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SANDY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME

Admissions Policy

The International Baccalaureate Programme provides highly motivated, college-bound, Fayette County high schools students with a rigorous, interdisciplinary, cross-cultural curriculum that is recognized by the most selective colleges and universities worldwide.

Students with high ability and high performance are natural candidates. However, capable and highly driven, persistent students who have not previously earned a high GPA can be successful since the program is intended to attract many types of students. A student who is lacking in any of the academic criteria, is a special needs and/or ESOL student, is not automatically disqualified from consideration.

It takes two years to earn an IB Diploma, thus students will start taking IB classes their Junior (11th grade) year.

All interested students must complete their application during their Sophomore (10th grade) year.

The admissions process:

- 1. Students and parents should attend one of the mandatory meetings scheduled in the Fall of the student's Sophomore year.
- 2. Students must fill out and submit the application form online.
- 3. The application form with all required documents must be submitted by the due date.
- 4. By May, students will receive a letter informing them of their application status.
- 5. Upon admission to the IB Diploma Program at Sandy Creek High School, students who reside outside of Sandy Creek zoning area must apply for Special Voluntary Transfer with the School Operations Department at the Center of Innovation in Fayetteville. This application form will be provided to you by the IB Coordinator. Note that anyone outside of the SCHS zoning area must provide their own transportation.

The admissions requirements:

- A completed application form (fillable online)
- A writing sample prompts provided in the application form
- A good school attendance record
- An excellent discipline record
- Current transcript (for transfer students)



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Matrix of courses recommended in preparation for the program. Not having some of those courses is not an automatic disqualifier.

THIS IS ONLY A SAMPLE.

Sandy Creek High School Recommended Progression of Courses for IB Diploma Programme Candidates

9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade
Pre-AP English 1	Pre-AP English 2	IB DP English Language & Literature HL 1/AP English Language	IB DP English Language & Literature HL 2
Spanish/German/French 2 OR Spanish/German/French 1	Spanish/German/French 3 OR Spanish/German/French 2	IB DP Spanish/German/French SL 1 OR IB Spanish/German/French SL 1	IB DP Spanish/German/French SL 2 OR IB Spanish/German/French SL 2
Algebra 1	Geometry	Algebra 2/IB DP Applications & Interpretations SL 1	IB DP Applications & Interpretations SL 2
OR Accelerated Algebra 1/Geometry	OR Accelerated Geometry/Algebra 2	OR	OR
OR Geometry (if High School Algebra 1 is taken in 8th grade)	OR Algebra 2	IB DP Analysis & Approaches SL/HL 1	IB DP Analysis & Approaches SL/HL 2/AP Calculus AB/BC
AP Human Geography	AP World History	IB DP History of the Americas HL 1/AP US History	IB DP History of the Americas HL 2
Gifted Biology	Gifted Chemistry (if High School Physical Science is taken in 8th grade)	IB DP Biology HL 1	IB DP Biology HL 2
Art	Art	IB DP Visual Arts SL/HL1	IB DP Visual Arts SL/HL 2
OR Band/Chorus/Orchestra	OR Band/Chorus/Orchestra	OR IB DP Music SL 1 (0-period/own transportation needed) with Band/Chorus/Orchestra	OR IB DP Music SL 2 (0-period/own transportation needed) with Band/Chorus/Orchestra
OR Elective	OR Elective	OR Physical Science/Physics (if High School Physical Science has not been taken yet)	OR IB DP Environmental Systems & Societies SL
Health/PE	Physical Science/Physics (if High School Physical Science is <u>not</u> taken in 8th grade)	Government (Semester 1) Theory of Knowledge (Semester 2)	Theory of Knowledge (Semester 1) Economics (Semester 2)
		Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) experiences and projects Extended Essay	

^{*}Physical Science/Physics might have to be taken during the summer between 10th and 11th grades or 11th and 12th grades.



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THE DECISION PROCESS

Students are considered based on **all** material they hand in for the application process. Applicants will receive a letter informing them of their application status.

Raising Juniors applying for the Diploma Programme will be given priority. The number of applicants accepted for the first year of the program will be determined by the space available.

All decisions made by the Admissions Committee are final.
