

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

CAN TEACHERS SAVE ANYTHING FROM THEIR SALARY?

Yes most definitely. While this is always dependent on the lifestyle a person lives, many teachers reportedly save over half of their salary.

DOES ASK RECRUIT FAMILIES?

Yes, we actively recruit singles, couples and families.

WHAT SUPPORT IS THERE FOR TEACHER'S DEPENDENTS?

Each individual teacher contract is allowed one dependent whether a non-teaching spouse or a child. ASK will pay for residency costs, health insurance, annual return airfares and ASK tuition costs if applicable.

IS KUWAIT SAFE?

While Kuwait has been constantly in the press in recent years, it remains an extremely safe, peaceful and a US friendly country. The ongoing conflict in Iraq and Palestine/Israel has no real impact on Kuwait nor should it in the future.

WHAT IS IT LIKE FOR WOMEN IN KUWAIT?

While Kuwait is an Islamic country, it has a very Western feel about it. Women do not need to wear conservative Islamic dress and providing they do not dress provocatively they are free to wear what they wish.



CAN WOMEN DRIVE IN KUWAIT?

Yes, most women including Kuwaitis drive.

WHAT IS THE ROAD SYSTEM LIKE?

Roads and freeways are highly developed. Traffic can be very busy and is usually fast.

DO YOU NEED A CAR IN KUWAIT?

We find a majority of teachers do buy cars although the school provides a bus to and from school.

DOES THE SCHOOL SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT?

Yes, we feel really strongly about this and have an annual professional development allowance of approx. \$350 US. The school also supports many other professional development initiatives and activities.

WHAT IS THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM LIKE?

There is a well organized and effective bus service that runs all over the city. Taxis are readily available and reasonably priced.

WHAT IS THE PRICE OF GAS/PETROL?

About 80 cents a US gallon

DO YOU HAVE TO SHARE AN APARTMENT?

No, singles have their own apartment.

CAN YOU PAINT YOUR APARTMENT?

Yes you can. Your apartment will be white or neutral on arrival and can be decorated as you wish with certain stipulations.

WHAT IS THE AVERAGE STAY OF OVERSEAS HIRES AT ASK?

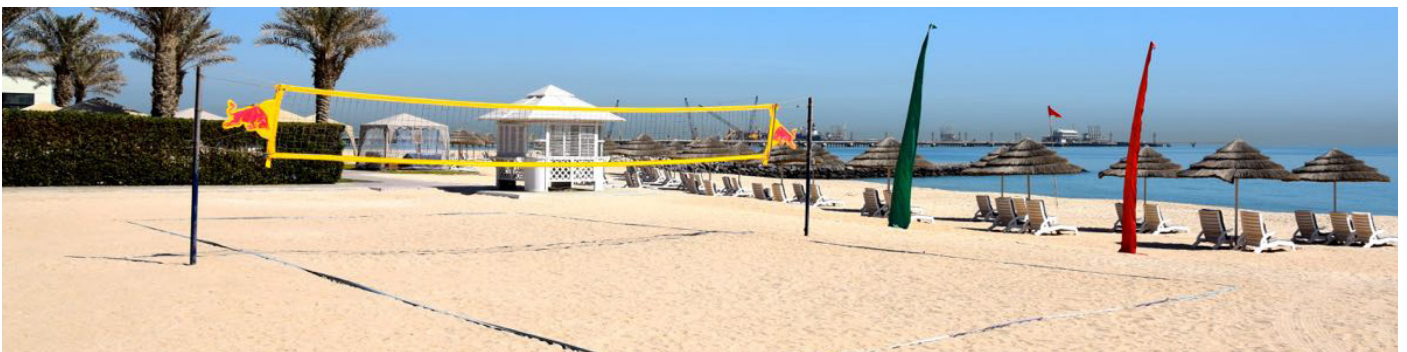
Approximately 4.18 years

CAN YOU PURCHASE WESTERN PRODUCTS?

Yes, there are many products available in electronics, food, and entertainment.

WHAT IS THERE TO DO FOR FUN?

There are a variety of activities. These would include running clubs, reading groups, golf, basketball, and going to the movies and shopping. For students the school provides a vast number of after school activities.



IS IT DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN A VISA FOR VISITOR?

Generally no. Kuwait now allows residents of several countries, including the US, to purchase a Visa when they arrive at the airport. Otherwise, there is a procedure to go through but, normally there is no problem and visitors are welcomed.

ASK APPLICATION PROCESS

Openings for faculty positions at ASK are posted on our website (www.ask.edu.kw), on The International Educator website (www.tieonline.com), and on the data basis for Search Associates, International Schools Services (ISS), University of Northern Iowa (UNI) Overseas Recruiting Fair, Queen's University Teachers' Overseas Recruitment Fair (TORF), and the Global Recruitment Collaborative (GRC). Once you see an opening in your field of teaching, please send your information and questions of inquiry to the Superintendent of ASK using the contact information listed below:

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ASK ATTENDS TEACHER RECRUITMENT JOB FAIRS IN NORTH AMERICAN AND ASIA. YOU CAN USUALLY FIND US AT THE FOLLOWING FAIRS:

- Global Recruitment Collaborative Job Fair, Dubai, United Arab Emirates (November)
- International Schools Services (ISS) Job Fair, Atlanta, Georgia (December)
- Search Associates Job Fair, Toronto, Ontario (December)
- International Schools Services (ISS) Job Fair, Bangkok, Thailand (January)
- Search Associates Job Fair, Bangkok, Thailand (January)
- Search Associates Job Fair, Cambridge, Massachusetts (January)
- Teachers' Overseas Recruiting Fair, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario (February)
- University of Northern Iowa Overseas Recruiting Fair, Waterloo, Iowa (February)
- Search Associates Job Fair, San Francisco, California (February)
- International Schools Services (ISS) Job Fair, San Francisco, California (February)

If you have the desire to further develop your teaching craft in a high achieving, supportive, and dynamic school environment then the American School of Kuwait is the place for you. We look forward to hearing from you.

