



Diploma Programme Admissions & Expectations

Choose a Program Option:

Full Diploma

IB Associate

IB Certificate

Personal Information

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme offers an accelerated learning experience that develops intellectual skills and emphasizes academic achievement through a rigorous course of study. The diploma programme curriculum is designed to stimulate the intellectual curiosity of young people and teach them to relate to the realities of a global society.

Complete this enrollment form and make sure both student and parent/guardian sign and date the enrollment agreement. Return the completed application to the guidance office.

Student Information

Last	First	Middle Initial
Date of Birth (<i>Spell out month</i>)	Current Grade	Tacoma Student ID

Address

Number/Street	Apt. #
City	State Zip

Personal Contact Information

Email Address
Phone 1 Phone 2

Parent/Guardian Information

Last	First	Telephone
Last	First	Telephone

IB Diploma Programme Options (11th and 12th grade)

There are three levels of participation in the IB Diploma Programme: the **Full Diploma Programme**, the **Associate Program** and **Certificate Program**. We encourage students to consider seriously the Full Diploma option; it has the greatest potential reward in terms of university entrance and college success. The **Full Diploma Programme** taken also creates an interdisciplinary and holistic learning experience that is unparalleled in secondary education.

Select **one** option to pursue:

- Full IB Diploma Programme:** This two-year international curriculum is designed for the highly motivated student as a pre-university course of study that leads to externally assessed, end-of-course exams. During the two years of the program, diploma candidates must sit for six exams (to include 3 High Level (HL) and 3 Standard Level (SL) exams) and successfully complete the three Diploma Program core components of: *Theory of Knowledge (TOK)*, *Extended Essay*, and *Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)*. Student schedules will be crafted in an individual meeting with the Diploma Program Coordinator. Upon graduation, students will receive an IB Sash, IB Cord and IB Diploma (or Certificates for each course).

To meet the varying needs of students we have several possible schedules that can be mapped out before a student begins year 1 of the program. Undertaking one of these optional schedules depends in large on a student's interest and their prior experience in the specialty subject. Please look at the sample schedules on the following page to get an idea of the types of options available to students.

- IB Associate Program:** Students who want a serious challenge but doesn't want the additional rigor and responsibility of the full program may take *four or more* individual diploma programme courses, each culminating in a series of end-of-course exams. *Note: Courses are two years in length*, unless stated otherwise. Upon graduation, students will receive an IB Cord and individual IB Certificates for each IB course.
- IB Certificate Program:** Individual diploma programme courses may be taken in one or more subjects, each culminating in a series of end-of-course exams. *Note: Courses are two years in length*, unless stated otherwise. Upon graduation, students will receive IB Certificates for each course.

It is important that student and parent(s)/guardian(s) understand the expectations and implications of undertaking IB courses. If you have any questions about the diploma programme, contact TJ Purdy, instructional coach/coordinator, at tpurdy@tacoma.k12.wa.us or by phone at (253) 571-7459.

Sample Schedules

Schedule 1: Standard Path

Year 1	Year 2
IB English HL	IB English HL
IB World Language SL*	IB World Language SL *
IB History HL	IB History HL
IB Science HL	IB Science HL
IB Math SL	IB Math SL
IB Psychology SL	Elective
IB TOK	IB TOK

One possible standard IB schedule for a student not 'specializing' in any particular area.

Schedule 2: The Scientist

Year 1	Year 2
IB English HL	IB English HL
IB World Language SL*	IB World Language SL *
IB History HL	IB History HL
IB Science HL	IB Science HL
IB Science SL	IB Science SL
IB Math SL	Elective
IB TOK	IB TOK

Must test HL in one Science and either HL or SL in the second (Chemistry, Biology, Physics).

Schedule 3: The Artist

Year 1	Year 2
IB English HL	IB English HL
IB World Language SL*	IB World Language SL *
IB History HL	IB History HL
IB Science SL	IB Science SL
IB Math SL	IB Math SL
IB Visual Arts HL	IB Visual Arts HL
IB TOK	IB TOK

Encouraged to test HL in Visual Arts and SL in the chosen science.

Schedule 4: The Linguist

Year 1	Year 2
IB English HL	IB English HL
IB Lang B1 HL*	IB Lang B1 HL*
IB Lang B2 SL*	IB Lang B2 SL*
IB History HL	IB History HL
IB Science HL/SL	IB Science HL/SL
IB Math SL	IB Math SL
IB TOK	IB TOK

Student may test HL or SL in Lang B1 and SL in Language B2.

Schedule 5: The Musician

Year 1	Year 2
IB English HL	IB English HL
IB World Language SL*	IB World Language SL *
IB History HL	IB History HL
IB Science SL	IB Science SL
IB Math SL	IB Math SL
IB Music HL	IB Music HL
IB TOK	IB TOK

Encouraged to test HL in Music and SL in the chosen science.

Schedule 6: The Mathematician

Year 1	Year 2
IB English HL	IB English HL
IB World Language SL*	IB World Language SL *
IB History HL	IB History HL
IB Science HL/SL	IB Science HL/SL
IB Math HL	IB Math HL
IB Psychology SL	Elective or Release
IB TOK	IB TOK

May test SL in the chosen science if prearranged with faculty.

Foss MYP Program (9th and 10th grade)

AP courses are encouraged for potential IB Full Diploma, Associate and Certificate students to ensure that they enter the IB Program with adequate preparation. The following courses should be taken in preparation for the IB Programme:

9 th Grade	10 th Grade
English	AP English
World Language	World Language
AP Geography or AP World History	AP World History or AP European History
Biology and/or Chemistry	Chemistry and/or Physics or IB Science
Algebra 2 or Geometry	Algebra 2 or IB Pre Calculus

In addition, depending on a student's focus and direction a student should also take one of the following (Art, Music, Technology):

9 th Grade	10 th Grade
Band, Choir, or Orchestra	Band, Choir, or Orchestra
Art, Ceramics, Glass	Art, Ceramics, Glass
Exploring Computer Science	IT Fundamentals

Expectations & Agreement for all IB Students

Participation in the IB Diploma Programme, whether as a full, associate or certificate candidate, constitutes a commitment by a student to work as sincerely and diligently as possible, with the goal of attaining the IB Diploma or completing IB Course exams.

Candidates must remain in *good standing* to remain in the diploma programme. Students who violate school policies or fail courses will be required to meet with school administration, faculty and their parent/guardians to discuss supports needed for a student to remain in *good standing*.

Candidates **must** complete all requirements within the two-year period of the program or within an extended period of study when a candidate retakes one or more subjects. Candidates with special assessment needs will have to provide medical documentation so the instructional coach/coordinator can evaluate whether suitable arrangements, for both teaching and assessment, can be made for the student.

Parent/Student Commitment: *We have read the above information and understand that enrollment in this program constitutes our commitment to these principles and policies.*

Student Name (please print) _____

Student Signature/Date _____

Guardian Name (please print) _____

Guardian Signature/Date _____