

Colegio Internacional de Caracas

Caracas, Venezuela



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RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	60/100
Academic outcomes	61/100
University placement	59/100
Prestige & heritage	61/100
Alumni network	60/100
Facilities	62/100
Transparency	48/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

Colegio Internacional de Caracas occupies a narrow but distinctive niche in Venezuela: a very small, English-medium, non-religious day school with the IB and a lineage that runs back to **1896**. Its current scale matters. With enrolment at just over **100** students, this is not a broad-market international school with endless subject combinations and a deep bench of teams and activities. It is a compact operation where students are known, classes stay small, and the tone is *close-knit*, *intimate* and hard to fake. The other point of substance is curricular: the school’s own history carries weight in a market where many schools still trade on labels rather than delivery. It was the first in Venezuela to adopt the IB Middle Years Programme, which gives it a credible claim to institutional experience with the continuum

into the Diploma Programme.

Why shortlist it? Because there are very few schools in Caracas that combine English as the language of instruction, IB authorisation, and this level of scale. For the right family, that mix is compelling. A child who needs a **tight academic community**, direct access to teachers, and a school small enough to notice problems early will get more from CIC than from a larger campus built around volume and spectacle. Parents looking for **cosmopolitan** peers and an international frame in a volatile local environment will also see the appeal. The accreditations are serious — Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and the International Baccalaureate Organization — and they matter more than glossy claims.

The limitations are just as clear. A school of ****3-18**** with only a little over ****100**** students cannot offer the same breadth of options, facilities or social range as a larger competitor. Families wanting a vast sixth-form subject menu, a big sports culture, or the anonymity that suits some teenagers will find CIC too small. This is a school for students who thrive in **high-visibility** settings, who can handle being known by name, and who benefit from a community where absence, underperformance or withdrawal gets noticed fast. For internationally minded families who value **continuity**, **personal attention** and an English-language IB route in Caracas, CIC earns a place on the shortlist.

STRENGTHS

- English-language teaching throughout ages 3-18
- IB school with MYP and Diploma Programme
- Day school format suits Caracas-based families
- Founded 1896, unusually long-established for Venezuela

TRADE-OFFS

- Day-only; no boarding option for overseas families
- Very small enrolment: just over 100 students
- IB accreditation listed only for MYP and Diploma

ADMISSIONS

Colegio Internacional de Caracas is a small private day school in Caracas, teaching in English from roughly age 3 through 18, from pre-nursery to high school. For admissions, the obvious entry points are the start of early years, primary, middle and upper secondary phases, but the school does not publicly set out a detailed intake structure in the material provided. Nor does it publish specific application deadlines, so families should expect timings to depend on year-group places rather than a single annual cut-off.

Publicly available information is similarly thin on selection mechanics. The school does not publish a clear breakdown of entrance assessments, interviews or other screening steps, so prospective families should assume that any evaluation is handled directly by the admissions office and may vary by age and year group. There is no published information here on bursaries or means-tested financial aid, so it would be unwise to assume such support is available. The distinctive point is scale: with enrolment reported at just over 100 in 2019-2020, admissions are likely to be highly individual and capacity-led.

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