#### 1. To which Board is Eklavya School affiliated?

Ans: Eklavya School, Ahmedabad is affiliated to the Council for Indian School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi that conducts the ICSE – Class 10 and ISC – Class 12 examinations.

#### 2. What are the subjects offered in Class 9 and 10?

Ans: Subjects offered in class 9 & 10 are as follows –

Compulsory - English, Hindi, Social Studies (History & Civics, Geography), SUPW, Mathematics, Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology)

Optional -6th Subject - One out of Economic Applications, Environment Applications and Art (Drawing & Painting)

#### 3. What are the subjects offered in Class 11 & 12?

Ans: Subjects offered in class 11 & 12 are as follows –

	SCIE	COMMERCE	HUMANITIES		
Stream - A	Stream - B	Stream - C	Stream - D		
1. English	1. English	1. English	1. English	1. English	1. English
2. Physics	2. Physics	2. Physics	2. Physics	2. Accounts	2. History
3. Chemistry	3. Chemistry	3. Chemistry	3. Chemistry	3. Commerce	3. Geography.
4. Mathematics	4. Mathematics	4. Psychology	4. Mathematics	4. Mathematics or Psychology	4.Mathematics or Psychology
5. Biology	5. Economics	5. Biology	5. Art	5. Economics	5. Economics or Art

#### 4. When does the school reopen for the new term?

Ans: Classes for Class 10 & 12 begin on 1 March of the year. Class 11 begins around 1 April and Class 9 about 15 April of the year.

#### 5. What is fees structure for class 9 to 12?

Ans: As recommend by the FRC. For further details, please contact our office at Core House, Near Parimal Garden, Ahmedabad.

#### 6. What are the school timings

Ans: School timings are 7.25 am to 3.05 pm on all week days including 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays are mostly non-working.

#### 7. What is the exact physical location of the school?

Ans: The school is located 4kms from Sarkhej Chokdi on the road towards Sanand at Sanathal village. All students and educators travel to and from school by the School Buses. The plying time of any given bus is 30 to 35 minutes from the first bus stop.

### 8. What is the result of the school for Class 10 & 12 for this year?

Ans: The school has been maintaining 100% results in the board exams.

100 % RESULTS - 2023								
No. of students								
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Sci	12 <sup>th</sup> Com	Arts				
Distinction	84 %	77 %	74 %	100 %				
First Class	16 %	23 %	22 %	-				
Second Class			4 %					
	100 %	100 %	100 %	100 %				
Average marks	85 %	85 %	80 %	85 %				
Highest	98 %	97 %	92 %	96 %				

# Average marks of Eklavya Students

Year	10 <sup>th</sup>		12 <sup>th</sup>						
	Average	Highest	Overall	Average Arts   Com   Sc		Highest			
2004	70	85	Average -	Arts	Com	Sc -	Arts	Com	Sc -
2005	77	91	-	-	-	11,000	( <b></b> )(	-	-
2006	78	93	76	79	74	78	88	75	94
2007	74	93	76	86	75	76	86	86	92
2008	81	96	81	72	80	84	77	92	95
2009	78	95	73	70	75	77	90	85	92
2010	81	96	79	75	81	81	83	90	93
2011	82	95	81	83	76	80	91	94	92
2012	87	94	78	75	79	77	87	91	89
2013	87	93	79	81	77	78	91	91	95
2014	82	95	76	72	77	79	91	93	97
2015	81	95	78	80	81	78	91	96	92
2016	85	97	83	84	82	80	93	91	94
2017	78	97	83	85	85	78	97	94	95
2018	83	95	79	77	79	82	92	91	97
2019	87	98	85	90	85	79	96	95	94
2020	87	99	86	94	85	79	98	97	95
2021	87	99	88	89	88	88	98	98	94
2022	85	97	81	83	81	80	95	98	97
2023	85	98	83	85	80	85	96	92	97

#### 9. What is the strength in each class?

Ans: Maximum of 25 students per class.

#### 10. What is the promotion policy for Eklavya School?

#### PREAMBLE TO THE PROMOTION POLICY

1. A student of Sunil Sir talks to him about putting up a factory. The student says -'Regulations stipulate that the height of room must be 12 feet. I have taken height of floor 11.5 feet the slab is six inches so my height from top of floor to the top of next floor is 12 feet. I am within the law. Law says three fire escapes must be there but I have reinterpreted it and I can still be within the law if I have two fire escapes.'

The student further gives many other such small small shortcuts where he proposes to reduce costs.

- 2. There is a person who is thinking of opening a school and he says to Sunil Sir 'School board norms say size of classroom must be 'x' square feet and the library must have atleast 'y' books per student. This I will fulfill.'
- 3. To these people Sir asks 'If your child is studying in Class 12 and the minimum pass marks is 40%. Will you ask your child to target a score of 42% or will you motivate her to aim for 92%?'
- 4. Immediately a gleam of understanding comes in Sir's student's eye! He has understood! Sir further tells 'Whatever factory you put up, whatever school you open or whatever business you want to do, you dream that it should be the best in India and not mediocre level or just pass.'
- 5. In Eklavya, since many years, our pass percentage for class 9 going to 10 is 40% in each subject and 45% overall.
- 6. Until now the Council has given an okay to this policy. Now they have said class 9 going to 10 students will have to score a minimum of 33% in each subject and same overall.
- 7. In Eklavya, for Class 11 going to 12 it is 45% in each subject and 50% overall.
- Until now the Council has given an okay to this policy.
   Now they have said class 11 going to 12 students will have to score a minimum of 35% in each subject and same overall.
- 9. This policy will now be applicable to Eklavya also.
- 10. We urge all parents and students to read points 1 to 4 again and strive for excellence.

#### PROMOTION POLICY

#### Promotion Policy - Class 9 going to class 10

The minimum passing marks in each subject (each written paper) is 40%. Overall pass percentage in all ten papers is 45%.

- 1. Compulsory Subjects:
- 1.1 Compulsory subjects are English1 Language & English 2, Literature, Hindi, Social Studies 1 History & Civics & Social Studies 2 Geography.
- 1.2 If a student fails in any one of the compulsory subjects mentioned above, with a score between 30% and 40%, she will be conditionally promoted to class 10. After conditional promotion the student must score minimum 40% in UT 1 & UT 2 of Class 10, failing which she will repeat class 9. If she scores less than 30% she will be detained in class 9.
- 1.3 If a student fails in English she will not be promoted to class 10.
- 1.4 If a student fails in more than one compulsory subject then she will be detained in class 9.
- 2. Other Subjects:
- 2.1 'Other subjects' are Science Paper 1 Physics, Paper 2 Chemistry & Paper 3 Biology, Mathematics and 6th subject - one out of Economic Applications, Environment Applications or Art
- 2.2 If a student fails in any one of the 'other subjects' mentioned above, with a score between 30% and 40%, she will be conditionally promoted to class 10. After conditional promotion the student must score minimum 40% in UT 1 & UT 2 of Class 10, failing which she will repeat class 9. If she scores less than 30% she will be detained in class 9.
- 2.3 If a student fails in more than one 'other subject' then she will not be promoted to class 10. The Council has recommended the following "It will be the responsibility of the Head of the School to ensure promotion from class 9 to 10 on the basis of the cumulative achievement level of the student throughout the academic year in the subjects he or she has been registered for.

For promotions, a candidate is required to have obtained atleast 33% marks in five subjects (severally) including English on the cumulative average and a minimum attendance of 75% of the working days. No other criteria will be used for promotion from class 9 to 10.

Promotion from Class 9 to Class 10 on Trial basis, on Re-examination or Awarding of Grace marks is not permissible and will not be accepted by the Council"

Eklavya would encourage and motivate students to rise much above the bare minimum pass marks and attendance and gain excellence in academics and attendance in school.

#### PROMOTION POLICY

#### Promotion Policy - Class 11 going to class 12

The minimum passing marks in each paper is 45%. Overall pass percentage in all six papers is 50%.

- 1. It is compulsory to pass in English, i.e. score 45%.
- 2. Of the remaining four subjects if a student fails in any one with a score between 35% and 45%, she will be conditionally promoted to class 12. After conditional promotion the student must score minimum 45% in UT 1 & UT 2 of Class 12 failing which she will repeat class 11. If she scores less than 35% she will be detained in class 11.
- 3. If a student fails in two or more Electives then she will not be promoted to class 12.
- 4. In case of the student repeating class 11 she is allowed to choose and decide the stream she wishes to opt for all over again.

The Council has recommended the following - "It will be the responsibility of the Head of the School to ensure that a student is promoted from class 11 to 12 on the basis of the cumulative achievement level of the student throughout the academic year in the subjects he or she has been registered for.

For promotions, a candidate is required to have obtained at least 35% marks in a minimum of four subjects which must include English, on the cumulative average and a minimum attendance of 75% of the working days. No other criteria will be used for promotion from class 11 to 12.

Promotions from Class 11 to Class 12 on Trial basis, Re-examination or Awarding of Grace marks is not permissible and will not be accepted by the Council"

Eklavya would encourage and motivate students to rise much above the bare minimum pass marks and attendance and gain excellence in academics and attendance in school.

Besides this policy Eklavya has two other policies that parents should be aware of –

#### **POLICY ON CHEATING**

Cheating means, "to deceive and act dishonestly." The definition would also include possession, exchange or use of unauthorized help. It does not build strength but hides weakness. It acts as a means of temporary success but does not aim in achieving academic excellence and integrity.

The mission of Eklavya School is to pass on to society, students with integrity and values. The policy on cheating is to help the student come out of it through counselling and self-realization. As a last resort, give a warning and thereafter expulsion from the school.

Any student of Eklavya found cheating or helping a student to cheat in will be dealt with in the following manner –

**Category 1-** Cheating during Tests / Exams (including Unit test, Class tests, Surprise tests, Midterm, Final, Revision and Preliminary Exams, practical, etc.).

Child will be made to realize the seriousness and gravity of the situation. Counseling will be done. Parents will be called and told about the incident. A letter will be issued in writing to be acknowledged by both the parents and the student.

The student will be awarded zero in the paper.

effect.

The student may be forgiven the "first" time. In case the student cheats again, she will be expelled from the school with immediate effect.

#### Category 2 - Assignments, Projects, Homework and Classwork.

Cheating in any of the above would mean copying out a para or more, which is the same as another student or from publications or from the Internet or any such practice deserving blame as plagiarism. (Some matter may be quoted as such and credit given to the said lines. Wherever there is a quote it must be written within inverted commas —"\_\_\_\_\_\_\_" and credit given to the source.)

Cheating will be suspected if a student who completed an assignment independently cannot explain both – details of the solution/ conclusion and the techniques used to arrive at the conclusions she has drawn while executing the assignment. In any such cases the decision of the concerned educator will be final.

A student copying an assignment – Homework or project or classwork from the notebook of another or copying through social media posts –like Whatsapp or Instagram - In such cases another student is involved who gives the notebook or takes photos of her own work and posts on social media groups. In such cases both – the student who has copied and the student who has helped the copying by giving the notebook or posting on social media will be penalized.

Sometimes parents 'do' the project for their child. It is not necessary to dictate material, write out the project, stick pictures or draw pictures and label them for the child. Let the child do all this on her own. If such a thing happens it, will be considered as cheating. It is okay to help your child gather and bring together information, discuss, etc.

The entire project, assignment or homework maybe cancelled and/or the student / students

- 1. shall redo the whole assignment within a specified time to be stipulated by the subject teacher after which marks will be given for the same. The total marks awarded will be less since a chance has been given to redo.
- It will be cancelled and shall be awarded zero marks for that particular evaluation.
   If this happens a second time, it will be cancelled and zero marks awarded.
   If this happens the third time, it will be cancelled and zero marks awarded.
   If this happens a fourth time, the student will be expelled from the school with immediate

#### ANTI BULLYING POLICY

Bullying is a pattern of repeated and deliberate attack on, or harassment of, or aggressive behaviour meant to hurt or cause discomfort to another person or group of people. Bullying may involve direct (physical or verbal) or indirect (psychological) attacks on a student.

Bullying can occur if we are insensitive to the feelings and safety of others. "It is only a joke" or "he doesn't mind" or "he's a friend of mine" are never acceptable excuses for bullying behavior.

A bully hurts, threatens or frightens his or her victim.

It is a hurtful behaviour, repeated again and again over a period of time, where it is difficult for those being bullied to defend themselves.

The aim of the anti-bullying policy is to ensure that pupils learn in a supportive, caring and safe environment. Bullying is an anti-social behaviour that affects everyone.

Eklavya has a firm policy of zero tolerance for bullying behaviour. Students need to know that bullying is not acceptable and will have consequences.

A breach of this policy by students will be regarded as a serious breach of discipline.

The main types of bullying are:

Physical - such as hitting, kicking, punching, pushing, shoving, stealing, damaging or destroying another's property, unwanted sexual touching / gestures

Verbal - such as offensive or abusive comments, ridiculing appearance, sarcasm, name calling, twisting name or surname to mean something derogatory, racist remarks, verbal intimidation, jealousy, sledging and sniggering.

Indirect – spreading malicious rumours, isolation, exclusion from social groups, display or circulation of written words, pictures or other materials aimed at intimidation, belittling and performing derogatory gestures, ignoring, turning others against a student, excluding from the group, unwanted staring in order to intimidate.

Extortion – demand for money, equipment or forcing a student to steal or copy or cheat.

Any action that subjects other students to harassment, or otherwise adversely affects other student's work and/or self esteem.

Damaging school property and the property of those within school. Theft, tampering or other abuse of the system, graffiti Use of technology to malign – use of web pages, e mails, text messages to abuse or intimidate a student, creating abusive/ fake sites of the student on Instagram or the web, writing derogatory remarks on the internet in order to isolate another, video recording without another's permission, taking photographs without the person's permission.

Eklavya's philosophy states that 'Eklavya is a happy and friendly community in which everyone respects, supports and cares about everyone else.' It is our aim to ensure that this is always true.

Eklavya School thus views bullying seriously and the school will take the firmest action against any forms of bullying.

School staff must be alert to the signs of bullying and act promptly and firmly against it in accordance with the school policy.

Isolated, individual instances of teasing or fighting will not be considered bullying.

Eklavya has a 'zero tolerance' policy towards bullying. All instances of bullying will be recorded and result in disciplinary action. Bullying can be very traumatic for the victim and has a degree of seriousness depending on the power imbalance between the bully and his/her victim. If –

Peer group child bullies peer group child of same gender - 1 Peer group boy bullies peer group girl - 10 A senior boy or girl bullies a junior boy or girl - 100 A senior boy bullies a junior girl - 1000

#### **Implementation**:

The procedure to be adopted in dealing with bullying incidents - If bullying is suspected or reported, the incident will be dealt with immediately. The concerned educators (class teacher and one more educator) will counsel both the bully and the victim. Students who were present at the time of the incident will be met and asked about the incident/s.

The Vice-Principal/Principal will take account of the evidence and all views. It will be ensured that all involved are kept informed.

The Vice-Principal/Principal may operate a system of sanctions and punishments which will reflect the seriousness of the offence.

Students who have been bullied (victim) will be supported by:

Offering an immediate opportunity to discuss the experience.

Reassuring the pupil by offering continuous support and restoring self-esteem and confidence.

Students who have bullied (aggressor/bully) will be helped by:

Discussing and discovering what happened and why the student became involved.

Establishing the wrong doing and need to change.

Informing parents/guardians and discussing incidents in great detail to help change the attitude of the student.

The following disciplinary actions may be taken:

Official written warnings to cease offending.

Detention

Exclusion from certain areas of school premises.

Minor fixed term exclusion from breaks, sports or activities.

Major fixed term exclusion - Suspension from the school

Permanent exclusion – Expulsion.

Parents will be called and apprised of the incidents and their child's involvement in bullying a student/s. The meeting will be documented and punitive measures that will be taken clearly explained to parents. A consensual approach to reform the student will be the first aim.

Repetitive bullying incidents will result in strict disciplinary action where the student who has bullied may even be asked to leave the school.

The school will review the policy from time to time and assess its implementation and effectiveness.

The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout the school.

The principal aim of the policy is to foster an atmosphere where bullying is discouraged and is seen to be inappropriate and wrong.

#### 11. Is there any cut-off for students seeking admission to various streams in Class 11?

Ans: There is no cut-off for admission to any stream for students of Eklavya. They are free to choose whatever stream interests them. However for students from other schools there is an admission procedure to be followed.

#### 12. What is the admission procedure for class 9 to 12?

Ans. Admission is given to students from any Board – CBSE, State Boards or ICSE in class 9 & 11. No admissions are granted in Class 10 or 12 unless the student is shifting from an ICSE school.

Students seeking admission to Class 9 & 11 are required to appear for an entrance exam. They must also submit their previous 4 years annual mark sheets with the application for Admission. The Principal and another educator personally interact with the student after which decision for granting admission is taken.

## 13. Does the school allow tuitions in classes 9 to 12? Does the school arrange for coaching for competitive exams like IIT-JEE, AIEEE, CPMT, etc.?

Ans: The school disallows private tuition or attending coaching classes.

Eklavya's philosophy is that tuitions are harmful rather than helpful to children and hamper and hinder the child's progress in an irremediable fashion. The child taking tuitions becomes dependent on these `crutches' and after some time cannot do without them. This causes immense loss of self esteem and self confidence. Eklavya expects parents and children to work together towards the academic goal.

Educators are not allowed to take private tuition whether it is for students of Eklavya School or others. Parents are requested to bring cases of Eklavya educators/children taking tuition to the notice of the Principal.

Students are disallowed from receiving tuition - from Eklavya educators or others.

Eklavya believes that the best tuition is for parents to work together with the child. In case a parent feels that her ward has a specific need for special assistance, she must contact the Principal in this regard.

We are philosophically against coaching classes. They do more harm than good. It is better to study well from class 9 to 12 and make a strong foundation. When students attend coaching classes there is too much burden and pressure they end up paying a heavy price that is not so obvious or apparent at first glance.

Patterns of entrance exams like the GUJCET, IIT, CPMT or AIEEE are changing and a thorough study of all concepts is required.

Class 9 to 12 is also a time for personality development through activities, sports and reading. These valuable inputs take a back seat as coaching class encroaches upon this.