



To enter for this Award, please complete the following:

- (1) Please provide a comprehensive and passionate explanation of your school, building for judges a comprehensive picture of how your school has developed from an idea to the school it is today – one in which the happiness of each, and every, child is centre stage. We are seeking a story that brings to life why the happiness of children matters, what you do to ensure it floods every aspect of school life – and how that translates into the experience and achievements of children at your school. Your explanation should include both embedded and separate high resolution, captioned photographs and may include video. One paragraph or more should provide your formal stated policy on bullying together with how you ensure that the needs of both the bully and bullied child are addressed. One paragraph or more should explain how the teaching of different subjects inter-relate, particularly in the Arts and Sciences, within broader school life to ensure children receive an inspirational, creative, happy, solutions-focused broader whole child education at your school to open up opportunities, and meet the needs of, every child. One paragraph or more should explain how you know whether children are happy at your school. **The greater the level of detail and evidence of commitment to, and achievement for, every child in the area of happiness, and meeting the very different gifts and needs of each child, the easier it will for Judges to evaluate your submission. We are leaving it to you to define how you wow judges in your application, rather than being dogmatic in the information we ask for.** We define achievement relatively, defining it as achievement in the context of each child's individual gifts and potential.
- (2) Please provide 3 case studies of children and their individual journeys in your school, explored through the lens of happiness. Please include photos and video as available. Part of the story for each should have taken place in the period 2021-2023. At least one story should be about a child who, through inspirational teaching and coaching, and the culture of happiness at your school, discovered their "voice" in your school, and for whom without that investment, would have had their gifts undiscovered. What does their happiness look like? Please make clear what we may publish. Please provide one further case study of how you have addressed your belief in the fundamental importance of child happiness and well-being in your school and what you have learned from placing it as a central pillar of education and the defining of what an education at your school means for children.
- (3) Please provide an inspirational quote from the functional head of Wellbeing at your school, that individual who is responsible for ensuring the happiness of each, and every, child in your school. Please provide a photograph and full bio detailing why they have committed their lives to this aspect of education.
- (4) Provide a personal quote and detailed paragraphs from the Principal capturing the fundamental importance of child happiness in your school and what this means in practice to them. Please provide a photograph and full bio.
- (5) As part of the following application, you will strengthen your case considerably by *sending the following EDSTATICA™ survey links to your students, teachers and parents*, asking them to independently provide feedback on your school as part of your entry to the Top Schools Awards.
 - Teacher survey: <https://whichschooladvisor.com/uae/surveys/the-teacher-survey>
 - Parents survey: <https://whichschooladvisor.com/uae/surveys/school-survey>
 - Student survey (Grade 10-12/Year 11-13): <https://whichschooladvisor.com/uae/surveys/thestudent-survey>

The statistical results of these surveys are valued, shared with judges and used in our decision making.

Submissions should be completed and returned to us at SCTSA@schoolscompared.com no later than 15th February 2023. Please head your email with your school name and the name of the Award applied for.

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