#### 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 Application, Technical Drawing 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 –

	SCIENCE			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. Psychology or Mathematics
3. Chemistry	3. Chemistry	3. Chemistry	3. Chemistry	3. Commerce	
4. Maths	4. Maths	4. Biology	4. Maths	4. Economics	3. Economics or Art
5. Biology	5. Economics	5. Psychology	5. Art	5. Mathematics or Business Studies	<ul><li>4. History</li><li>5. Geography.</li></ul>

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

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

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

Fees	Class 9	Class 10	Classes 11-12 ( Science )	Classes 11-12 (Com & Hum)
School Fee (including Bus fee, Stationery & Activities). (Half-yearly)	78,000	82,800	94,200	82,800
One-Time Non- refundable Admission Fee	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000

The structure given above is for the academic year 2017 - 18. An increase of 10 - 15% in fees is seen every year.

# 6. What are the school timings

Ans: School timings are 7.25 am to 3.00 pm on all week days including 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays. There is no school on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays.

# 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.

Class	10 <sup>th</sup> (ICSE Exam)														
Year	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Distinction	41	57	61	51	78	64	36	52	43	44	60	46	41	39	43
First Class	37	43	39	39	20	33	17	13	26	27	07	16	6	12	13
Second Class	22			10		3		01	04	02	01			01	02
Pass Class					2										
Average marks (%)	70	78	78	74	81	73	81	82	86	87	82	83	84	78	83

Class	12 <sup>th</sup> (I	12 <sup>th</sup> (ISC Exam)											
Year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Distinction	67	50	80	48	28	34	25	20	40	29	23	20	24
First Class	33	50	20	42	8	15	07	11	07	17	8	05	09
Second Class				10		01	0	01	08			01	02
Pass Class													
Average marks (%)	77	76	81	78	80	81	78	79	76	80	84	83	79

# 9. What is the strength in each class?

Ans: Maximum of 25 students per class.

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

#### PROMOTION POLICY

#### Class 9 to 10

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

# 2. Compulsory Subjects -

- 2.1 Compulsory subjects are English1 & 2, Hindi, and Social Studies 1 History & Civics, Social Studies 2 Geography.
- 2.2 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 each the 1<sup>st</sup> & the 2nd UT 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 compulsory subject then she will be detained in class 9.

## 3. Other Subjects –

- 3.1 'Other subjects' are Science Physics, Chemistry & Biology, Mathematics and 6<sup>th</sup> subject one of Economic Applications, Technical Drawing Applications or Art
- 3.2 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 each the 1<sup>st</sup> & the 2nd UT of Class 10, failing which she will repeat class 9. If she scores less than 30% she will be detained in class 9.
- 3.3 If a student fails in more than one 'other subject' then she will be detained in class 9.

#### 4. Percentage Calculation –

4.1 The percentage is calculated in each subject by the following formula – 20% from UT + 30% from 1<sup>st</sup> Term + 45% from 2<sup>nd</sup> Term + 5% from Continuous Evaluation (Regularity, Homework, Class-work, Project submission, Attendance & Behaviour).

#### 4.2 The calculation of percentage in each paper is as follows –

4 UT's of 20 marks each	= 80  marks  X 0.25	20
1 <sup>st</sup> Term exam	= 100  marks  X 0.30	30
2 <sup>nd</sup> Term exam	= 100  marks  X 0.45	45
	Sub – Total	95
Continuous Evaluation	=	5
	GRAND TOTAL	100

#### PROMOTION POLICY

#### Class 11 to 12

- 1. The minimum passing marks in each subject is 45%. Overall pass percentage in all six subjects is 50%.
- 2. It is compulsory to pass in English, i.e. 45%.
- 3. 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 each the 1<sup>st</sup> & the 2nd UT of Class 12 failing which she will repeat class 11. If she scores less than 35% she will be detained in class 11.
- 4. If a student fails in two or more Electives then she is detained in class 11.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Percentage Calculation -
- 6.1 The percentage is calculated in each subject by the following formula 20% from UT + 30% from 1<sup>st</sup> Term + 45% from 2<sup>nd</sup> Term + 5% from Continuous Evaluation (Regularity, Homework, Class-work, Project submission, Attendance & Behaviour).
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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 turnout students with integrity and values. The policy on cheating is to help the student come out of it through counseling and self-realization. As a last resort give a warning and thereafter expulsion from the school.

Any student caught cheating or helping a student to cheat in Eklavya will be dealt with in the following manner.

# **Category 1-** Cheating during Tests / Exams (including Unit test, Mid-term, 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.

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

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

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.

Cheating will be suspected if a student who completed an assignment independently cannot explain both the intricacies of the solution and the techniques used to generate that solution.

In any such cases the decision of the concerned educator will be final.

The entire project, assignment or homework will be cancelled and the student / students shall *redo the whole assignment again* within a specified time to be stipulated by the subject teacher after which marks will be given for the same.

#### ANTI BULLYING POLICY

Bullying is a pattern of aggressive behaviour meant to hurt or cause discomfort to another person. Bullying may involve direct (physical or verbal) or indirect (psychological) attacks on a student.

A bully intends to hurt, threaten or frighten his or her victim.

It is a deliberately hurtful behaviour,-repeated 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 and affects everyone.

Our school 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 pupils will be regarded as a serious breach of discipline.

The main types of bullying are:

- Physical (hitting, kicking, theft)
- Verbal (name calling, racist remarks)
- Indirect (spreading rumours, excluding someone from social groups)
- Any action that subjects other students to harassment, or otherwise adversely affects other student's work.
- Damaging the school property and the property of those within school. Theft, tampering or other abuse of the system.
- Use of technology (eg e-mails and instant message) to malign.

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.

#### Implementation:

The procedure to be adopted in dealing with bullying incidents - If bullying is suspected or reported, the incident will be dealt immediately. The concerned educators (class teacher and one more educator) will counsel both the bully and the victim.

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

- The head of the institution may operate a system of sanctions and punishments which will reflect the seriousness of the offence.

Pupils who have been bullied will be supported by:

- Offering an immediate opportunity to discuss the experience.
- Reassuring the pupil by offering continuous support and restoring self-esteemand confidence.

#### Pupils who have bullied will be helped by:

- Discussing and discovering what happened and why the pupil became involved.
- Establishing the wrong doing and need to change.
- Informing parents/guardians to help change the attitude of the pupil.

The following disciplinary actions can be taken:

- Official written warnings to cease offending.
- Detention
- Exclusion from certain areas of school premises.
- Minor fixed term exclusion.
- Major fixed term exclusion. (Suspension from the school)
- Permanent exclusion. (Rustication)

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.

## 11. 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.