



Mother Tongue Policy at ISGR

1. Mother Tongue lessons offered in Sweden give students with a mother tongue other than Swedish the opportunity to study their native language as an additional subject in school. Access to the mother tongue is of great importance for the child's language, identity, personality and thought development.
2. The application can be only made for **one language**, the one that is actively used at home. The purpose of teaching is to give a student the opportunity to further develop the mother tongue skills. Mother tongue lessons are not language acquisition classes.
3. The mother tongue lessons at ISGR can be offered to international students in grades from PYP1 to MYP9.
4. The lessons are scheduled outside the school hours, and they might take place at schools other than ISGR.
5. Application procedure:
 - Submission of the application form either as a hard copy or electronically (by emailing a scanned copy to modersmal@staff.isgr.se).
 - The Mother Tongue Coordinator sends the application for revision to the Language Center at the municipality.
 - The mother tongue teacher contacts the applicant within 2 weeks after the application has been submitted.
6. Application periods:
 - for the Autumn Term: from August 15th to September 30th,
 - for the Spring Term: from December 1st to January 31st.
7. Attendance:
 - A child's absence needs to be always reported to the mother tongue teacher in advance.
 - Three unexcused absences result in automatic withdrawal from the course.
8. Withdrawal from the mother tongue course:
 - The below withdrawal slip needs to be submitted to the Mother Tongue coordinator at least 1 week before the last day of attendance



Mother Tongue Withdrawal Slip

Student's name (as in the passport) and class	
Student's personal number	YYMMDD-XXXX
Mother Tongue course	
Last day of attendance	

