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About Us

Online Schooling tailored for Academic Success

ASA Academy is an online high school that has been formed from the need for comprehensive and efficient online education with the focus on ensuring students receive the best instruction in order for them to reach their academic goals.

With over 5 years' experience in helping students bridge the gap between classroom instruction and individual understanding, Academic Success Achievers has gained immense success in the realm of individual student education. The company's online high school is built on that solid foundation and is geared towards students' enrichment.

Our approach focuses on centering the student's comprehension and full understanding of the curriculum by surrounding them with professional and dedicated educators and experienced, well-trained tutors. All lessons are offered through scheduled live classes that are combined with support sessions and additional study and writing masterclasses. Students are regularly quizzed which offers continuous feedback and informs any additional individual assistance that is offered while assignments and other written assessments are marked by teachers and accredited examiners. With regular reporting, parents stay informed on their student's progress.

Teaching is built on the globally-recognised and respected Pearson Edexcel British International curriculum. This curriculum has been chosen as it is not only locally recognized but also opens a world of opportunities for international post-high school education. Our educators, tutors and instructors all work together with the goal of equipping our students to become empowered leaders in their fields.

Success requires continuous encouragement and support and is the reason we have built a comprehensive support system to ensure the wellbeing of every student that comes through our school.

Be a part of our purpose-driven team that is dedicated to imparting knowledge to our next generation of determined and successful leaders. Working together, we will provide your child with all the tools they need to reach their goals in high school and beyond.

Our Mission:

To open the world of opportunities and increase student's global potential through a high quality, international learning program.

The Pillars of Learning

The ASA Academy centers learning on a well-rounded approach to education with focus on helping students build their academic confidence, grow their thirst for knowledge and achieve their academic goals. Our strategy for developing growth in our students is built on these pillars of learning:

01

Dynamic Learning

Our educators deliver the internationally-acclaimed curriculum with live, interactive lessons that are recorded to allow self-paced learning.

02

Personalized Classroom Management

Our platform uses a data-driven approach to managing the students' progress over continuous assessments that allow educators to identify areas where they need assistance.

03

Academic Support

Students are offered additional support in the areas where they need assistance and are constantly offered encouragement and individual attention.

04

Enrichment Programs

While online learning can be a solitary endeavour, we offer structured enrichment programs that foster well-rounded individuals. These include private tuition and student counsellors on hand.

Our Learning Platform

ASA Academy uses an online learning platform that can be accessed by our students and guardians over our website as well as on our mobile app. The convenience and innovation of this platform is what defines our successful online learning offering and allows us to assist our students on the way to their success.

01

Live Dashboard



Offers an overview of all student-related information.

02

Calendar & Timetables



Class schedule and important dates are easily visible.

03

Staff Communication



Easy access to messaging with educators and admin.

04

Progress Monitoring



Student's progress can be easily monitored on the platform.

05

Access to Study Material



Any extra study material and book-lending available through online library.

The ASA Approach

01

PASSIONATE EDUCATORS

We only use SACE-registered educators who are passionate in their delivery of knowledge in the subjects they teach. These educators work hard to ensure that they are reaching each student through live and recorded sessions while monitoring each student's progress.

02

WELL-TRAINED TUTORS

ASA has years of experience with providing dedicated and well-trained tutors that are able to work with each student to meet them where they are and help them exceed their goals. Our tutors are informed on different learning styles to provide students with additional personalized assistance.

03

ENGAGING CURRICULUM CONTENT

Using the Pearson Edexcel syllabus, additional study materials and textbooks, our educators deliver engaging and interactive lessons in small classes so that attention is better distributed amongst the students to stop any students from being left behind in a digital learning environment.

04

GUARDIAN ENGAGEMENT

We aim to always equip our students' guardians with the knowledge and support structure they need to ensure that their child's educational journey is a success. Each guardian has a profile on our Learning Platform that can also be accessed on our dedicated mobile app. This allows each guardian to monitor the child's schedule, progress, financial statements and more.

The ASA Academy Graduate Skills

With our approach to education, we focus on the development of skills that are integral beyond academics. These are developed through things like completion of independent assigned work, collaborative efforts with educators and fellow students as well as the virtual clubs. By the time learners graduate from our academy, they have skills that will pave the way to success in life.



Pearson Curriculum

Pearson is the UK's largest awarding organization with over 150 years' experience of delivering world-class recognized qualifications and best placed to provide qualifications aligned to the British educational system. Proven by independent research to be the most reliable awarding organization in the UK and is recognized and trusted to provide high quality qualifications.



Completing your Pearson International qualification opens up your opportunities for tertiary education as well as access to the world's top universities and prestigious employment opportunities. The Pearson Edexcel international academic qualifications are accepted by over 2000 universities locally and internationally and are recognized by leading universities across the world – including Oxford, Cambridge, Columbia University and Yale University.

The quality of the content created for this curriculum, combined with the rigorous assessment standards ensure that learners leave the school well-equipped for university and life.

South African learners wishing to pursue their tertiary education at a South African university will need to make sure they meet the matric exemption requirements and apply for this exemption. The matric exemption is granted by Universities South Africa (USAf). A matriculation exemption is a prerequisite for applying for university study in South Africa.

Pearson Curriculum

Eligibility To Study

We are currently accepting 14-16-year-olds starting in Year 10. We will continue with this group all the way up to their A-Levels in Year 13.

The Pearson Edexcel curriculum is divided into three stages. There are specific criteria for admission to study at the ASA Academy which is outlined in our Admissions Policy.

Stage	Qualification		Year	Age	Qualification Length
Pearson International Upper Secondary	Int. GCSE 24 Months	Int. GCSE 1	Year 10	14+	12 Months
		Int. GCSE 2	Year 11	15+	12 Months
Pearson International Advanced	Int. AS-Levels 18 Months	Int. AS-Levels	Year 12/13	16+	18 Months
	Int. A-Levels 24 Months	Int. AS-Levels	Year 12	17+	12 Months
		Int. A-Levels	Year 13	18+	12 Months



Please consult our International British Curriculum Handbook for more detailed information.

Curriculum Stages

International GCSE

Students aged 14–16 can currently join our academy at the International GCSE Phase. The IGCSE phase comprises rigorous courses to prepare students for the Advanced Levels. The IGCSEs develop critical thinking, problem-solving and maturity in students within the subject fields that they choose. The IGCSEs are done over two years and have been built around a student-centered learning approach. The ASA Academy uses an accredited Pearson examination centre for all assessments and also works with tutoring students using the Pearson curriculum.

International GCSE: Subject choices

Subject choices are important for tertiary education purposes. The appropriate IGCSE subjects should be chosen taking the intended university course into account. You can only choose electives within either the **Science** or **Commerce** stream.



Compulsory Subjects:

- English Home Language (0110)
- Core Mathematics (0120)

Additional Language:

- Afrikaans (0210)

Science Stream Electives:

- Biology (0310)
- Chemistry (0320)
- Physics (0330)

Commerce Stream Electives:

- Accounting (0410)
- Business (0420)
- Economics (0430)

◆ Please consult our [Subject Selection and Curriculum Plans Policy](#) for more detailed information about the subjects.

Advanced Levels

The International AS- and A-level phases are advanced courses to prepare students for University degree-level courses. The AS/A level courses develop deep critical thinking and problem-solving skills while synthesizing confidence and maturity at an in-depth level. The AS-levels are done over one year, followed by the A-level year.

The ASA Academy will only offer the Advanced levels from 2025. The confirmed list of AS and A-Level subjects will only be published in 2024.

Calendar & Examination Info

School Calendar

We have a four-term academic year starting in January and concluding in December.

Our terms work in conjunction with South African school term dates as provided by the Department of Education.

Learners need to move in a timely manner and meet fixed Assessments and Internal Examination blocks throughout each qualification to pass. Please review our 2024 yearly calendar.

You can also look through our Stationery and Equipment List.

Examinations

External Pearson International examinations are written either in May/June or Oct/Nov each year for IGCSE, AS- and A-Levels and are carried out by a Pearson-accredited centre that is partnered with the ASA Academy.

Learners will need to register as private candidates at the approved list of centres sent to parents and guardians. The ASA Academy will support families by providing resources to guide you through the registration process, including helping you understand any special considerations you need to be aware of, what subjects and subject codes to register for and lots more information. Our goal is to work with you every step of the way and help you avoid any pitfalls when registering your child for their examinations.

*It is the responsibility of each learner to make their way to the venue on their own accord. External examination fees will vary depending on the prices supplied by the Examination centre.

Learner Support

Private Tuition

Using tutors sourced through the ASA Tuition Agency, our Academy focuses on individual support and motivation. Our fees include a private tuition package that ensures that every student gets one-on-one assistance in any topic they need.

Our educators help identify the areas where support is needed and our trained tutors assist the students through their academic needs with focus on study skills and techniques, time management, motivation and learning difficulties. True academic success relies on self-empowerment – the aim is to assist students to become disciplined, independent, confident and self-sufficient.

Counselling Services

Because every learner is unique and has different needs, we aim to provide them assistance that is tailored to assist in strengthening their mental health so that they can better face any academic challenges.

We have counsellors on hand to ensure that our learners are nurtured and cared for, providing them with all the emotional support they need to cope, thrive, adjust and navigate their school experience positively.

Learner-oriented services include:

- ◆ Short-term one-on-one counselling
- ◆ Open time with a Counsellor – time slots where counsellors discuss a topic with learners
- ◆ Support-based therapeutic sessions for specific therapy concerns, such as grief counselling

Our team further extends support to our educational teams, individually or in groups, in the form of debriefing spaces and training for expressed needs.

Testimonials



What our clients have to say:

Tania Abbas

I started tutoring with ASA this year and it's been amazing! Mr Shailesh is very thoughtful and an incredible tutor he teaches and explains all the work in detail and is very patient and I always understand my work after a lesson with him and his always encouraged me to be more confident with my work and because of his tutoring my marks have increased alot Very thankful to ASA!!

Lungelo Ntshangase

Tutoring with Academic Success Achievers has been wonderful for these past few months. They have such lovely patient tutors who genuinely care and go beyond to help, even after hours. I am finding myself becoming confident with Maths and Chemistry, and even looking forward to exams. They've been the best and I encourage people to not look any further.

Alana Kriek

Thank you ASA and Bohale our daughter's Math and Physics tutor for grade 11. She started end of last year and every term her marks improved by at least 5-10%. She is a hard worker and Bohale helps her and challenge her to give her best. Thank you again and we can recommend ASA completely!

Fees

Application Fee	R750.00
School Fees	R3 000.00 per month

Fees are inclusive of:

- Digital learning content
- Access to our online campus and all of our digital tools
- Six subjects for IGCSE, four subjects for AS and three subjects for A-Levels
- 4-session monthly package of Private Tuition
- School assessments and examinations – conducted online

Fee Structures

Tuition Fees

Fees for additional private tuition are charged separately as required (outside what is offered above).

Application Fees

A fee of R750.00 is payable when you submit your application form. This fee covers our administrative costs and is non-refundable.

Please refer to our [Fees Handbook](#) for detailed information about this.

External Examination Fees

All examinations are written externally through our approved exam partner, an accredited third-party examination centre. Learners will need to register as private candidates but ASA Academy will support families by providing resources that will guide you through this process. Guardians need to be aware that the examination centre will have specific fees for private candidates. These costs are above the ASA Academy monthly fees.

Please refer to the [Tutors and Exams Fees Handbook](#) for an estimate of the costs. You can also speak to our Admissions Team if you have any other questions.

Contract Types

Fees are payable every month for the full duration the learner is enrolled, including holidays, revision, and internal and external examination months.

Fees are paid in advance and billing occurs on the 20th of each month, due by the 1st of the month.

There are 3 types of Payment Contracts to choose from at ASA Academy. These contracts refer to enrolment and payment terms and are split as follows:

01

Annual

The Annual Contract allows clients to enjoy a 10% discount on their annual tuition by paying the full year's tuition fee at registration.

02

Term Contract

This contract provides flexibility and easy payment terms. Clients enjoy a 5% discount on their annual tuition by paying the full term's fee at the beginning of each term.

03

Month-to-month Contract

The monthly subscription has a 20% levy and has a 3-month waiting period, before a 1-month notice can be given. Thereafter, clients revert to a month-to-month contract, affording an increased level of flexibility with their educational needs.

What You Get



Interactive Live Lessons

Our experienced team of educators present dynamic and engaging content that follows the Pearson Edexcel curriculum.



Recorded lessons with notes

All lessons are recorded with the additional notes made during the session. These are readily available to all students to assist with self-study.



Weekly Graded Assessments

Students are assessed weekly in order to monitor their progress closely to assist with proactive intervention options.



Dedicated Mobile App for Students & Guardians

For convenience, our Learning Platform is available both on your desktop as well as through a mobile app for easy access.



Access to Online Learning Library

We provide an abundance of past papers, additional study material and textbooks on our dedicated online library.



Dedicated Tutors and Learning Facilitators

We provide access to well-trained tutors who are on-hand to assist learners with any additional tuition they require.

Application Process

1

Step 1: Take our Admissions Assessment

This is a quick form that provides us with a short overview on the student and allows you to check whether we fit.

2

Step 2: View our Admissions Contract

Take your time to read our [Terms & Conditions](#) thoroughly and accept them before taking the next step.

3

Step 3: Application Form

Fill in the application form and attach the relevant documents. You will also receive an invoice for the application fee.

4

Step 4: Orientation

Once your application is processed, we'll send you all the documentation you need to start your journey with us.

Documents Required:

- ◆ Parent/Guardian ID Copy
 - ◆ Student ID Copy
 - ◆ Student Last Report
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Do you have everything you need?

If this sounds like just the right path to help you achieve success at any age, then enrol now, if you still need still more clarity, download our [FAQs](#), we've answered the questions we get asked most.

Student Guidance

At ASA Academy, we are eager to assist our learners to make the best choices for their future careers post-graduation. We aim to provide career guidance services to help our learners make the best decisions possible. We help our students nurture their passions to find success in their future endeavours.

Our purpose is to inspire our students to reach their full potential by guiding them through subject selections and exposing them to a variety of career options.

EXPLORE

We encourage and support learners to explore various university degrees and careers.



PREPARE

We provide training and resources to prepare learners for academic and career success.

INFORM

We help our learners with information regarding internships and career opportunities in their chosen field.



SUPPORT

We train our academic staff to encourage experiential learning and expanding their professional prospects.

STUDY SKILLS MASTERCLASS

Tools to Help Students
Achieve Success

Learn skills and acquire the tools and knowledge to ensure cognitive dominance, enhancement and optimization to study.

- 4 Hours Video Lesson
- Access on mobile app
- Lifetime access
- Certificate of completion

**DATES AND TIMES
TO BE CONFIRMED**

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Virtual Clubs

Social interaction has always been a concern for many parents of online-schooled children. At ASA Academy, we provide our students with various opportunities to connect and grow through Virtual Clubs provided by the Pearson Online Academy. Clubs are hosted weekly with socials all-year-round to ensure that students always feel that they are part of a community where they can meet new people and participate in a global community.

THESE ARE A FEW OF THE CLUBS AVAILABLE TO JOIN:



Leadership Club

Students learn about different ways to be a strong leader and are encouraged to apply these new skills in their own communities. Students have the option of completing a series of challenges to earn a Leadership Certificate.



Art Club

This is designed to spark student creativity by exploring two- and three-dimensional art, photography and graphic design through techniques and styles associated with each medium.



Gaming and Tech Club

This allows students who have an affinity for technology and gaming to explore and discuss gaming and technology industry and share their work in LiveLesson sessions.



Tech Specs

RECOMMENDED TECH SPECIFICATIONS

Technical requirements to enable you to have the best online schooling experience:

Devices

Laptops are recommended.
Tablets need to run Android 7.0 & later & iPads need to run iOS 11 or later.

Battery

The smart device you use (Laptop or Tablet) should be able to hold power for 4-6 hours.

Headset

Headset or comfortable earphones (Noise-cancelling are advantageous if possible).

Browser

Please use the latest version of Chrome (no other browser is officially supported). Safari browser should be used for iPads.

Internet

Minimum of 4mb p/s is required (if only one student is online, as higher speeds are required for more than one student).

Usage

Uncapped lines are recommended but not essential – each student will use 4-10 GB a month roughly.

Processor

Preferably i3 (8th Generation) or higher

OS

It is recommended to use the Windows 10 Operating System or iOS 10

RAM

You need 8 GB or more Primary Memory (RAM).

Storage

It is recommended that you have Internal/external drives of 128 GB and up worth of Secondary Storage.

Programs

Microsoft Office package (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) – email (Gmail recommended) – PDF converter (Free).



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