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*Boarding School in
Andhra Pradesh*

Be all you can be... Board with us.



Oakridge International School (OIS), Visakhapatnam is proud to be a part of Nord Anglia Education, the world's leading premium schools' organization. With 81 schools in 32 countries, we offer a connected, global education. We are:

- ranked Andhra Pradesh's #1 & Vishakhapatnam's #1 International Day-cum-Boarding School in the *EducationWorld* India School Rankings 2019-20 four years in row.
- featured in *Forbes* and *Fortune* Magazine amongst the 'Great Indian Schools of 2018' and 'Future 50 Schools Shaping Success' respectively.

Since opening in in 2008, OIS has become a popular choice for expatriate parents from various countries looking to provide their children with an international education. We are able to support families relocating to and from Visakhapatnam, through our global network of schools.

The Campus

Spread across 10 acres, OIS Visakhapatnam is a Nord Anglia Education Day and Residential school located in this beautiful port-city and offers an oasis of learning.

We benefit from digitalised classrooms equipped with interactive learning screens, a Wi-Fi enabled campus, 360-degree parent apps, and state-of-the-art indoor and outdoor amenities:

- Amphitheater
- Science labs
- Soccer ground
- Tennis courts
- Swimming pool
- Learning Resource Centre
- Performing arts area

Our residential life program provides every thing you would want for your child's "home away from home" with boarding facilities that meet high standards of excellence and safety, with personalised care and attention. The intercultural community life experience provides a challenging and rewarding journey, where students gain the willingness to try new things, study new subjects, and improve inter cultural competence.

Join a global family

When your child joins our school in Visakhapatnam, they join our global family of students, teachers and staff. Our schools are united by our ambitious philosophy and together we create opportunities including international collaborations, global expeditions and learning partnerships with the world's leading STEAM, social and cultural organisations.





Welcome aboard, Boarder!

Life begins when you step out of your comfort zone. Boarding life is less of distraction and more of exploration.

Here at Oakridge International School's boarding campus, you will be part of a community where there are opportunities to try new things, study new subjects and make new friends. It's a challenging and rewarding journey at the same time.

Boarding facilities offered at Oakridge, Visakhapatnam are world class. Life in the boarding transforms students to become confident, independent and focussed young learners who excel in academics, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Settlement Program

We are well aware that adjusting to a new environment and surroundings could be a challenge. To cope with this transition, we have:

- Buddy system to make sure children feel at home.
- Welcome socials.
- Student Counsellor who provides well being support for students.



Why Boarding

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Our Academic Plan teaches students to think critically and solve complex problems, within a collaborative, diverse and supportive community that feels like a family. The skills built here will prepare your child for success at their top choice college and beyond.

- Our educational approach enables every student to reach high levels of academic and social success
- More time to study
- Living and working with other ambitious students
- Access to the Facilities
- Allows you to concentrate on school work

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

Learning to be responsible for yourself, taking a lot of little steps towards maturity is one of the intangibles of going to boarding school.

Resilience, empathy, teamwork, self-awareness and positive attitude are a few of the many characteristic profiles which will be built into every student. Our house parents are fully-trained and will help your child to grow in independence and discipline. We create opportunities beyond the ordinary to develop skills and mindset to thrive in a changing world.

EXPERIENCE

Our student body comprises students from 20+ countries. We offer a full-time residential program including access to campus amenities, added adventure trips, indoor and outdoor sports. The beauty of Vizag beaches is worth the experience of being a boarder at Oakridge. Making friends for life enjoying the best years in an environment full of excitement and fun learning keeps the boarders in high spirits.

Boarders Speak



“When I first saw the school, I thought it was alluring and marvellous,” says Tania.

“The greenery, the nature, the flowers: it made me happy to be here as it is very peaceful and serene.” The girls in our boarding house love their plants and the acres of grass. The weather is quite pleasant.

She says “the best thing about this school is the teachers. Education matters the most.” Focused, poised and quietly confident, Tania, who joined Oakridge at age 14, is the sort of girl that everyone would like as a big sister. Being the only child, boarding has offered her the opportunity to have fun, deep friendships with girls from across India and the world. “Sharing a room is fun. In the holidays we stay in touch.” Her hometown Singapore is just one flight away from Visakhapatnam, meaning Tania can travel door to door in less than 10 hours, and likewise her relatives can visit her during the term-time. Tania says: “I speak to my parents every day. When I was young they visited every few weeks so we could spend time together, and they would take me out to dinner. Now I am 16, I am busier with my friends here or of course studying” Tania hopes to study Artificial Intelligence at University in Singapore when she leaves Oakridge, and has a special interest in robotics.

Her tips for new boarders: “It takes time to adjust. Being a new boarder can feel difficult at times but people here are very friendly. “I’ve got better at a lot of skills, I’ve got more mature. With the help of the house parents you understand the difference between right and wrong. Boarding here lets you be more independent so you get out of your shell and be yourself. Here you create your identity rather than depending on the identity of your family or parents.



Vaishnavi, Grade 11

“My Dad wanted me to go to a good school so I could interact with people better. When I started here in 2011, I was small and I was uncomfortable. I wasn’t open-minded and I couldn’t interact easily with people. Now I have achieved so much. I am a sports girl and I was selected for the districts for basketball was on the winning side. I have my own gang of friends. Academics-wise I’ve improved and my Dad is happy.”

Boarding has clearly been a great choice for Vaishnavi. She attended a different boarding school before joining Oakridge International, but her loyalties are clear: “This is better exposure in every way: the sports, the academics, the socialising skills... I prefer to be here any day.”

Having received good marks for her IGCSE as part of the school’s Cambridge Curriculum, when she leaves, Vaishnavi would like to complete her engineering studies in India before possibly moving abroad for further study. It is clear she has the confidence and self-possession to succeed: nothing seems to pause her, and she radiates positivity.

Her best memory? “Night swimming. We have coloured lights, and all the juniors and seniors come together and we play and enjoy ourselves. It is such a treat for us after working so hard and the pool here is beautiful.”

Adesh and Harshit

Adesh and Harshit, both popular and confident boys, are best friends. Both in Grade XII, like other senior boys, they carry special responsibility in the boarding house, which helps them prepare for life after school. Although both grew up in Odisha, they only met at Oakridge.

Adesh says, “As a person, boarding has taught me a lot of things. And after school, when I want to study architecture. I know I will get into a good University because the education here is good.”

Harshit, has been at Oakridge for four years. His highlight has been an incredible 10-day trekking trip to Uttarakhand. “I like the experience in boarding. Not every day has been easy but it is your friendships which are the best thing. As well as learning from the teachers, you learn new things from the peer group, because they are all strong people, who have come away from their family and have ambitions in life to succeed.”



Academic Curriculum



Cambridge Curriculum

- International Curriculum, Recognition and Global Community
- Case studies, group work, projects and debates through lateral thinking
- Independent study and portfolio development
- Seminars, presentations and peer assessments
- Develops skills in creative thinking, inquiry and problem solving

IB Diploma Programme

- Comprehensive and challenging pre-university course
- Covers a wide range of academic subjects
- Exposes students to a world-class curriculum
- Accepted by Indian and world's leading universities
- A gateway to world-renowned universities

CBSE Curriculum

- Vibrant and holistic model of education
- Promotes intellectual, social and cultural vivacity among its learners
- Develops competent, confident and enterprising citizens
- Research-based projects, flipped classroom strategies and smart class technology
- Encompasses creative book reports, career counselling, cross-curricular linkages and exposure to real-world business practices



Inspiration beyond boundaries

At Oakridge, Visakhapatnam, our students partake in several CAS activities that are centred around environmental protection, community development and raising awareness about major social issues.

Save Our Beaches

To inculcate love, responsibility and concern towards the world we live in, Oakridge Vishakhapatnam, in collaboration with various ocean conservation and maritime foundations, launched 'Save our Beaches' in Vishakhapatnam. Through this initiative, students organise and run regular awareness campaigns, cleaning drives and conservation projects.

Habitat for humanity, India

Through Habitat for Humanity, Oakridge encourages students and staff to provide selfless services in creating shelters for the needy. Students participate in programmes like Building Affordable Homes, Sensitise to Sanitise, and Disaster Response.

Spoorthi

Oakridge, through its deeply-ingrained philosophy of 'each one – reach one –teach one', reaches out to the needy by means of its Spoorthi programme. Teaching English, Computer skills and general etiquettes.



Learn here. Succeed anywhere.

Our excellent academic programmes, co-curricular programmes, and the work of our career counselling unit has seen students of our school being offered placements in top universities including:

- New York University
- University of Oxford
- King's College London (KCL)
- Lancaster University
- University of Michigan
- University of Washington
- University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
- University of California, Berkeley (UC Berkeley)
- University of California San Diego (UCSD)
- University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB)
- London School of Economics (LSE)
- Johns Hopkins University (JHU)

With our CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service) team in place, students of our school are active participants in giving back to the community. Regular guest lectures and corporate internship programs expose our students to practical learning from industry experts. Unique to OIS Visakhapatnam, there are several supplemental education programs which enable students to explore various facets of personal development.

- NAE-MIT Steam Festival: As a part of Nord Anglia Education, we are the first school in India to access the unique partnership with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and run STEAM-based challenges with our students. Hosting students and teachers from 12+ countries, OIS Visakhapatnam provides a platform for the development of global citizens.
- Ocean Conservation Conference: A three day conference where students delegate and attend field trips to later propose real-time projects, based on the theme of Ocean Conservation.
- Our unique Career Guidance programme is set up to guide young, aspiring students towards top university placements. Oakridge Visakhapatnam was the first and remains the only SAT, PSAT and AP test centres of Andhra Pradesh.

Boarding at Oakridge International School, Visakhapatnam

The right environment has the power to help a child flourish and bloom, and achieve even the impossible. An early start to an independent and self-reliant lifestyle is a gift every child deserves to be ambitious in life.

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- Spacious and Air Conditioned 4 bedded rooms.
- House parent on every floor
- Principal and Bursar on campus
- 24x7 CCTV Surveillance
- Hygienic restrooms
- Recreation room
- Personalised study space
- Nutritious food, catering to all nationalities
- World-class Kitchen and Dining Hall
- On-campus Doctor and Nurses in infirmary and dedicated ambulance
- Study Block with supervision



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