



# UDINE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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## ITALY

## House System at UIS International School

The Houses at the UIS International School are:



**Lynx ( Blue ), Hawks ( Yellow ) and Bears( Red )**

Students are allocated to a House on admission, ideally subject to restrictions such as being in the same House as siblings and an awareness of the balance of numbers and gender per year level. Staff are allocated to a House once they start at UIS by the House Coordinator, subject to restrictions such as what area of the school they work in, being in the same House as their children and also with an awareness of the balance of numbers.

### House Leaders

Each House has a House Leader from amongst the Grade 11 students . The House Leader is there primarily to support the House Captains (and House Vice-Captains) from Grade 8 in ensuring

that:

- House spirit is fostered
- the House is well represented in competitions
- the House always engages in fair play

The House Leaders also work as necessary with the House Coordinator in the overall planning of events.

### **House Coordinator**

The House Coordinator, Mr Robuschi, has overall responsibility for the management of the House system at the school. The House Coordinator will work with the House Leaders to ensure that events and activities are planned in advance and that the students are aware of what is happening. The House Coordinator will also work with the House Leaders to assist with the resourcing and logistics of events and activities as required.

The House Coordinator will also work with the House Captains and House Vice-Captains to ensure that the events and activities are well represented by each House.

### **House Captain and Vice-Captain**

A House Captain and a House Vice-Captain are elected from Grade 8.

A House Captain (and House Vice-Captain) is expected to sign a contract to commit to being an ambassador for their House. In doing so, they are expected to:

- work closely with the House Leader to ensure that the students of the House have every opportunity to participate in competitions or events
- encourage House spirit
- lead the students of the House by encouraging excellence, collaboration and fair play.
- appoint tasks to willing individuals
- maintain the House noticeboard if required
- attend House meetings as required by the House Coordinator or House Leader
- ensure that teams or individuals representing their House in competitions or events are prepared and compete as required
- seek support from the House Leader if necessary

**Note:** Should a House Captain (or House Vice-Captain) leave the school, or fail to meet the expectations of the House Leader, then a replacement House Captain (or House Vice-Captain) is appointed by the House Leader.

## House Tokens/Points

House Tokens or Points are issued by staff to students for a variety of reasons – usually for recognition of a Learner Profile trait, but could be specifically for excellence, positive mindset and going above and beyond expectations especially regarding effort and kindness. Each teacher will be able to award House points.

### Points Levels

As each competition cycles through each year the trophy or plaque moves to the cabinet of the victorious House.

**Minor: Level 1** – competitions lasting one recess/lesson.

- **1st Place** – 5 points, **2nd Place** – 3 points, **3rd Place** – 1 point

**Major: Level 2** – Trophy Events of a greater time and energy commitment than one period  
Eg. Competitions or projects lasting multiple weeks etc.

- **1st Place** – 20 points, **2nd Place** – 10 points, **3rd Place** – 10 points

**Mega: Level 3** – Major Events involving the whole School

- **1st Place** – 50 points, **2nd Place** – 30 points, **3rd Place** – 15 points

At the end of the academic year the **House Cup** is awarded to the House with the most total points over the entire year.

The Term Shields and the House Cup remain atop the House trophy cabinets until being re-awarded the following academic year as a glaring reminder to the other Houses of who the reigning champions are!