

# FAQ's

## I. Introduction

### a) When was the school established?

The school was established in 1985 to promote rural education around Raiwala.

# b) What is the size of your school and the number of pupils?

We have separate campuses for Junior and Senior School spread over a total of Approx 15 acres of land with about eight hundred and fifty non-residential pupils.

## c) What are your main strengths?

The main strength of our school is its Management, which includes alumni from the best and most prestigious schools in India like The Doon School, Dehradun, Welham Boys' School, Dehradun, Welham Girls' School, Dehradun and Mayo College. The school gets the best possible guidance and direction because of their sound and broad-based education.

The School is a affiliated to CISCE (Council for Indian Schools Certificate Examinations) which is committed to serving the nation's children, through high quality educational endeavors, empowering them to contribute towards a humane, just and pluralistic society, promoting introspective living, by creating exciting learning opportunities, with a commitment to excellence.

The school is a member of Dehradun District Council Schools' Association (DDCSA) and Principal's Progressive Schools' Association (PPSA), which provides our pupils an opportunity to interact and compete against the best schools.

The school possesses a team of exceptionally good, dedicated and committed teachers (a few of whom reside in the school), with high expectations and a clear adherence to the concept of an all–round development through "Quality" Education. Excellent pastoral care, clearly defined processes that are continuously reviewed and improved. Compared to other schools we are particularly strong at Sports, Music, Drama, Art, and outward-bound activities.

## d) What are your main achievements?

- Modernization, improvement and up-gradation each year.
- Infrastructural Expansion (Started with ten rooms and now having nearly 1,00,000 sq ft covered area).
- High standards of success in Sports, Music and other cultural pursuits.
- Growth in students and Staff (Students: 50 to 850 and Teaching Staff 5 to 60)
- Games and Sports Intensification (State of the art playing field, one Basketball court, Multi-purpose
  Activity Hall, Pavilion, Multi-Gym and training facility, Badminton Court, etc. apart from other basic
  infrastructure)
- Activity Multiplication
- Attained expertise at organizing events (sports & extra curricular activities) recurrently.
- Is member of the prestigious Dehradun District Council Schools' Association (DDCSA) and Principal's Progressive Schools' Association (PPSA).
- Strengthened Reputation after providing maximum satisfaction.

### e) How is MAMS different from other schools?

Most of our pupils are from rural backgrounds. A lot of them are first generation school going kids from their family. But each one of them has dreams and aspires to make it big in life. Being a close-knit community we are able to convey our message with ease. Our parents understand that we mean business and know our job well and hence we are able to implement our policies with ease through their support and constant cooperation. We aspire to "Discover & Develop each child's interests & gifts" and are totally dedicated to this mission.

## f) How far is your school from Delhi?

The school is Approx 250 KM north of Delhi, situated in District Dehradun, in the State of Uttarakhand. The school lies on Haridwar – Rishikesh highway (NH 58) View the route map for more information.

### g) What is the average class size?

There are about thirty students per section in the junior as well senior classes. In case of some optional subjects in senior classes, the class size falls down to even 5-10 students.

## h) What is the proportion of Students who are from abroad?

We do not have any foreign students studying at MAMS at the moment. We are however open to accepting foreign students in our hostel from the 2015-16 session onwards. A lot of our non-residential students have their families settled abroad. Most of them stay with their local guardians in Rishikesh.

### i) Are you affiliated to IB?

No, we are only affiliated to the CISCE (Council for Indian Schools Cerftificate Examinations).

# j) Is your school co-ed?

Yes, the school is co-educational, with approximately 30% girls and 70% boys. However, we only offer residential facilities to boys.

# k) Why should I put my child in a boarding school?

Residential schools mainly serve the purposes of a wide exposure and help develop personal qualities like confidence, public-speaking skills, secular outlook, independence, strong character etc., which are so important for success in adult life.

Pupils at boarding school do not face the problems of traffic and poor public transport; they can use the time saved to do worthwhile activities. Academic lessons do not have to be crammed between 9am and 4pm: they can be spread over a longer period with breaks for sport and other activities. The volume of sport, music, acting, hobbies and other creative activities is far greater at a boarding than a day school.

Boarding pupils thrive in the life of a busy community. They learn to adjust better, have high regard for and tolerate others, learn community living, become truly secular in their outlook, gather a high degree of independence, which is invaluable when they go on to taste life for themselves. They still see a great deal of their parents, with long weekends every sixth week and are luckier to get much longer holidays than those enjoyed by pupils in day schools. Parents are welcome to visit the school on specified visiting weekends only and can take their children out for a day.

#### II. Admission & Fees: -

# i. What is the procedure of admission?

The admission procedure entails a deposit of the registration fee alongwith the duly filled in admission form through registered post/self/email. The applicant is then supposed to appear for an admission test and interview, on a stipulated date, which is informed to all prospective parents well in advance. The result is declared within a week after the test and admissions have to be accepted/declined thereafter. For more information, visit the Admissions page on this website.

## ii. What is the number of students admitted for various classes every year?

The number of admissions depends upon the number of withdrawals. Since most of our admissions are from the Raiwala Army Cantonment wherein units keep moving, we may have withdrawals between sessions as well. We normally admit approximately 100 students every year in different classes.

## iii. What is the number of applicants per year?

We receive around 300 applications for admission every year which are carefully screened to translate into admissions.

## iv. When should interested parents apply for admission?

Ideally in the month of December but we accept strong/brilliant applicants at any stage. Admission tests are held in the month of February for Day-Scholars and in the month of November/December for boarders each year and admission is granted in the month of March/April. Check out Admission section of the website for more details.

## v. What is your school Fee?

The School Fee gets revised from time to time. Kindly visit Fees structure under admissions in the website for details of fee.

### vi. Can the fee be paid in installments?

The Fee for Boarders is to be paid semi-annually for each term. The fee for day scholars is to be paid for quarterly. All fees are required to be paid in advance.

# vii. Do you accept Donations?

We DO NOT accept donations for securing admissions. However, we do accept donations for need cum merit scholarships. A lot of our students come from not so fortunate backgrounds who may not be able to pay the requisite fee. We urge noble-minded philanthropists to help such students. All donations will qualify for relief under section 80G of Income Tax Act, 1961. Please visit Support Us section for further details.

## viii. Can a parent get any "Guarantee" of admission?

There is no "Guarantee" of admission in MAMS. There is only an exception for NRI candidates who may be able to secure admission on the basis of their performance in their previous schools. Resident Indian Admissions are done only through the regular test and interview procedure.