

S I N G A P O R E A M E R I C A N S C H O O L

QUICKSTART GUIDE 2017-18



WELCOME WEEK
SCHEDULE



UNIFORM SALES



SAS CARD &
VEHICLE PASS



BUS
TRANSPORTATION



SCHEDULE YOUR
OPEN HOUSE DAY



OPEN HOUSE MAP

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ORIENTATION BY DIVISIONS			AUGUST																					
Division	Time	Venue	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16						
Early Learning Center Pre-School and Pre-K	Teacher will send email to parents in August	Early Learning Center					SATURDAY	SUNDAY			PUBLIC HOLIDAY			SATURDAY	SUNDAY									
Elementary School Grades K and 1	9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	ES Faculty Lounge (P220 and P221)										•	•				•	•						
Elementary School Grades 2 – 5	10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	ES Faculty Lounge (P220 and P221)										•	•				•	•						
Middle School Grades 6 – 8	8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Grade 6 in M301 Grade 7 and 8 in MS Library			•								•											
MS Laptop Bootcamp Grades 7 and 8 only	12:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	MS Library																•						
High School Individual student Course Selection Grades 9 – 12	Please contact Nisha Rahman now to set an appointment for August at nrahman@sas.edu.sg or +65 6360 6502	HS Counseling Office	By appt only	By appt only	By appt only	By appt only						By appt only	By appt only				By appt only							
HS Group Orientation Grades 9 – 12	12:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Drama Theater																•						
SAS OPEN HOUSE (for all new and returning students) Pre-School - Grade 12	2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.												•											

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

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Online uniform sales begin on Tuesday, August 1. Campus uniform sales and online sale collection will begin on Monday, August 7. Campus uniform sales will run Monday, August 7 to Thursday, August 10 from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Campus will be closed on Wednesday, August 9 to observe National Day. Campus uniform sales will be open on Friday, August 11 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Early learning center, elementary school, and middle school sales will take place in the high school gym. Payment type accepted: PayPal. If you do not have a PayPal account you will be able to check out as a guest through PayPal using your credit card.

High school uniform sales will be held outside the Booster Booth in the high school lobby. Payment types accepted: cash, Singapore check, or SASCard.

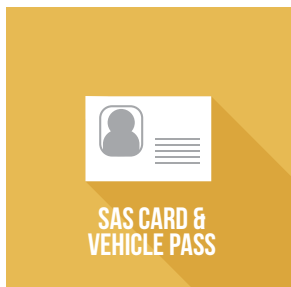
For the easiest and fastest service we recommend ordering your child's uniforms online before coming to campus.

PTA Online Store
sasptastore.myshopify.com

Booster Booth Online Store
sasboosterstore.myshopify.com

**AVOID THE LINES
AND BUY YOUR
UNIFORMS ONLINE.**
If you run into any
sizing problems it's
easy to exchange!





All SAS students are required to have an SASCard for identification purposes. The SASCard, however, is much more than just an ID card. In fact, it offers many conveniences to SAS students and their families including:

- Cashless purchases at campus food and beverage outlets
- Parent-Teacher Association sales purchases
- Booster Booth purchases
- Student store purchases
- Check out of materials from libraries
- Bus access for grades three and above
- Printing and copying on campus

NETS FLASHPAY FEATURES OF YOUR SASCARD

In addition to campus-based features, the SASCard can also serve as a NETS FlashPay card with a separate account that allows cardholders to use their SASCard off campus with NETS FlashPay merchants on the MRT, LRT, public buses, in many taxis, and at more than 85,000 acceptance points islandwide.

The NETS FlashPay account can be topped up at the DBS ATM machine in the high school atrium or at off-campus top up points such as 7-Eleven, Cheers, and bank ATMs. However, these NETS funds, unlike the SASCard funds, are stored directly on the SAScard. Therefore, if the SAScard is lost, the NETS money is also lost and cannot be recovered.

REGISTER AND TOP UP YOUR SASCARD

Once you receive your SASCard, you can add funds to your account and begin using your card on campus.

Create an Online SASCard Account

- Visit webcard.sas.edu.sg and complete the simple form.
If you have already set up an SASCard account, you can log into your account using the same link.
If you have multiple children at SAS, you may use this login and password to register each SASCard holder in your family. Simply complete an online form for each child, using the same login (email address) and password for each individual.

Customize Your Low Balance Email Reminder

- Once you have created and logged in to your SASCard account, you may click the Preferences link to the right of the card balance amount to customize the low-balance email reminder feature. From there, enter the email address at which you wish to receive low balance reminders.
- If you wish to change your low balance amount, you may customize it to your preference. All student accounts have an automatic default low balance amount of \$20.

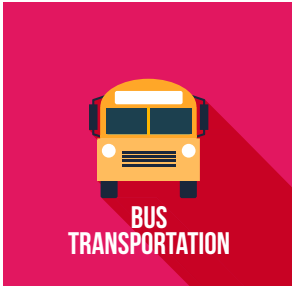
Important Points to Note

- If you have multiple accounts under a single login, you may customize a low-balance email reminder for each account individually.
- If you are using an iPad or another type of tablet to access your SASCard account, you must click on the Full Site link in order to log in, top up using a credit card, and update your preferences.

SASCARDS AND VEHICLE PASSES FOR PARENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND HOUSEHOLD HELP

For security reasons, all parents, family members, and household help who plan to visit the SAS campus on a regular basis will need a SASCard. In addition, a vehicle pass will be required of all vehicles entering campus. You will receive an email from the SASCard Office notifying you when your SASCard and/or vehicle pass is ready. When your pass is ready, you may collect it from the SASCard Office (A109). If you have not yet completed an application for your SASCards and/or vehicle passes, you may pick up an application or drop off a completed application at the SASCard Office. Please note that applications submitted at Open House will take three weeks to process.

For more information, visit <https://www.sas.edu.sg/student-life/sascard> or contact the SASCard Office at sascard@sas.edu.sg or 6360 6075.



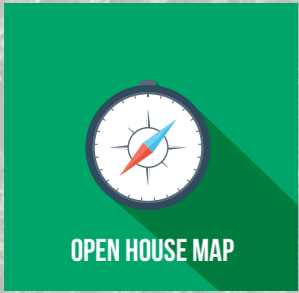
TRANSPORTATION

Guaranteed bus transportation is offered to all new and returning families who register with the bus office by the August 4 deadline. Please see the New Family Portal for further information.

If you miss this deadline for any reason, please visit the bus office, which is located by central administration, to arrange service for your family. You will need to fill out a registration form found at https://www.sas.edu.sg/uploaded/documents/Bus_Registration_Form.pdf.

You may return completed forms and fees to the bus office any time leading up to Open House. We suggest making this an immediate priority as bus routes are being created at this time. You will need to bring the registration form, one passport-sized photograph, and funds for the bus fee to the bus office. Alternatively, you can work via email with the bus office to arrange service.





ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



MIDDLE SCHOOL



HIGH SCHOOL



EARLY LEARNING CENTER



COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

High School Gym 2A



PRESCHOOL TO GRADE 8 UNIFORM SALES

High School Gym 1A



PTA ICE CREAM SOCIAL

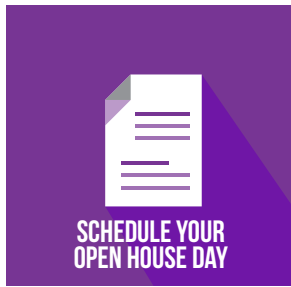
High School Cafeteria



HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM SALES

Booster Booth





1 | PARK OR TAKE THE COMPLIMENTARY MRT SHUTTLE BUS

Vehicular access will be from the front gate only. Parking will be available in front of the elementary school, in the elementary covered car park located behind the PTA office, basement car park at the high school, and along the middle and high school driveway.

Once campus parking is full, a "Car Park Full" sign will be displayed at the front gate. You will find additional parking at the HDB Car Park at Block 426A. If you park at the HDB car park you will need to use your Cashcard for payment. You may then access the school via the middle school pedestrian gate.

If you take the MRT on Open House day, SAS shuttle buses will pick you up at the station and bring you to campus. Pick-up at the Marsiling MRT Station taxi stand begins at 8:00 a.m. and continues every 20 minutes throughout the day. Shuttles from SAS back to Marsiling MRT Station will leave the central administration area every 20 minutes throughout the day, with the last shuttle departing SAS at 5:30 p.m.

2 | TAKE CARE OF TECH

New Students in Grade 7 and 8 - Collect your Laptop at 12:00 p.m.

New students in grade 7 and 8 must attend a mini laptop bootcamp where they will be trained in connecting to the SAS network and other services, digital citizenship, and general processes and procedures relating to the laptop program. Students will leave this session with their school assigned laptop and will be prepared to use it on the first day of school.

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. (please arrive on time to begin at 12:30 p.m.)

Venue: Middle School Library

New Grade 6 Students

New students in grade 6 will attend laptop bootcamp with all other grade 6 students during the first weeks of school. They will receive laptops during their designated laptop bootcamp.

New High School Students

All new students must bring their laptops and stop by the high school tech help center (H308) during open house or during the first two days of school so that they can get configured to the SAS wifi, set an SAS password, and set a Gmail password.

For information about high school technology, including purchasing information, go to http://www.sas.edu.sg/uploaded/documents/HS_Laptop_Info.pdf.

3 | VISIT TEACHERS AND CLASSROOMS

We hope you enjoy meeting your children's teachers and visiting various classrooms, libraries, and other facilities. If you wish to discuss your child's individual needs with a teacher or counselor, we ask that you schedule a time to do so outside of Open House.

4 | PURCHASE UNIFORMS

Venue: Gym 1A, second floor in the high school

5 | SCHEDULE BUS TRANSPORTATION

Venue: Bus Office

6 | GET YOUR SAS CARD

Venue: SASCard Office

7 | LEARN MORE ABOUT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Venue: Gym 2A, second floor in the high school

8 | ENJOY AN ICE CREAM, COMPLIMENTS OF THE SAS PTA

Venue: High School Cafeteria