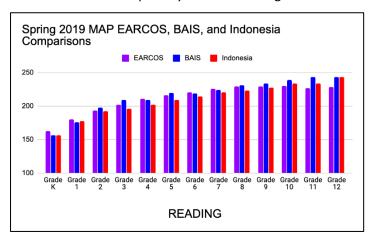
# From the Secondary Principal

Is BAIS an excellent school?

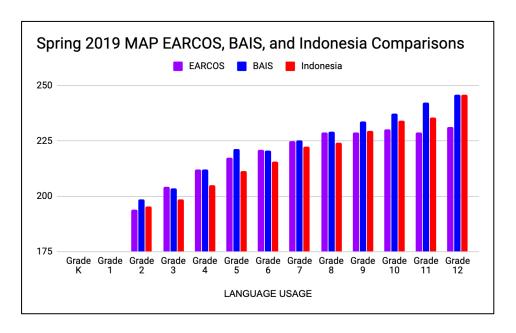
It's an important question and one way to answer it, at least related to academics, is by comparing our MAP scores with other schools with similar characteristics and rigor. EARCOS stands for the East Asia Regional Council of Schools and it is usually regarded as the most esteemed professional group of schools in Asia. There are about 200 member schools and BAIS is a member as well. Many SPK schools in Indonesia use MAP, including Bandung Independent School (BIS). If the question is being answered related only to measuring academic achievement using those tests in Reading, Language Usage, and Math, I would argue the answer to the question is a resounding "Yes!"

Keep in mind that the data below represents grade level averages and that classes with few students are more highly influenced by individual scores. If one student does poorly, it often drastically skews the overall data - especially the class average.

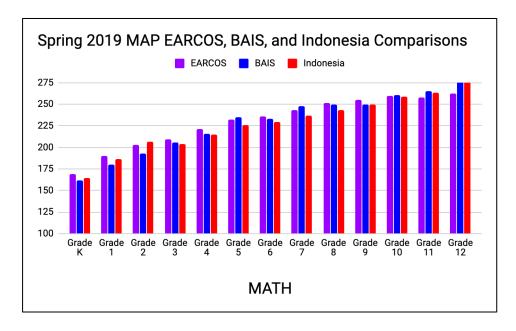


FEBRUARY	
5	Late Start
14	Broadway Musical Concert
17	Mid Quarter Ends Grades on PS
18	Assembly Schedule for IISSAC Pep Rally
19	Late Start
21-23	IISSAC Basketball in Surabaya
26	Kota Baru Interschool Spelling Bee Competition
MARCH	
4	Late Start
13	Third Quarter Ends/ Half Day
16 – 20	Week Without Walls
20	Half Day
23 – 27	Second Semester Break

- 8th-12th grades scored dramatically higher than the EARCOS and Indonesia averages.
- Half of elementary grade levels scored higher than the EARCOS and Indonesia averages.
- 8/13 grade levels scored higher than the EARCOS averages.
- 11/13 grade levels scored higher than the Indonesia averages (tied in 12th grade).



- 9/11 grade levels scored higher than the EARCOS averages.
- 10/11 grade levels scored higher than the Indonesia averages (tied in 12th grade).



- 5/13 grade levels scored higher than the EARCOS averages.
- 10th, 11th, and 12th grade, culminating classes, all scored higher than the EARCOS average.
- 9/13 grade levels scored higher than the Indonesia average (tied in 12th grade).
- 3rd through 11th grades scored higher than the Indonesian average (tied in 12th grade).

Please see from this particular data that BAIS is an excellent school! This data does not even refer to the ways our teachers go the extra kilometer to provide care, discipleship, and mentoring for our students. Nor does it address the outstanding after-school activities program or the school facilities. Spread the word. It's official. BAIS is excellent!

Sincerely,

Jeremy J. Thomas, MS. Ed. Secondary Principal

## Week Without Walls is looking for service outreach opportunities

WWW is coming soon on March 16-20! All students, PK3-12, and staff will participate in projects around our community. If you know of a great service project for our students, please contact Mr. Whitehurst or Ms. Ribbens. We especially love to partner with existing programs and outreaches. Secondary students, if you are passionate about an outreach and want to be a student leader, please let us know and/or contact a BAIS staff person who can sponsor your project. Please join us in praying for an excellent WWW 2020! Stay tuned for more WWW info during the upcoming weeks!

#### **Drama Announcement**

Saturday Practice: FEB. 1

From 1.00pm to 5.00pm in the MPR; the next Saturday practice will be Feb 15 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm in the

MPR.

Wednesday Practice: Feb 5

Act 2 Scenes 2-4

Performers: Everyone Crew: Everyone

Songs: "The Call to Arms," "The Pursuit," "He Was Tall," "When You're Driving Through the Moonlight," "A Lovely Night," "A Lovely Night Reprise," "Loneliness of Evening"



Dear BAIS Community,

The BAIS Drama production team is looking for people or businesses to

become a BAIS Patron of the Arts to help raise money to help defer the cost of BAIS productions and to build raised platforms for stadium seating in the MPR. In return for this patronage, businesses or individuals will be able to advertise their product or place a dedication to a performer in the playbill. If you would like more information about the levels of patronage and see an example of the playbill, please contact Hani

Ramappa hani@baisedu.org or WA +62 812-1448-1338.

Thank you, The BAIS Drama Team

#### FINANCE NEWS

Dear Parents,

Invoices have been distributed to the youngest child in each family. Please be sure to check the Friday Folder or ask them to give you the invoice they received. If for some reason the invoice does not make it home to you, please contact the finance office for a replacement.

REMINDER: In order to qualify for the Early Bird 5% discount, payment must be received by <u>Feb 28, 2020</u>. In order to qualify for the 3% discount, payment must be received by <u>May 1, 2020</u>.

Thank you! BAIS Finance Department



#### **GUIDANCE COUNSELOR NEWS**

Congratulations to : Chloe Tantowi & Beltra Chong!

**Chloe** has been accepted to Monash University in Australia.

**Beltra** has been accepted to Durham University in the United Kingdom.

Make sure to congratulate the ladies when you see them around campus. Also, please be praying for the other students in the senior class as they are in the process of applying or are waiting for decisions to be announced.

#### MATH DEPT



#### **WMI (World Mathematics Invitational)**

Contest date: Saturday, February 29, 2020

Time: 08:15 - 10:30

Re-registration: 07:30 - 08:15 Venue: Sekolah Bina Persada Registration Fee: Rp 220,000.-

Participant: grade 1 - grade 12

The last day to submit your registration to Ms. Harsono: Feb 7, 2020



#### **International Kangaroo Math** Competition

Contest date: Saturday, March 21, 2020

Time: 09:30 - 11:30

Venue: Sekolah Bina Persada Registration Fee: Rp 100,000.-

Participant: grade 1 - grade 12

The last day to submit your registration to Ms. Harsono: Feb 19, 2020



Contest date: April 4, 2020

Venue: SD BPK Penabur Banda

Registration Fee: Rp 250,000.- for school candidates (minimum 5 students)

Participant: grade 1 - grade 12

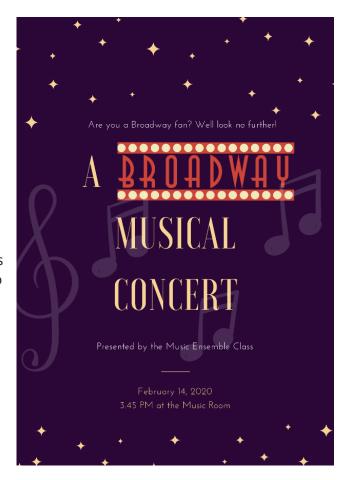
The last day to submit your registration to Ms. Harsono: March 2, 2020

Rita Harsono

**Secondary Math/Science Teacher** 

## WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO - ALC/JOB EXPO

Every year the BAIS Director joins all the other NICS Directors from across the world for a conference at the NICS home office just outside of Memphis, TN. This conference is great professional development for the directors and also a time of refreshment as we always enjoy each other's company. Another very important aspect to this trip is the Job Expo that has both live and streamed audiences. The online digital portion of the expo has specifically been emphasized for this year. This expo gives each school the opportunity to present to scores of potential teachers the benefits of teaching overseas and at one of our Network schools. The past two years, we have filled key positions as a direct result of this expo. Please pray we are able to find outstanding people to fill our open spots



### Valentine's Day Gifts

Send a Valentine's Day treat to a friend and let them know how thankful you are for them.

Pick out a cute Valentine's Day card at the school store, complete the order form on the back of the card and write a note to your friend.

Turn in the order form with payment to a senior on or before Tuesday, February 11th.

Valentine's will be handed out during 4th period on Friday, February 14th.

# Summer Programs for High School Students

New programs have been added to the document.

Throughout the school year, we receive information about summer programs at universities around the world. We have combined it into one document for quick access and would like to pass that information along to you and your student to look into. Please be aware that some due dates are approaching quickly.

Check out this link for a list of summer programs.



## **Athletics & Club News**

#### **IISSAC Basketball**

The IISSAC 2019-2020 Record

Boys: 4-5 Girls: 2-8

- Girls will practice from 3:45-5:15; Boys will practice from 4:30-6:00.
- Upcoming Games:

BAIS Boys vs. Trinitas -Thursday, Feb. 6 at 5:30pm

• The BAC Tournament is Feb. 8 at Trimulia.

The BAC All-Star Game is Monday, Feb. 10 at BIS (4:30 tip off).

The IISSAC tournament will be Feb. 21-23 at Surabaya.

#### **After School Clubs and Activities**

IISSAC Cross Country will begin practice Feb. 10.
 Ibu Hani and Mr. Whitehurst are excited to return as the BAIS Cross Country coaches.

• Season Two of After School Clubs/Activities will end February 21.

Season Three starts March 2 and last until May 22.

We are finalizing Season 3's club list. If you are interested in leading a club or have any suggestions or contacts for potential clubs, please contact the athletic department **as soon as possible** (athletics@baisedu.org).

 The next BAIS Swim invitation will be on March 7. Keep checking the BAIS Buzz for more information.

Keep your eyes on the BAIS Buzz for updates, changes, and more information!