Historical Background

Our institution began its services in the academic year of 1991–1992 with four preparatory classes. At the beginning of the academic year of 1992–1993, according to the letter dated 31.08.1992 and numbered 300/221870 issued by the Istanbul Provincial Directorate of National Education, it was deemed appropriate for our school to continue its education and training activities in its building on Fatih Vatan Street. The initial name of our school was Fatih Vatan Anatolian High School. Until 2005, it operated as the only Anatolian high school in the Fatih district.

In 2005, with the decision numbered 2 dated 05.04.2005 by the Provincial Directorate of National Education Naming Commission, our school, which accepted the name Sâmiha Ayverdi Anatolian High School, has since provided valuable services to Turkish culture, civilization, and faith life, guiding young generations and perpetuating the name of the intellectual writer Sâmiha Ayverdi. This selected lady, who lived in Fatih and whose tomb is in the Merkez Efendi cemetery in Zeytinburnu, expressed her ideas on Sufism, historical consciousness, civilization construction, and Istanbul, advocating for the lost values of our ancient civilization heritage and the establishment of a new synthesis.

Between 1991 and 1998, our founding principal was Hasan DOĞAN, followed by Melek KUYUCU from 1998 to 2006, Zeki Baki UZUN from 2006 to 2017, and Mehmet KURTAY from 2017 to 2022. As of 2022, Emine Seval YARDIM has taken over as the school principal.

Having served on Vatan Street in Fatih for twenty-six years from 1991 to 2017, our institution will continue its service in its new building in Zeytinburnu starting from the academic year of 2017–2018, according to the approval dated 25.07.2017 and numbered 11270521 by the Provincial Directorate of National Education.

Since its inception in 1991, our school has provided valuable guidance to young generations and contributed significantly to Turkish culture, civilization, and faith life. It has embraced a vision of academic success and cultural accumulation, and it continues to work towards imparting this vision to its students through various activities.

Today, Sâmiha Ayverdi Anatolian High School, which sends students to Turkey's prestigious universities, continues to offer a rich educational experience to its students through student exchange programs, projects, and social activities.