



## SM East High School IB Program Admissions Policy

The Shawnee Mission School District and Shawnee Mission East High School has an open enrollment process for admission to the IB Diploma Program. Any student that is in good academic standing has the opportunity to enroll in IB certificate courses or join the full IB Diploma Program. There are a few suggestions that are given to potential students to ensure their success in the program. Those suggestions are as follows:

- The decision to join the program should be made by the student and with the advice of the faculty.
- Students should have experienced some honors courses during 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade. All honors courses help prepare students for the rigor of the IB program.
- Students should fulfill the graduation requirements that the school has in fine arts, health/physical education, and financial literacy prior to starting the IB full diploma program – if possible.
- Enrollment in foreign language prior to starting the IB diploma program is preferred, but abinitio language testing is available.
- To enroll in the IB Math Applications and Interpretations SL course, students must have completed Algebra 2.
- To enroll in the IB Math Analysis and Approaches SL course sequence, students must have completed Honors Algebra 2.
- To enroll in the IB Math Analysis and Approaches HL course sequence, students must have completed Honors Pre-Calculus.
- The IB Diploma program is a full two year commitment and students must be willing to commit both their senior and junior years-this applies to both Certificate and Diploma.