

Lycée Français Jean Mermoz

Dubai, United Arab Emirates



Named for aviation pioneer Jean Mermoz, this AEFÉ campus caps classes at 26 across trilingual French, English and Arabic tracks.

RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	61/100
Academic outcomes	67/100
University placement	64/100
Prestige & heritage	60/100
Alumni network	55/100
Facilities	65/100
Transparency	65/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

The defining feature at Lycée Français Jean Mermoz is not a grand estate or a sprawling legacy. It is the combination of an AEFÉ-accredited French school, a full **ages 3-18** span, and a trilingual structure in French, English and Arabic, with classes capped at **26**. In Dubai’s French-school market, that matters. Parents looking for a school that keeps a firm grip on the French Baccalaureate while operating in the linguistic reality of the UAE will find a clear proposition here: academic continuity, language breadth and a more contained scale than the city’s biggest all-through campuses. Founded in **2017**, it is still a *young institution*, but the framework is established and the mission is plain.

Its market position is straightforward. This is a specialist French-curriculum day school, not a hybrid international school borrowing bits of French identity for brand value. The AEFÉ accreditation gives it substance, and the trilingual offer gives it local relevance. The average annual day fee is **AED 53,971**, which places it in Dubai's *upper-middle tier*: expensive enough to signal a serious international operation, but not at the extreme end of the market. For families who want French academic structure without paying the city's very highest fees, that price point earns attention. The class cap of 26 also deserves notice. It does not promise boutique teaching, but it does set a ceiling that many large urban schools fail to articulate clearly.

This school belongs on a shortlist for parents who want a *disciplined academic route* to the French Baccalaureate and who value bilingual or trilingual fluency as a working part of school life, not a slogan. It will suit French families wanting continuity, francophone expatriates who need a recognised French pathway, and internationally minded households prepared for a system that is more codified and less loose than many English-medium schools in Dubai. The pupil who thrives here will be comfortable with structure, language learning and a curriculum with *clear academic demands*. Families seeking broad curricular experimentation, a strongly Anglo-Saxon school culture or a campus built around spectacle rather than scholarship will find stronger fits elsewhere.

STRENGTHS

- French Baccalaureate pathway from ages 3-18
- French, English and Arabic all taught
- AEFÉ-accredited within the French state-linked network
- Non-religious, co-educational setting in Dubai

TRADE-OFFS

- French Baccalaureate may limit non-French curriculum choice
- Young school with limited published examination track record
- French-led instruction may not suit non-Francophones

ADMISSIONS

Lycée Français Jean Mermoz is a co-educational school in Dubai for children aged 3 to 18, so the obvious admission entry points are likely to be nursery/kindergarten, primary, lower secondary and sixth-form-equivalent stages within the French system. Beyond that broad age structure, the school does not publish enough in the material provided to map a precise pattern of oversubscribed years or preferred points of entry. As a French-curriculum school, admissions are likely to consider age-appropriate prior schooling and, for older pupils, whether a child can slot sensibly into the French Baccalaureate pathway.

The school does not publicly publish, in the information supplied here, a detailed account of assessment format, application deadlines or any distinctive selection mechanism. Nor is there evidence in the source material of bursaries or means-tested financial aid, so parents should not assume these exist without checking directly. In practice, families should expect a standard private-school process built around application paperwork, previous school records and possible age-appropriate assessment, with timing and availability dependent on places in the relevant year group.

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