

# B. T. Washington High School IB World School



# **The IB Diploma Program at Booker T. Washington High School**

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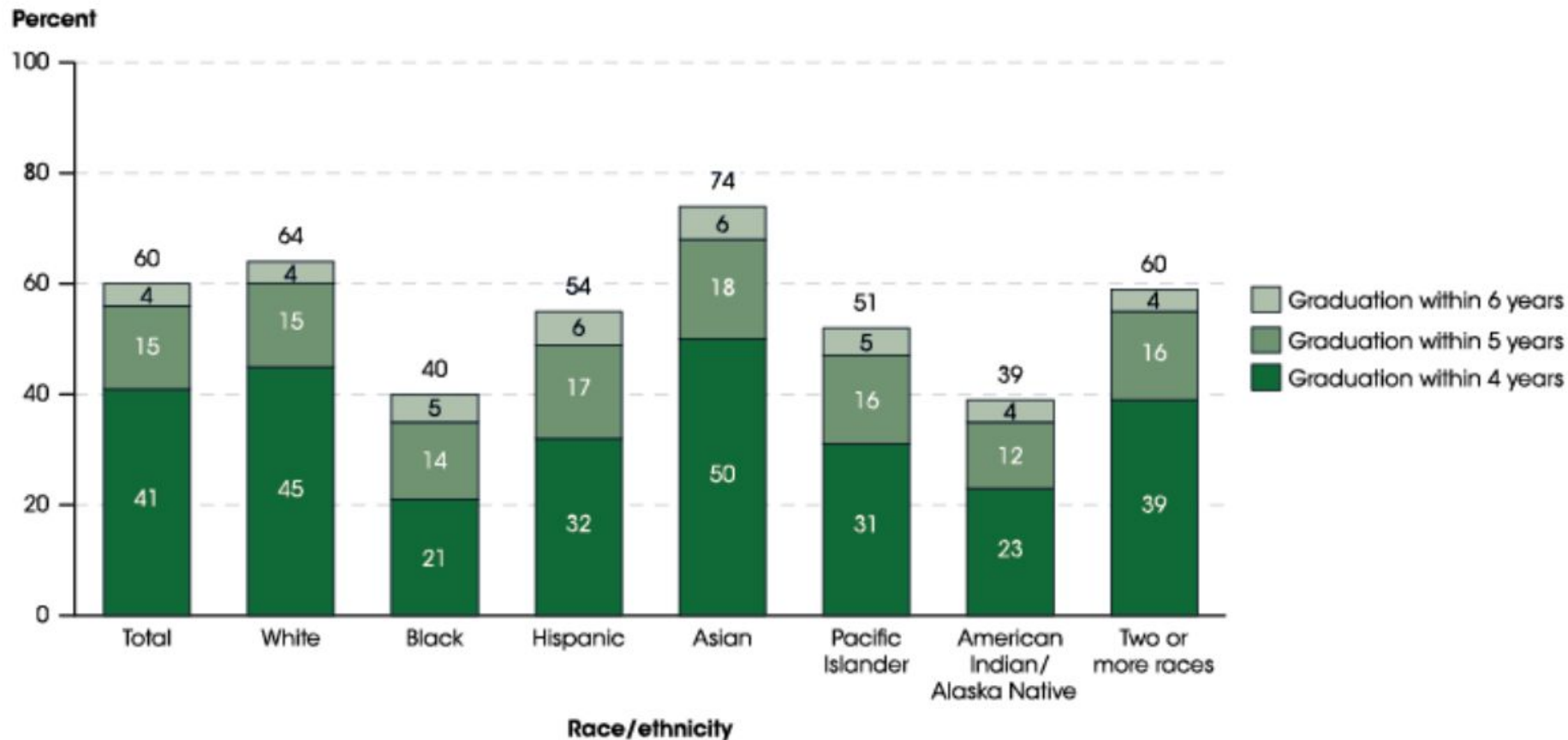
# HS Graduate $\neq$ College Prepared

- All OK HS Class of 2019: 27% of graduates had to take remedial coursework upon enrolling in OK public universities.
- BTW Class of '19 (178 students): 28% had to take at least one remedial course.
- State graduation requirements are poorly designed and trap students in a "preparation gap".

# Graduating College in 4 Years??

- 41% of first-time full-time college students earn a bachelor's degree in four years
- 59% earn a bachelor's degree in six years
- It cost about \$35,830/year to attend a private 4-year college and \$10,230/year to attend a public 4-year college.

**Figure 23.1. Graduation rates from first institution attended for first-time, full-time bachelor's degree-seeking students at 4-year postsecondary institutions, by race/ethnicity and time to completion: Cohort entry year 2010**





# Best Preparation for College?

- #1 predictor of college success is rigor of high school coursework.
- IB Diploma Program = “most rigorous course of study”
- All juniors and seniors at BTW are eligible to participate in IB - may pursue full IB Diploma or take single IB classes.

# What is the IB Diploma?

- Utilizes international standards
- Offers academic breadth and depth
- Encourages critical thinking
- Creates strong writers and independent learners

# Are there fees??

- \$122 per exam X 6 exams = \$732
- FRL = \$20 per exam
- Paid at time of registration (October)
- Financial assistance is available upon request.



# IB Diploma Requirements

- IB Core: Theory of Knowledge, CAS, and Extended Essay
- 6 Subjects: 3 HL/3 SL or 4 HL/2 SL

# Theory of Knowledge

- Two-year course (offered 7<sup>th</sup> or 0 hour)
- Consider what it means to know something
- Recognize the biases inherent in each discipline
- Relate subjects to personal knowledge

# Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)

- Electronically document activities over 18 months
  - Share talents and energy
  - Develop awareness and concern for others
  - Learn to work together

# Extended Essay (EE)

Independent research:

- Due in senior year
- Select a subject area
- Develop a research question
- Present an extended argument, supported by research
- 4000 words maximum

# The 6 Subjects

Group 1: English

Group 2: World Language

Group 3: Social Sciences

Group 4: Experimental Sciences

Group 5: Mathematics

Group 6: IB Fine Arts or Extra Group III/IV

# Which subjects will be SL and which will be HL? You decide!

HL Subject 1:	English HL
HL Subject 2:	
HL Subject 3:	
SL Subject 1:	
SL Subject 2:	
SL Subject 3 or HL Subject 4:	



# Group 1: English

- 9th: English I Advanced
- 10th: English II Advanced
- 11th: English HL1
- 12th: English HL2

## Group II: World Lang.

- Must reach 4<sup>th</sup> year (SLII) of language.
- Cannot take SL exam prior to Jr. year
- SL exam = 4-5 years
- HL exam = 6 years (French and Spanish only  
- literature)

# Group III: Individuals/Societies

- 9<sup>th</sup> : OK History/Government
- 10<sup>th</sup>: AP U.S. History (recommended)
- 11th/12th: Select SL or HL

SL: 1-year course

Psychology

World History

Economics

Soc. & Cult. Anth.

World Religions

HL: 2-year course

Psychology

World History (Europe)

# Group IV: Experimental Science

- 9<sup>th</sup>: Biology I Advanced
- 10<sup>th</sup>: Chemistry I Advanced (recommended)
- 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>: Select SL or HL

## 1-year course

Sports, Exercise,  
& Health Sciences  
SL

## 2-year courses

Biology HL\*  
Chemistry HL\*  
Physics HL\*

\*can take SL or HL exam after 2<sup>nd</sup> year  
of course

# Group V: Mathematics

- 9th: Algebra I
- 10th: Geometry
- 11th: Algebra II
- 12th: Math SL
- 9<sup>th</sup>: Algebra II Adv.
- 10<sup>th</sup>: PreCalculus
- 11<sup>th</sup>: Math SL
- 12<sup>th</sup>: Math HL

## New IB Math Courses:

- IB Mathematics Applications and Interpretations SL
- IB Mathematics Applications and Interpretations HL

# Group VI: IB Fine Arts/Elective

- Film HL (both require 2 years)
- Visual Arts\* HL (both require 2 years)

\* Prior experience/talent required

Or you may take a 2<sup>nd</sup> IB science, social studies, or world language.



# Step 2: Build 2-year schedule

	Group I English	Group II World Lang.	Group III Social Science	Group IV Science	Group V Math	Group VI Arts or additional Group III or IV	TOK	Any other courses rqd.
Rqd.		(SLI - 3rd yr and SLII - 4th yr)	Economics SL, World Religions SL, Psychology SL, World History SL, or Social & Cultural Anthropology	Sports, Ex. and Health Sci. SL	Algebra II (rqd, but not IB)	SL or HL: (Film SL and Film HL)	Rqd.	(i.e. Orchestra, choir, speech, athletics)
		(SLII - 4th yr)	HL: (Psychology SL and Pscyhology HL)	HL: (Biology HLI and Biology HLII)	Mathematics SL	SL or HL: (Studio Art SL and Port Art HL)		
		(AP Lang - 5th yr)	HL: (World History SL and Hist. of Europe HL)	HL: (Chemistry SL and Chemistry HL)	Mathematics HL	Additional Group III		
		(HL - 6th yr)		HL: (AP Physics 1 and Physics HL)		Additional Group IV		
Junior	English IBHL-I						TOK	
Senior	English IBHL-II						TOK	

# Assessment

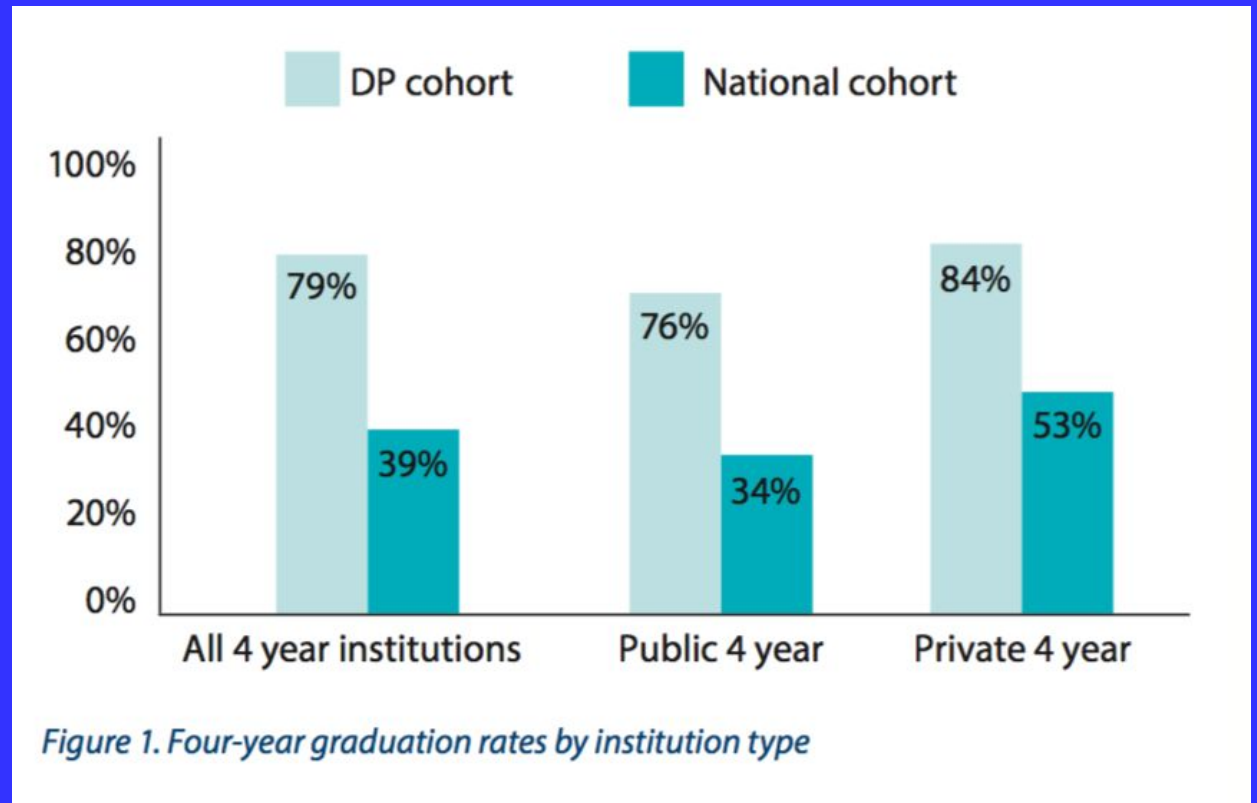
- Internal Assessments - all subjects
- External Papers - Extended Essay, TOK Essay
- External Exams - all subjects
- Students maintain *control* over many aspects of assessment

# What does the research say about the IB impact on college preparation?





**2015 study: the four-year graduation rates at all four-year institutions were higher than the national average (Bergeron, 2015).**



Bergeron, L. 2015. Diploma Programme students' enrollment and outcomes at US postsecondary institutions 2008–2014. Bethesda, MD, USA. International Baccalaureate Organization.

# 2014 Univ. of Oregon Study: College Readiness

- IB graduates were significantly more likely to persist and to complete college than their non-IB counterparts.
- IB graduates were better able to adjust to university coursework and demonstrated stronger critical thinking, time management and research skills.





# How does participation in the IB impact college admission?





- The average acceptance rate of IB students into university/college is 22% higher than the average acceptance rate of the total population.
- The acceptance rate of IB students into Ivy League institutions is between 3% and 13% higher compared to the total population acceptance rate.

# IB Credit Policies

## Typical

- HL courses only
- No special recognition for whole diploma
- Admission reps not familiar with IB

## Exemplary

- Credit for HL and SL
- Recognition of whole diploma
- Aggressive recruiting of diploma candidates

# Credit: General and Specific

- University of Tulsa: 28 points on IB Diploma = 30 credit hours
- University of Texas: “4” or better on all exams = 24 credit hours
- University of Oklahoma: “4” or better on HL exams = subject specific credit

# Ready to Accept the Challenge?

Schedule a meeting w/  
Ms. Lazdins to discuss  
2-year plan by Feb. 18th.

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