## THE BRIEF INTRODUCTION OF OUR SCHOOL:

Izmir Bay is the most important trade port in Turkey. A qualified workforce was needed due to the fact that our city is very active in terms of commercial activities. Izmir Dış Ticaret Commerce High School was established by the name of "Language and Commerce High School" in Sait Pasha Mansion which was located in Yalı, Köprü District on 24th February 1924.

Our school which was establihed as a boarding&day school and started education with 22 students in its first year, the number of the students increased to 120 in the second year. A four year program was implemented by adding an advanced class program. According to this program French, English, German, Turkish, Literature, Geography, History, Calligraphy, Music, Physical Education, Painting, Science, Commercial Chemistry, Commercial Law, Commercial Information, Commercial Communication, Commercial Goods, Type-writing, Financial Algebra, Financial Shipments and History of Trade were taught at school. The Final year students had to study half day at school and half day in a practical training at business, in order to receiving a diploma students had to deserve a Certificate of Achievement from business.

As a result of rich interest and rapid incease in the number of students our school started to become constricted, it was moved to the building in 1935 which was used as a French School (French Pastor School) by the French Sakre-Blind Organization that was closer to the city center and where the French education activities ended during war years.

9th grades have 20 hours of English lessons bu increasing of their skills with the help of writing, reading, grammar, listening and speaking.

Chineese is also the second language when the students are in the 11th grade.

## **School Building:**

The construction of the school building which has been using in the same historical building since 1935, dates back to 1854. French merchants had an important place in İzmir's economy towards the end of the 19h century. The growing French population opened associations with the characteristics of a church organizations. One of these association is 'LesPeres Lazaristes'. That association established a French Commercial School in the building of Pastor School in İzmir in 1854. It continued its education in a foreign language under the name of the French Greek Commercial High School in 1909. The school finished its activities in 1923 after the establishment of the Republic. The building which remained inactive until 1935 was purchased by the young Turkish republic from the French and brought into the Turkish National Education.

The school has taken various names until this time

İzmir Foreign Trade Vocational High School has three main departments, Accounting&Finance, Office Management&Secretarial Skills and Marketing&Retail with students between ages 15-19. Our school is a project school of Turkey Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges this year.

## **OUR VISION**

By including all stakeholders in the process, to raise individuals who can carry themselves to the national and international labor market, to question produce ideas, to be able to capable of team work, to develop themselves and to set career goals.

## **OUR MISSION**

In the light of our deep-rooted past, with the participation of the stakeholders, to be a preferred and realible educational institution with innovative approches and practises.