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# BAIS BUZZ

## Message from the Director

Dear BAIS Families,

Please remember **the Student Led Conferences** this **Thursday, June 11**. The schedule should have been shared with you, Grades PK-8 will not have regular classes that day. Grades 9-12 will have classes as usual.

Also please remember (as if your kids would let you forget!) that the **Student Council Lock-In** is next **Friday, June 12**. Thanks so much to **Ms. Fatoumatta Jobe** for organizing, and for other staff members who volunteer. More information is inside the Buzz, along with the permission slip.

Remember the **Model United Nations Conference** this Wednesday June 10, at 4:00 PM, in the banquet hall at the Coco Ocean. The topic to be debated will be "Addressing the Human Rights Implications of Mass Surveillance Technologies, Particularly the Right to Privacy." Several ambassadors and other members of the diplomatic community have confirmed that they will attend. We hope to grow this event to include other schools next year. Again, I can't say enough about **Ms. Mary Jobe** and her leadership in providing this opportunity for our students and continuing to elevate our high school's profile in the community.

Please also remember our **End of the Year Ceremony** on the BAIS music patio on Friday, June 19 at 11:30. Promotion certificates will be presented to each student in grades PK-11. Then, at 6:00 PM that evening, we will hold our **Graduation Ceremony** at the Coco Ocean Hotel. Seniors will receive their diplomas, Grade 8 students will be presented with certificates graduating from middle school, Presidential Academic Awards will be awarded in Grades 4-12, and citizenship awards in grades 1-12. Our student chorus will sing the U.S. and Gambian National Anthems. Please mark your calendar!

Finally, check out the **Beach Day** Video, linked on the social media page inside the Buzz.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Robert Harper, Director

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## Upcoming Events

### Wed., June 10

Model United Nations  
Conference...Coco Ocean  
Banquet Hall, 4:00 PM

### Thurs., June 11

Student Led Conferences

### Fri., June 12

Director's Pizza Palooza.  
10:30  
STUCO Lock-In, 5:00 PM

### Fri., June 19

End of Year Ceremony PK-12  
BAIS Music Patio, 11:00

Graduation Ceremony  
Coco Ocean, 6:00 PM





**BAIS MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE 2026**

# BAIS MUN

**Empowering Voices. Inspiring Change. Shaping Tomorrow.**

UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL  
(UNHRC)

**“Addressing the Human Rights Implications of Mass Surveillance Technologies, with Particular Emphasis on the Right to Privacy.”**



**WEDNESDAY**  
**JUNE 10, 2026**

**TIME**  
**4:00 PM**

**VENUE**  
**COCO OCEAN**  
**RESORT & SPA**



High school student delegates will represent countries around the world in a simulated UN Human Rights Council session.



Debate. Negotiate. Collaborate.  
Make a difference.



Prepared. Informed.  
Diplomatic. Empowered.



Shaping a better world  
through dialogue and understanding.



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## BAIS Model United Nations Conference 2026

Join us on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 4:00 PM at the beautiful Coco Ocean Resort & Spa for the BAIS Model UN Conference!



This year's committee is the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), where our 13 student delegates, representing countries from around the world, will debate the important global issue:

“Addressing the Human Rights Implications of Mass Surveillance Technologies, Particularly the Right to Privacy.”

Come support our delegates as they engage in diplomacy, collaboration, and critical thinking while working together to draft and pass a resolution on this timely and significant topic.

We look forward to seeing the BAIS community there!

## Student Council Lock-In 2026

### BAIS Student Lock-In: A Night to Remember!

The BAIS Student Lock-In is here! On the evening of Friday, June 12th, students from Kindergarten through High School are invited to enjoy a fun-filled night of games, food, movies, and (for Grades 2–12) a supervised overnight stay on campus!

This special event is all about building friendships, making memories, and celebrating the end of the school year, all in a safe and structured environment.

#### Here's what you need to know:

- **Permission slips** will be sent home on **today, June 5th** and must be returned by **Tuesday, June 9th**.
- The evening kicks off at **5:00 PM** with outdoor games, followed by pizza and juice at **6:30 PM**, and movie time at **7:00 PM**.
- Students in **K–Grade 1** will enjoy the evening activities and head home at **9:00 PM** (after the end of the movie).
- Students in **Grades 2–12** will stay the night on campus, with boys and girls sleeping in separate supervised spaces.
- **Pickup is at 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 13th**, after breakfast and morning playtime.

A full packing checklist will be included with the permission slips to help families prepare.

Safety is our top priority. We'll have at least 10 staff members volunteering throughout the night. The teachers that will be sleeping over and supervising the girls are Ms. Sainab, Ms. Fatou and Ms. Nora. Mr. Valentine, Mr. Isaac and Mr. Palmer will be responsible for the boys. Mr. Robert will be on-site overnight for emergencies and support, including the BAIS guards as always.

We know it's a big step for some families, especially for our younger students, so rest assured that your children will be in caring, capable hands for a night full of joy, laughter, and community spirit.

#### Student Lock-In Packing Checklist

Essentials:

- Sleeping bag or blanket
- Pillow
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Refillable water bottle

- Pajamas or comfortable sleepwear
- Change of clothes for the next day
- Socks and underwear
- Personal hygiene items (e.g. deodorant, face wash, etc.)
- Snacks
- Slippers / flip flops / crocs

**Optional Items:**

- 1 Stuffed animal
- Phones (MS and up only) and tablets
- Books, card games, or board games
- Eye mask or earplugs (for light/sound-sensitive sleepers)

**Do NOT Bring:**

- Large electronics (laptops, gaming consoles)
- Phones for students grade 4 / 5 and under
- Expensive or valuable items
- Energy drinks or caffeinated sodas
- Anything that could be disruptive or inappropriate

## LOCK IN INFORMATION & PERMISSION FORM

Dear Parent/Guardian, please read and keep the information section (top part) of this letter and complete and return the lower permission section (bottom part) to the organizing teacher by Tuesday, 9th June 2026 so that your child can participate.

Date: 5:00 PM Friday, 12th June 2026 to 9:00 AM Saturday, 13th June 2026

Overnight Chaperones: Mr. Robert Harper, Ms. Sainab, Ms. Nora, Ms Fatou, Mr. Valentine Mr. Palmer, Mr. Issac

Email Addresses: [director@baisgambia.org](mailto:director@baisgambia.org), [snjie@baisgambia.org](mailto:snjie@baisgambia.org), [njohnson@baisgambia.org](mailto:njohnson@baisgambia.org), [fjobe@baisgambia.org](mailto:fjobe@baisgambia.org), [vwilliams@baisgambia.org](mailto:vwilliams@baisgambia.org), [wpalmer@baisgambia.org](mailto:wpalmer@baisgambia.org), [adminassistant@baisgambia.org](mailto:adminassistant@baisgambia.org)

Other Chaperones (not staying overnight): Ms. Hala, Mr. Badjie, Ms. Elin, Ms. Kiran, Ms. Amal

Return this portion to Ms. Fatou by the deadline below.

PERMISSION FORM...BAIS lock in on DATE: Friday, 12th June 2026

FORM DEADLINE :Tuesday, 9th June 2026 SUBMIT FORM TO: Ms. Fatou

Acknowledgement:

\_\_\_\_\_ I give permission for my child to attend the lock in. I understand that pick up time is 9:00am Saturday, 12th June 2026. (Grade 2-12 only)

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not give permission for my child to attend the lock in, but they will be attending the movie night. I understand that pick up time is 9:00 PM Friday, 12th June 2026

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not give my child permission to attend the movie night or lock in.

I understand that my child is representing BAIS and our family and have reminded him/her to behave in a respectful and appreciative manner throughout the lock in. All school rules and policies apply.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Whom should we call in case of emergency? \_\_\_\_\_

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

iReady Director's  
**Pizza Palooza**  
**& Ice Cream Party**

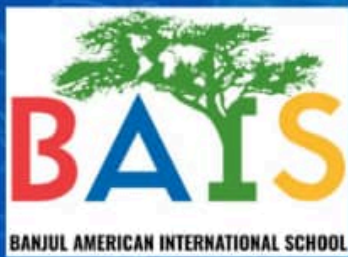
Students who have passed  
& completed 100 iReady  
lessons are invited!!

**Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**@ 10:30**



Meet @ The Music Patio

Invitations will be given to  
eligible students on  
Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>



# Summer Camp 2026

The Ultimate Summer Experience



Lots of:

- Indoor Activities
- Outdoor & Water Games
- Art & Creative Activities
- Interactive Games
- DIYs & Swimming

Ages 4-15

Fee D3000 WEEKLY



22<sup>nd</sup> June - 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
9am - 12pm

What to bring? A snack and a water bottle.

For More Information Please Contact:



Mr. Isaac - 6939206  
Ms. Leah - 7744477  
Mr. Valentine - 7898872



Register Today

## The BAIS SUMMER CAMP is back again! 🎉

Give your kids a summer to remember! ☀️

The BAIS Summer Camp offers the perfect blend of learning 📖, creativity 🎨, fun 🎮, and friendship 👫 in a safe and engaging environment.

From exciting activities and games 🏃🌐 to arts and crafts ✂️, team building 🤝, and educational fun 🧠🌟 — every day is designed to help children grow, explore, and shine! 🌈

Afford your child this unique opportunity to:

- 🌟 Make beautiful memories
- 💪 Build confidence
- ❤️ Forge friendships
- 👫 Enjoy an unforgettable summer experience!

⚡ Slots are filling up quickly!

👉 Hurry, Register now!!!

**Register here!!!**

<https://forms.gle/zhd4R3pBXWpGguS69>

## Upcoming Important Events

June 10	Model United Nations...4:00 PM...Coco Ocean
June 11	Student Led Parent Conferences
June 12-13	Student Council Lock-In
June 18	Moving Up Day/Field Day
June 19	11:30...End of Year Ceremony, BAIS Music Patio 6:00...Graduation Ceremony, Coco Ocean

## Re-enrollment Form 2026-27

Please complete the re-enrollment form on the next page and return to the office as soon as possible. It is important that we get this information as soon as possible so that we can more accurately plan for next year. Hard copies of the form will also go home next week.



### Enrollment Intentions Form 2026-2027

To: **BAIS Parents**

From: Robert Harper, Director

In order to plan with accuracy for class combinations, staffing and tuition for the 2026-2027 academic year, please note your intentions below, sign and return the form to the BAIS Office as soon as possible.

**Due Date: March 13, 2026.**

Enrollment Plans:

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren) at BAIS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Tick all that apply.**

\_\_\_\_\_ We will continue residence in Banjul and **all our child(ren) will continue at BAIS in 2026-27.**

\_\_\_\_\_ We will continue residence in Banjul but one or more one child(ren) will **not** continue at BAIS in **2026-27** because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ An additional child / children will join BAIS from our family in **2026-27** in grade \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Our family/child will leave Banjul/BAIS at the end of **2025-26.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have a replacement at my organization. S/he is bringing \_\_\_\_\_ children to Banjul.

\_\_\_\_\_ We are currently unsure about whether we will be in Banjul next year. We should know our definite plan by this date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Other situation:

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

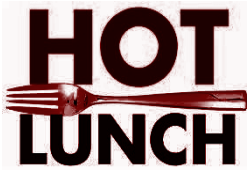
**-- Return this form to the BAIS Office – Thank you –**

**Social Media Update**  
**Follow BAIS on Facebook AND Instagram!**

**<https://www.facebook.com/BAISGAMBIA>**

**<https://www.instagram.com/baisgambia/>**

**[Click here to see a video of Beach Day 2026.](#)**



# June 2026

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT CONTACT Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. Choose Portion Size:

- Small - 200 Dalasi
- Large - 250 Dalasi

### 2. Choose how you will order:

- **Tick here to order all the lunches for this month.**  
Full Period : **10 lunches** (Total cost: **Small = D2,000 OR Large = D2,500**)
- **Tick here to order lunches by the day.**

#### By the day:

1. Tick the days desired in the chart below
2. Multiply x D 200 (small) or D250 (large).
3. Write in here: **Total # lunches: \_\_\_\_\_ x Cost per portion \_\_\_\_\_ = D**

### 3. Get money and form to BAIS OFFICE

June 2026	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
June 1 - 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Spaghetti Bolognese &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Crispy Chicken W/ Fries &amp; Veggies &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆ <b>Faculty PD Noon Dismissal</b> ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Fish in Batter With Roasted Potatoes &amp; Veggies &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>
June 8 - 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Chicken Tagine with Rice &amp; Vegetables &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Meatballs With Creamy Tomato Sauce W/ Pasta &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Grilled Fish With Roasted Potatoes &amp; Veggies &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>	☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆ Student-Led Conference ☆☆☆☆☆☆☆☆
June 15 - 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Creamy Mushroom Chicken Penne Pasta &amp; Fruit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Shepherd's Pie &amp; Fruit Salad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Fish Benachin Vegetables with Bissap Sauce &amp; Cake</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tick to order</b> Margarita Pizza Mixed Salad &amp; Ice Cream</li> </ul> ☺ <b>Expect a Special Treat from the Chef</b> ☺

