

Nexus International School Malaysia

Putrajaya, Malaysia



In Malaysia's leafy administrative capital, a UK-accredited Forest School underpins an IB record well above the global average.

RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	70/100
Academic outcomes	74/100
University placement	72/100
Prestige & heritage	68/100
Alumni network	66/100
Facilities	76/100
Transparency	74/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

Nexus sits in Putrajaya, not central Kuala Lumpur, and that geography matters. For families in Malaysia’s administrative capital, it offers a rare mix: a British-to-IB academic route, English-medium teaching from ages 3 to 18, and a Forest School programme that is more than decorative branding. The school’s public case for itself rests on innovation, digital learning and inquiry, but the sharper point is this: Nexus has built a distinctive identity around outdoor learning and technology without abandoning exam performance. It is an IB World School with CIS, COBIS and FOBISIA accreditation, and the school states that its IB Diploma results exceed global averages. That combination gives it a *clear market niche*: progressive in method, conventional where parents care most, namely external outcomes.

The fee level places it in the premium international bracket: an average annual day fee of **MYR 75,790** across the full school. Parents paying that price should expect more than polished rhetoric, and Nexus does offer tangible differentiators. The Apple Distinguished School label signals a serious investment in digital learning rather than a token iPad scheme. The Forest School element adds a second strand that many academically ambitious schools neglect: resilience, independence and comfort outside the classroom. The school also covers the full **3-18** age range, which matters for families who want continuity rather than another admissions cycle at 11 or 16. What remains less satisfying is the lack of public detail on hard outcomes beyond the broad claim of beating global IB benchmarks. If a school wants credit for academic strength, it should publish aggregate data with precision.

This is a strong shortlist school for parents who want a modern, English-speaking international education without the stale formula of drill, test and polish. It suits children who thrive in *well-structured but not rigid* settings, enjoy inquiry-led learning in the early years, and can make use of a broad extracurricular offer in sport and the arts. It also fits families who value an *outward-looking* school culture over old-fashioned institutional prestige. The student who will do best here is curious, adaptable and willing to engage; the child who wants a narrow, intensely exam-driven environment may find the Nexus model too expansive. University destinations published here are modest in number — Carleton University, Emily Carr University of Art + Design and Fraser International, each with **1** student — so parents chasing a school on headline placements alone will want more disclosure. For families who care about educational texture as much as results, Nexus has a *genuine point of difference*.

STRENGTHS

- Accredited by the Council of International Schools since 2010 and re-accredited in April 2022, giving independent verification of school standards.
- Authorised to teach the full IB continuum through to the Diploma Programme since March 2012, alongside IGCSE and the British National Curriculum.
- Part of Taylor's Education Group, one of Malaysia's largest and longest-established private education providers, giving the school institutional backing.
- Boarding is available for students aged 10 to 18, a useful option for relocating or itinerant expat families needing flexible living arrangements.
- Campus facilities include a swimming pool, tennis courts, football field, indoor multipurpose gym, auditorium and a two-tiered library, plus a Forest School outdoor-learning programme.

TRADE-OFFS

- Located in Putrajaya, roughly 30km south of central Kuala Lumpur, which can mean a longer daily commute for families based in the city itself.
- Independent oversight bodies such as the Good Schools Guide note they hold no independently verified entry/exit data or reliably reported GCSE-level results for this school.
- Tuition escalates substantially through the school, reported at roughly RM46,000 a year in Nursery rising to over RM104,000 in Years 12-13, before registration and application fees.
- Class sizes are capped at 24 and places operate on a wait-pool system when capacity is reached, so admission is not guaranteed even with a completed application.

ADMISSIONS

Nexus admits students from age 3 upward on a rolling basis, with no fixed application deadlines, following the Northern Hemisphere August-to-June calendar. The process involves an online application (RM1,300 non-refundable fee), submission of academic and health records, and an age-appropriate assessment or interview to gauge placement and support needs. Offers depend on assessment results, prior reports, English ability, and space availability; the school also runs a wait-pool once year groups fill. A non-refundable registration fee (RM5,000-RM20,000 depending on stage) and a term's tuition as deposit are due on acceptance.

WTS RATING 

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