to apply for scholarships. The SSST Gymnasium also offers financial assistance for qualified candidates from socially and/or economically disadvantaged categories.

If a candidate, who broadly meets our enrollment requirements, has a brother or sister who has already been enrolled, GSSST has a rule to give such a candidate priority during enrollment or the scholarship application process.

Candidates can apply for a scholarship or financial aid after successfully passing the entrance exam. In order to receive an application form for the grant of a scholarship or financial aid, please contact the administration of the SSST Gymnasium in person or via the e-mail address gimnazija@gssst.edu.ba.



Gymnasium SSST is my choice because it prepares us for several fields and gives us time to find what is right for us.

The doors of many universities are wide open to me; as it will be for you, future SSST high school students!

NADŽA HASANOVIĆ, IV-B

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Our mission to contribute to the development of graduates who will possess both theoretical and practical skills, who will be aware of the labor market before becoming part of it and who will speak English fluently, is reflected in a curriculum that has a strong focus on practical work, from innovative projects that students do in the third grade, to week-long internships in the winter period in selected institutions.

With the wholehearted support of our Founder, the University of Sarajevo School of Science and Technology, our program reflects a deep understanding of the skills most useful to university graduates, and our goal is to begin developing those skills as early as secondary education. Therefore, our teaching staff includes experienced university professors, who will instill in their students the desire to progress academically and help them discover the fields where their potential lies.

I believe that education goes far beyond the curriculum and requires competent and inspired pedagogy to help students develop into productive human beings full of self-confidence, skills and attitudes necessary for personal and professional success.

Emina Ganić, president of the School Board



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PARENTS TO VISIT OR CALL US EVERY WORKING DAY
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