

The official newsletter of 10X International School
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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



10X International School, Bangalore, is proud to share two remarkable milestones from our current academic journey:

- The overall scholarship amount secured
- across all college admission offers is \$ 21,23,797.
- MYP students achieved a school average of 47/56 in the May 2025 session, with Yi Zou securing a perfect score of 56/56

FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR

DR. CHIRAG JHALA

"Paths are made by walking." — Franz Kafka.

As a school community, we often pause to reflect on where we are, what we have achieved, and where we must go next. This year has given us many reasons to be grateful. Our Middle Years Programme (MYP) students have demonstrated that excellence is achievable when effort and purpose are aligned. With a school average of **47 out of 56** in the May 2025 examination session, they have demonstrated consistency and strength. Among them, **Yi Zou's perfect score of 56 out of 56** reminds us of the heights that can be reached when determination meets clarity of vision. Yet achievement is not only measured by numbers. It is also found in the spirit with which we face challenges. Over time, our school has shown that setbacks do not define us. What defines us is our ability to rise again, to keep moving forward, and to turn difficulties into opportunities for growth. This is why we count resilience as one of our most outstanding achievements. It is resilience that gives meaning to every success and courage to every step forward. Looking ahead, we remain deeply committed to our vision: **"To empower a student to create their own future through agency, purpose, and innovation."** This is not a distant aspiration; it is a promise we live by. The way forward is to continually align our daily practices with this vision—through every lesson taught, every idea explored, and every challenge we embrace. With resilience as our foundation and vision as our guide, we are confident that our students will not only succeed but also create meaningful futures for themselves and others.

PLACEMENT UPDATES

1. We are proud to share the placement achievements of the Class of 2024 and 2025. Our students have received offers from prestigious institutions across the globe:

USA: UC Berkeley, Georgia Tech, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Rochester Institute of Technology, New York University, American University of Antigua (Medical), University of Maryland College Park (Honors Program), Purdue University, Northeastern University, Syracuse University - Maxwell School of Public Affairs & Governance, University of San Francisco, SUNY Buffalo, Stony Brook University, Case Western Reserve University, Union College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Baylor University, Virginia Commonwealth University, Arizona State University, James Madison University, Temple University, Long Island University, George Mason University.

UK: King's College London, University of St Andrews, University of Edinburgh, University of Bath.

India: NMIMS, FLAME University, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Shiv Nadar University, Alliance University.

UAE: BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus, Emirates Flight Training Academy.

Netherlands: University of Groningen.

New Zealand: Massey University, IAANZ Flying School (International Aviation Academy of New Zealand)

Caribbean: American University of Antigua, St. George's University (Grenada.)



CAREER PLACEMENTS

2025



Pranav Sai Morisethy
Computer Science



Arjun Garg
Mathematics



Rohan Basava
Business Studies



Chirag Gowda
Medicine



Aryan Hegde
Economics



Jai Rishik
Economics



Prateesh Tiwari
Computer Science



Sayan Dahiya
Computer Science



Sachee Moholkar
International Relations



Nakath Venkatesh
Business Studies



Shourya Moholkar
Pilot Training



Rohit Kancharla
Business Studies

TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$21,23,798

PLACEMENT UPDATES

Country	No. of Offers
USA	33
UK	4
India	5
UAE	2
Netherlands	1
New Zealand	2
Caribbean	2

2. Many students received significant merit scholarship and need based financial aid with totals ranging from \$56,000 to over \$500,000 across multiple offers. The overall scholarship amount secured across all admission offers is **\$ 21,23,797**. Scholarship types included merit-based awards, accelerated merit scholarships, honours scholarship, Provost and Presidential scholarships, and FAFSA aid for eligible US citizens.

3. During this period, we have had multiple speakers both from Industry and students who have addressed our students.

Industry Speakers:

- Joshua Gupta, incoming Harvard University student shared insights, tips and tricks on putting together a strong college application.
- Dr Rajiv Gandhi, Professor at Rutgers University and UPenn and founder of PACT programme shared insights on UG education & academic life in the US and the rising importance of CS & Data Science in future careers.
- Dr Anish Roy Chowdhury, Associate Professor of Practice at Plaksha University deep dived into the power of Generative AI and its practical implementation across academic and innovation.



PLACEMENT UPDATES

4. For Grade 12, a series of application preparation workshops were conducted to guide students through the process of filling applications such as the Common App, University of California (UC) Application, and UCAS. In addition, dedicated writing workshops were organized, including a US university essay writing session by Julie Chiu (USC) and Anite Weiss (Columbia University), along with two Personal Narrative workshops for US and UK application essays led by Ms. Priyanka, an independent essay writing expert.

5. Continued visits from universities across India, USA, UK, Australia, Canada, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Qatar, France.

6. Our counsellor had the opportunity to meet with representatives from leading institutions such as Johns Hopkins University, Purdue University, Vanderbilt University, and American University, along with liberal arts colleges including Wellesley College, Claremont McKenna College, Vassar College, Haverford College, Colgate University, Wesleyan University, Bates College, and Davidson College.

7. Within our school campus, we welcomed several universities since reopening. The first round of visits included Brandeis University, Boston College, Washington University, Emory University, SUNY Binghamton, and Loyola Marymount University. This was followed by a second round featuring Macalester College, Bucknell University, Dickinson College, Sarah Lawrence College, Carleton College, Smith College, Hamilton College, Ohio Wesleyan University, Bryn Mawr College, Lewis & Clark College, and Lafayette University. Additionally, the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland visited, providing valuable insights into medical pathways abroad.

8. Our counsellors actively participated in the G2 GlobalEd Conference and the iC3 Regional Forum, gaining valuable insights into global higher education trends, admissions processes, and emerging opportunities for students. These platforms also enabled meaningful networking with university representatives and educators worldwide, strengthening our school’s ability to guide students effectively in their college readiness journey.



ACHIEVEMENTS OF 10X STUDENTS

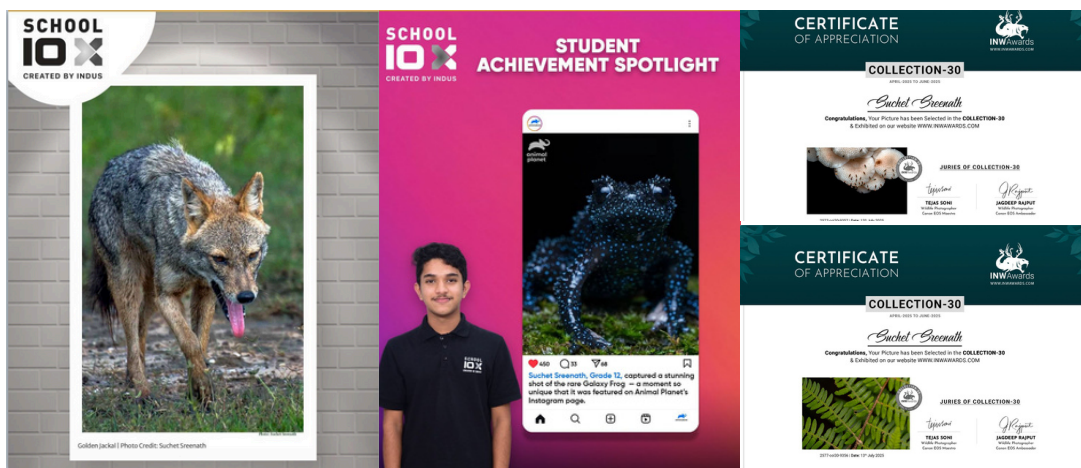
- Yajath, Grade 11 participated in the prestigious International Youth Astronomy Camp held in the Netherlands, a month-long immersive program that brought together young astronomy enthusiasts from across the globe. His selection highlights his passion for science and his ability to represent our school in an international academic forum.

Hear from his regarding his experience:

"With only ~65 participants selected worldwide (5–10% acceptance rate), I was privileged to be the sole participant from India.

- My Research Project: Measuring lunar mountain heights using shadow analysis from high-resolution telescope images.
- Operated Schmidt-Cassegrain, Newtonian & Dobsonian telescopes
- Used ZWO cameras, DSLRs & filters
- Star drift calibration with Altair + Python modeling for accurate results

Beyond science, the camp was about cultural exchange, stargazing under pristine dark skies, and friendships across continents. Truly the best camp I've ever attended."



- Suchet from Grade 12 photographic talent caught nationwide attention when his photo of the Galaxy Frog was featured on Animal Planet India’s Instagram page. His work not only celebrates the beauty of nature but also reflects his eye for rare and captivating moments in the wild. Also, he had his stunning photograph of a golden jackal published in The Hindu, one of India’s leading national dailies. Adding further glory to his profile, Suchet had two of his photographs featured in the Indian Nature and Wildlife Photography (INW) Award Collection-30. His passion for wildlife and artistic skill continue to earn him prestigious recognition on national platforms.

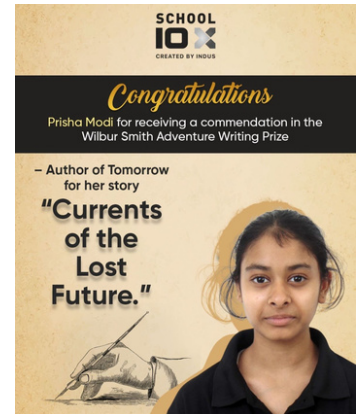
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- Out of a staggering 63,328 candidates, Riya achieved the remarkable distinction of being shortlisted among the best for the John Locke Essay competition. Drawn from the top 18.65%, her selection highlights her perseverance, intellectual brilliance, and commitment to excellence in highly competitive arenas.
- Avyan from Grade 10, has been shortlisted from Ashoka University to be part of an elite cohort of just 30 students, mentored by Dr. Sagar Srivastava. This distinguished group will be groomed to compete in the European Tournament of Enthusiastic Apprentice Mathematicians, affirming Avyan’s mathematical prowess.
- We are incredibly proud of Suchita from Grade 12, who explored the evolving gender dynamics in Warli and Saura — two of India’s most iconic indigenous art forms. She presented her paper at the prestigious 11th World Conference on Women’s Studies in Colombo — a remarkable achievement that reflects her passion for meaningful inquiry and social impact.
- Advaith for Grade 11, showcased exceptional analytical ability in the Cambridge Economics and Finance Competition, securing 6th rank globally with an outstanding score of 98/100. For this, he was honored with the Honour Award, underscoring his strength in economics and problem-solving.
- Demonstrating continued excellence, Advaith achieved 13th rank All India in the International Economics Olympiad – All India Qualifier 2025. This performance reflects his consistent dedication to economic sciences and his ability to thrive in competitive intellectual platforms.
- Bharat from Grade 12, brought laurels by winning the Asian Bronze Medal in the highly competitive Physics Bowl by American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT). His remarkable performance at an international level reflects his commitment to scientific inquiry and his talent in solving challenging physics problems.



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- Prisha from Grade 10, literary flair shone through as she earned a commendation in the Wilbur Smith Adventure Writing Prize – Author of Tomorrow category. Her imaginative story, Currents of the Lost Future, won her praise for weaving adventure and creativity into compelling storytelling.
- We're proud to celebrate Akshay Shankar for his outstanding accomplishment in the CeNSE Summer School 2025 on Semiconductor Technology. Akshay was awarded a Certificate of Distinction for scoring above 75%, reflecting his deep understanding and commitment to this advanced field. The program, conducted online by the esteemed Centre for Nano Science and Engineering at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, brought together young scholars passionate about cutting-edge nanotechnology and semiconductor research. Akshay's achievement not only demonstrates his academic excellence but also his eagerness to engage with emerging science and technology domains beyond the classroom.



- Avani Radheshyam, a Grade 11 student at 10X International School, Bangalore, has developed an innovative mobile application called OncoCaregiver aimed at empowering caregivers of cancer patients. This app is designed to provide crucial emotional, medical, and logistical support to those who often play a silent yet vital role in the cancer care journey. Recognizing that caregivers frequently face challenges, especially in understanding complex treatments and navigating the healthcare system, OncoCaregiver seeks to make support more accessible and comprehensive.
- Avani Radheshyam, a Grade 11 student at 10X International School, Bangalore, has been honored with the Rising Leaders Recognition at the prestigious 18 Under 18 Awards 2025. This distinguished award, judged by graduates from Harvard, Stanford, and Yale, celebrates young changemakers making a significant impact.



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- Avani Radheshyam, a Grade 11 student at 10X International School, has authored a remarkable research paper published in the academic journal Curieux. Her work decodes the stirrup spout bottles of the ancient Moche civilization of Peru, interpreting them not merely as artifacts but as cultural texts rich with symbolism. Through these vessels, she explores themes such as dualistic cosmology and elite identity, revealing how the Moche encoded their beliefs and rituals in clay. Avani's research provides a fresh lens on understanding history when written records are absent, highlighting the profound connection between form, function, and cultural expression in this ancient society. This publication showcases her exceptional analytical skills and passion for uncovering hidden narratives in history.
- Suchita Agarwalla and Amishi Singhal, Grade 12 have been awarded the Most Global Impact Award at the prestigious Jacobs Teen Innovation Challenge 2025. Organized by the Jacobs Institute for Innovation in Education at the University of San Diego, this competition recognizes innovative solutions to pressing global problems. Their project, Project Breathe, stood out among 77 entries for its strong alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and its potential to address challenges that transcend borders. This accolade highlights their creativity, commitment, and global mindset in making a difference beyond their local community.



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MYP UPDATES:



At 10X International School, we believe excellence is built on consistent effort, curiosity, and resilience. The **May 2025 MYP examination** session reflected this spirit, with our students once again outperforming global benchmarks and demonstrating both academic strength and personal growth.

Overall Performance

Total Students: 18

Total Subjects Assessed: 19

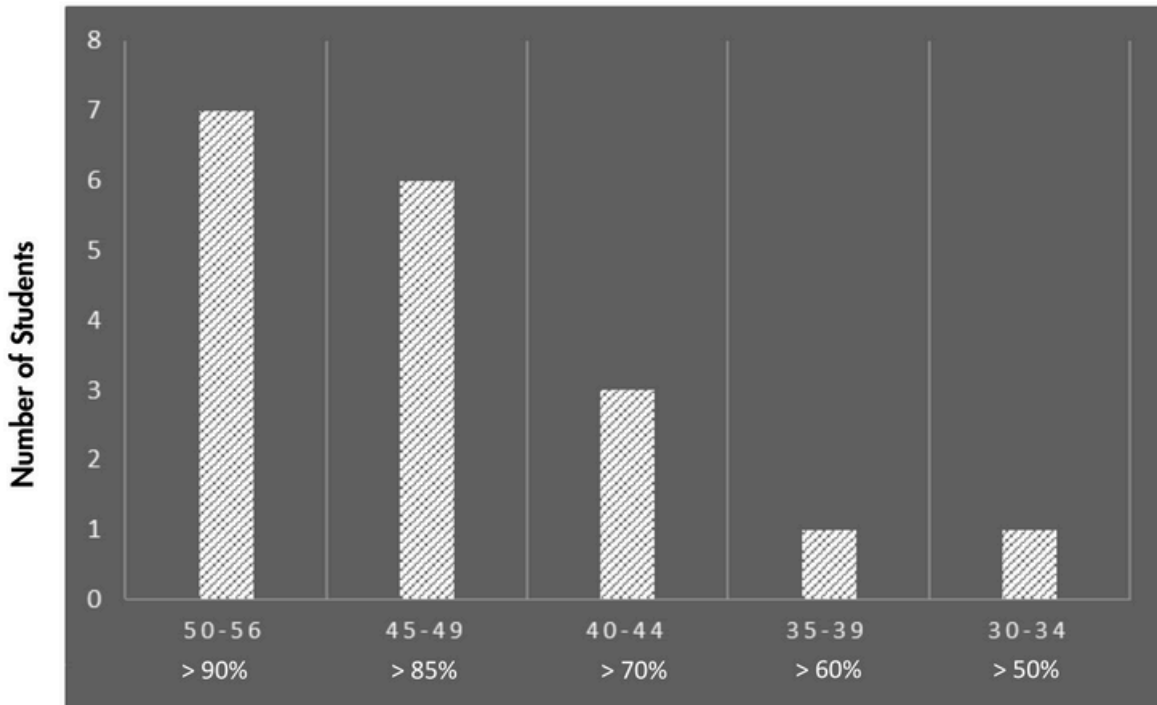
School Average: 47/56, significantly above the global average.

As we celebrate these achievements, we also reaffirm our commitment to continuous growth. With resilience, creativity, and a clear vision, our students are building the foundation not just for academic excellence but for meaningful futures as leaders and innovators.

ACADEMIC UPDATES

MYP UPDATES:

Grade 10 MYP Results '25



Score Distribution

🏆 Key Achievements

- **Top Performing Subjects:** Our students achieved remarkable success in the Personal Project (6.17 vs 3.94 global average), History (6.3 vs 4.51), Design (6.18 vs 4.97), IDU (6.0 vs 4.8), and English Language & Literature (5.83 vs 4.82). These results highlight student creativity, conceptual understanding, and strong literacy skills.
- **Science Excellence:** In Biology, Chemistry, and Physics, students consistently outperformed global averages, with several achieving the top grade of 7. Biology stood out with an average of 5.89 compared to the global 4.07.
- **Languages:** Students excelled in Hindi and Spanish (Capable level), both achieving a perfect score of 7.0, significantly higher than global benchmarks. Spanish Emergent learners also achieved an impressive 6.0 average vs 4.76 globally.

These results show that 10X students are not only meeting but exceeding global standards across critical academic areas. More importantly, the Personal Project’s outstanding results reflect our school’s commitment to nurturing independence, inquiry, and innovation—skills that prepare students for success beyond examinations.

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DP UPDATES:

- **Grade 12 TOK Exhibition:** Our Grade 12 students showcased their critical thinking and inquiry skills through the Theory of Knowledge (TOK) Exhibition, reflecting how classroom learning connects to real-world contexts. **Check out our TOK Exhibition highlight here: <https://youtu.be/CpiH2AGP3B4>**



- **Mentoring & Support:** Students are receiving structured mentoring that includes goal setting, academic guidance, and social-emotional learning support, ensuring they remain focused and prepared for their board examinations.
- **Grade 11 Orientation:** New students in Grade 11 participated in subject orientation and introductory sessions with STEAM-H and Life Entrepreneurship (LE), designed to help them transition smoothly and achieve expected outcomes.
- **TEDx Youth License:** The school has been awarded a prestigious TEDx Youth Event License, enabling our students to host talks that amplify their voices and ideas on a global platform.

LIFE ENTREPRENEURSHIP UPDATES:

For DTP cycle 1, 10x Bengaluru students have come up with some very thought provoking and human-centred problem areas.

Grade 9

- **Project Echowear** – A wearable device to support mute individuals and reduce feelings of loneliness (based on primary research with speech impaired individuals and caregivers).
- **Financial Literacy Awareness** – Initiative to create awareness on financial literacy for domestic workers and low-income urban families.
- A group is reimagining how **prevention of crimes against women in public spaces** can be approached, moving beyond emergency response to proactive safety solutions.

Grade 10

Completed insightful user studies and identified meaningful problem gaps.

Key Problem Areas & Projects:

- **Ethics & AI in Schools** – Exploring responsible use of AI in education.
- **Reframers** – A learning kit designed for specially-abled students to help them learn science concepts.
- **Detecting Spiking in Beverages** – A safety-oriented innovation for public well-being.
- Additional six projects in ideation phase.

Grade 11

Reflects maturity after two years of DTP training; projects moving toward pre-incubation stage.

Key Projects:

- **RAITU** – An all-in-one affordable farming machine set to revolutionize agriculture, nearing prototype and market readiness.
- **Vision Xcelerate** – Designed to assist dementia patients in daily life.
- **Surveillance Solutions** – Tech-driven systems to detect and prevent crimes in public spaces.

Overall DTP Cycle Outlook (Sept–Nov)

Intensive phase featuring:

- Industry Mentorship
- Collaborations with institutes like IISc & Pearl Academy
- Rigorous sprints in ideation, prototyping, and testing

Expected outcomes: human-centered innovations with strong social and market relevance.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	DAY	MAJOR EVENTS
12th - 26th September, 2025	Friday - Friday	Half Yearly Examination [Grade 12]
15th - 26 th September, 2025	Monday - Friday	Half Yearly Examination [Grade 10]
1st - 5th October, 2025	Wednesday - Friday	Dussehra Break
6th October, 2025	Monday	School Reopens for all students after Dussehra Break [Grades 9 - 12]
9th October, 2025	Wednesday	Half Yearly Examination [10 and 12 Reports Published]
10th October, 2025	Friday	Investiture Ceremony
11th October, 2025	Saturday	PTM [Grade 10 & 12] Offline



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Principal

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