

Checklist of questions to ask when searching for a school for your child.

1. What is the school's education board? (CBSE, ICSE, IGCSE/IB, SSC). Based on its reach, which board is best suited for my child's aspirations?
2. What kind of teaching system does the school have in place? (Is it system driven? Planned?)
3. What is the teaching methodology used? Is the content vetted by an educational authority? What pedagogy is followed?
4. Which are the subjects taught? How frequently is the content updated? Do they teach any additional subjects?
5. What is the curriculum of the school? Is it comprehensive and updated regularly?
6. How does the school ensure personalised learning for each student?
7. How does the school support students with different learning styles and needs?
8. How does the school encourage critical thinking and problem-solving skills among students?
9. What kind of assessments and evaluations are conducted to measure students' progress?
10. What is the homework policy of the school? How much homework does the school give the students?
11. What is the school's approach to technology integration in teaching and learning?
12. What is the role of extracurricular activities in the school's learning approach?
13. How often are these extracurricular activities held?
14. Is there an additional cost for participating in extracurricular activities?
15. Do all students get to participate in extracurricular activities?
16. What is the communication process between parents and teachers? Is there a parent-teacher meeting system in place?
17. Does the school offer transportation services to and from the school?
18. What is the distance and the time required to travel to school from my residence?
19. Are there any additional costs, such as textbooks or technology fees?

20. Has the school shared its fee structure along with the projected fees with the parents?
21. Are there any hidden costs that parents should be aware of, such as mandatory fundraising or volunteering requirements?
22. Are there any payment plans available to help make tuition more manageable?
23. How do the school's fees as well as features compare to other schools in the area?
24. Are there any discounts available for families with multiple children attending the school?
25. What is the refund policy if a child is withdrawn from the school?
26. What is the process for selecting teachers? Are they selected based on merit and experience?
27. Are the teachers well-trained and experienced in their subject areas?
28. What kind of training and professional development opportunities do the teachers receive?
29. Are the amenities and facilities provided by the school comfortable?
30. Is the school campus safe? Do they have security cameras and trained security personnel in place?
31. Are all areas of the school campus well lit?
32. Are all the school facilities, including classrooms, restrooms, and common areas regularly cleaned and properly maintained?
33. What are the sports facilities available? (well maintained playgrounds, basketball courts, etc)
34. Do students have separate eating areas? If not, where do they eat?
35. Does it have a designated area for sick children? What are the protocols when children get sick in school?
36. Is the water potable? Is it readily available to the students?
37. Is there a counsellor in the school for behavioural issues? How do students get access to the counsellor? How are parents alerted if there are issues?