Becoming a Frisby School

Frisby Schools is a satellite schools programme offered by Frisby College for independent schools and colleges teaching English worldwide. It provides institutes with a complete package for training teachers, operating an effective English Program (EP) and recognition as a test-centre for Frisby International Qualifications.

Schools and Colleges are approved a license for operating as a Frisby College International School (FCIS), demonstrating enhanced delivery of English as a Foreign Language (EFL) within its country’s own national curriculum needs.

What is a Frisby College International School (FCIS)?

FCISs are schools, faculties or departments of English established within the school or college’s own organizational structure. Frisby College works closely with each FCIS, supporting them in improving EFL teaching, learning and assessment using a tailored approach.

FCISs are not required to adopt a full foreign curriculum where the majority of subjects need to be taught fully in English, but instead complement any subjects where English is the desired language.

The Frisby Schools Programme has four elements:

1. Adopt EP structure linked to international standards
2. Teacher training and ongoing support for EP Staff
3. Use of Frisby English courses and materials for EP teaching
4. Delivery of Frisby English Testing and Certificates

How to establish a Frisby School in Thailand?

The setup and licensing procedure to become a FCIS in Thailand has been designed with flexibility and affordability in mind. Our team has 10 years’ experience working together with schools in Thailand’s changing education market.

Licenses are available to both government and private schools offering secondary education.

Being a service specifically for EFL needs, the programme has been very successful in improving English performance with students whilst ensuring Thai institutional freedom.

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Thank you for your interested in becoming a Frisby School

When you join us you will be part of an international network of schools working to improve EFL standards in their respective country. There are five steps to becoming a Frisby School. It is a simple process and our licensing team will support you all the way. If your application is successful, it will take around 8 weeks to become a licensed FCIS in Thailand.

Before you begin, please read more about our **requirements** and our **fees and operation costs**.

Step 1. Express your interest

A member of our schools licensing team will contact you

Step 2. Complete a Schools Application Form

Your application will be provisionally vetted by Frisby College’s board of directors

Step 3. We will carry out a feasibility visit

Our schools licensing team will visit your institution to conduct a feasibility assessment. The purpose of the visit is to review your EP needs and the level of support needed over the start-up period.

Step 4. A formal offer to license your institute will be made

Frisby College will issue you a formal offer and license agreement to sign. If you accept the offer your FCIS license will be approved and sent within 30 days of the agreement confirmation.

**Registration Page**

Quality Assurance & Standards

Every school has to have or be working towards basic requirements to be able to deliver an effective English Programme. Your institution will need to meet our requirements in five key areas before you can become a Frisby School.

We will discuss and evaluate each aspect with you during the registration process. We will also periodically review your school against these five key areas during future license renewals.

The institute’s mission and educational values

We require that:

The institute has or is prepared to adopt a ‘transparency policy’ that supports authentic teaching, learning and assessment with its students, based on common agreed values for improving English language education in Thailand.

The institute’s internal culture advocates a student-centred approach to learning, whereby students’ individual needs are assessed and monitored.

The institute has or is prepared to adopt an ‘equality policy’ that addresses the inclusion of students with special needs learning and the provisions needed to support them.

Institutional management and leadership

We require that:

The institute has sufficient senior staff in place to operate the FCIS as a school, faculty or department of English within its own organizational structure.

Senior staff demonstrate a level of willingness and understanding of the needs or goals for improving English learning at the institution.

Teaching provisions and commitment

We require that:

The institute has a defined academic schedule for teaching English as a Foreign Language. School timetables should allow for weekly English classes on a consistent bases.

The institute has English competent staff available to teach the EP on a consistent bases. EP staff will complete our training and have ongoing support.

Learning Environment

We require that:

The institute to the best of its abilities delivers a safe and conducive learning environment for all of its students.

Legal Standing

We require that:

The institute is a legally licensed school or college with the relevant ministry department of education in Thailand.

The institute has authorization and/or freedom to independently source foreign educational services and examinations.

**Fees and Operation Costs**

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It is important applying institutes clearly understand our fees and operation costs before becoming a Frisby School.

Before you can offer Frisby International Qualifications you must go through our application process. This includes a feasibility visit, where our schools licensing team will visit your institute to assess EP needs and help you plan a successful start-up. A school application fee applies. This fee will be fully refunded against the total cost of the license fee when the school or college confirms acceptance of the formal offer.

The information below gives an idea of the fees and operation costs institutes can expect. For further details about fees please contact us.

Fees

School Application Fee

The School Application Fee is due at the time of submitting the application. This fee covers the administration costs for reviewing your application with Frisby College’s Board of Directors and making arrangements for our schools licensing team to conduct their feasibility visit at your institution.

Feasibility visits are typically completed in one day and all travel and accommodation costs for our team are included in the application fee. School Application Fees range between 30,000-50,000 Baht depending on location in Thailand.

Licensing Fee

FCIS licenses are offered on a five year commitment period with each institute. There is a license fee due at the beginning of each five year period which maintains your status as a Frisby School and registered test-centre for Frisby International Qualifications.

Your license also permits you to print unlimited copies of course materials during the license period using our digital masters. This is a significant cost saving we promote with the Frisby Schools programme compared to purchasing materials annually from international publishers.

The total cost of the license fee is not fixed and varies for each institute. License fees are calculated based on the following considerations:

The institute’s readiness for meeting our quality assurance standards

Planning already in place and needed for effective operation of the EP long-term

The level of support and time commitments needed to train EP staff during the start-up period

The institute’s ratio and hiring patterns of English competent staff

The institute’s spending commitment on annual exam registrations

School Licensing Fees range between 1,000,000-1,900,000 Baht for the each five year period.

Operation Costs

A maim aim of the Frisby Schools programme is to offer an affordable, transparent investment model that includes all critical components within the start-up cost and very little cost thereafter.

In our experience international programmes that separate professional development services into optional components suffer due to limited budget once the EP is underway. This is why all staff training and certification needed for effective EP delivery with the Frisby Schools programme is included in the license fee.

In addition to the institute’s licensing fee the following operation costs need to be considered:

Exam Registration Fee

There is a registration fee due for each student taking an exam for CEFR Certificates. This fee is due at the start of the agreed learning period and covers the administration cost of adding the student’s credentials to the Frisby College International Learners Database (e-profile) and issuing of CEFR Certificates in Thailand. Last updated March 2020 the exam registration fee for CEFR Certificates in Thailand is 1,350 Baht.

Course Material Printing Costs

The cost of printing course materials locally is not regulated by Frisby College and is determined by each institute. All our digital masters are available in colour format but can be printed in mono-tone to further reduce costs. In our experience EP operation costs are considerably reduced when sourcing printing locally and can save the institute significant budget long-term.

For further understanding about how the Frisby Schools programme can save institutes budget view our Thailand case study.

**Express your interest page**

If you are interested in becoming a Frisby School (FCIS) complete our online form.

We will require the following information from you:

your contact details

details about the type of institute you represent

whether you are ready to start the application process now or are preparing for so in the future

We aim to contact you within two working days of submitting your expression of interest.

You can download our Frisby Schools information guide here

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**Schools Application Form page**

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