《国际学校乱象横生，金钱并不能确保学术上的成功！》

导读:近期有媒体报道了中国国际学校的混乱局面，缺少收费标准、教育水平参差不齐，还有些甚至只是私人机构经营的教育培训机构。

International schools in China are posing new challenges for parents who spend huge sums but often find themselves unprepared for a range of issues, Legal Daily reported.

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In top-tier cities like Beijing and Shanghai, many parents send their children to international schools to allow them early preparation for studying abroad. Admission has become more competitive amid China’s rising number of high income earners and some schools now assess parental participation in community activities before admitting a child.

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Yingzi, a Beijing girl, quit public school mainly because she couldn’t bear the heavy workload, which usually needed three hours to finish every night, as well as the school’s lack of tolerance for individuality.

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But recent report by the think tank Center for China and Globalization and Beijing Royal School said international schools in the country lack standards on tuition, vary greatly in educational quality, while school ownership is sometimes unclear.

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International schools in the country come in different forms and many follow the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum or that of the country they represent.

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As a new approach, some public high schools have also opened international classes to offer a quick transition abroad. They have become popular among parents, though native English speakers are in the minority as Chinese students comprise 90 percent of classes.

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Many international schools are just educational training institutions operated by some private organizations, according report.

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In Shanghai, Zheng Yonghua said children in international schools are either from rich or powerful families so her daughter could develop a high-level network from the time she is young.

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Zheng also said it’s much easier for Chinese students to get admitted by a foreign university of similar quality to top domestic schools like Fudan University and Shanghai Jiaotong University, though the cost is 20 times higher.

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The report said half of families whose children study in international schools have an annual household income of at least 500,000 yuan. But money does not guarantee a child’s academic success in the new environment.

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