CDNIS Student Achieves Perfect Score in 2023 IB Diploma Examinations

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Canadian International School of Hong Kong is very pleased to announce phenomenal IB results and university acceptances for members of the Class of 2023. Our 100 strong cohort have achieved an excellent average Diploma score of 37 points, seven points higher than the world average. Not only are our results significantly higher than the 2022 world average of 32 points, they place CDNIS once again among the top international schools in the world. We are proud to say this is the 10th consecutive year a CDNIS student has achieved the perfect IB score, with 31 students in total achieving the score over the past 10 years.

- Four students achieved the maximum 45 for the IB Diploma
- Two students scored 44 points out of the maximum of 45 points
- Seven students scored 43 points
- The average diploma score was 37
- 26 students, or 26% of the cohort achieved 40 points or higher
- 10 students received the Bilingual Diploma
- The pass rate for the Diploma was 100%

Four notable individual achievements came from Vincent Yang, Cheryl Lui, Melvin Fung and Emily Ng who achieved the maximum score of 45. Achieving a score of 7 in all six major subjects in addition to securing an A grade in both the Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge is extremely difficult, making the award of 45 a truly exceptional achievement. Over 173,800 students from more than 150 countries took the IB Diploma last year.

Upon receiving the news that he had achieved a perfect score, Vincent's initial reaction was, "Hard work pays off!"

When asked how he remained motivated during his 2-year IBDP journey, Vincent said, "Study calendars worked the best. I focused on planning out every hour of my day to ensure utmost efficiency in my studies: this ultimately enabled me to make the most out of the day while simultaneously completing the goals I set for myself."

Vincent joined CDNIS in Grade 7 and will go on to study Business at The University of Hong Kong.

When asked how they tackled setbacks and stayed motivated, they all said, "You are not alone, CDNIS teachers and parents are our most valuable resources! Good time management always helps us to stay on track and a well-planned timetable can always help us to stay motivated during our IBDP journey!"

Head of School Dr. Jane Camblin congratulated the Class of 2023, saying, "We are immensely proud of our students' achievements, which reflect their dedication, resilience, and commitment to academic excellence. The Class of 2023 has once again demonstrated the exceptional quality of CDNIS students."

CDNIS graduates not only receive the IB Diploma but also the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), making them amongst very few students globally to graduate with two distinct secondary school diplomas.



Upper School Principal Dr. David Butler said, "We take great pride in the achievements of the Class of 2023. This cohort was challenged with one-third more assessments than

students during the pandemic era and achieved this success within the IB's prepandemic grade boundaries. Despite spending most of their high school years enduring external distractions to their learning, these students have proven to be curious, resilient, ethical and friendly. We are confident that they will continue to excel and make a positive impact in the world. The IB Diploma is the global gold standard of education and enables our students to proceed to the world's best universities."

Members of the Class of 2023 have accepted offers to study at the world's top universities including Columbia University, Imperial College London, Oxford University, The University of British Columbia, The University of Hong Kong, University College London, University of California, Berkeley, and University of Toronto, and have been offered more than HK\$18million in scholarships to study at these institutions.

CDNIS is a private, independent school of over 1,800 students representing 43 nationalities. CDNIS is one of only eight IB continuum schools in Hong Kong offering three IB programmes from Early Years to Grade 12. An IB World School, CDNIS is a school united by the joy of learning, excellence in achievement and development of character. We inspire academic and personal growth in our students by encouraging inquiry, stimulating creativity and innovation, embracing cross-cultural and global perspectives, and fostering meaningful participation and service.

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