## International Community School

Founded in 1997

## Tonight's Panelists

- Jacob Hendrickson, Principal
- Dr. Mike O'Donnell, Associate Principal
- Paul Plank, Humanities Department Chair
- Kristin Trace, PTSA Co-President/HS Parent
- Sanjeevini Mittal, PTSA VP Community & Facilities/MS Parent
- Lucien Yoong, ASB President/Grade 12
- Maxx Uypeckuat, Senator/Grade 8

# Agenda

- Mission & Core Beliefs
- Unique Features
- Achievements
- Typical MS Schedules
- HS Courses
- Integrated Block
- Associated Student Body
- PTSA
- Questions to Consider



International Community School cultivates integrity, curiosity, complex reasoning, problem solving, and global awareness in every student.

## Our Mission

1. Students are best prepared for the future when they engage in a shared intellectual experience that includes deep, integrated study in our six core subjects (arts, humanities, international studies, mathematics, sciences, and Spanish).

## **Five Core Beliefs**

- 2. A rigorous interdisciplinary curriculum results in analytical thinkers who can consider both local and global issues from multiple perspectives.
- 3. Long-term relationships within the school community nurture a safe and effective educational experience.

# **Five Core Beliefs**

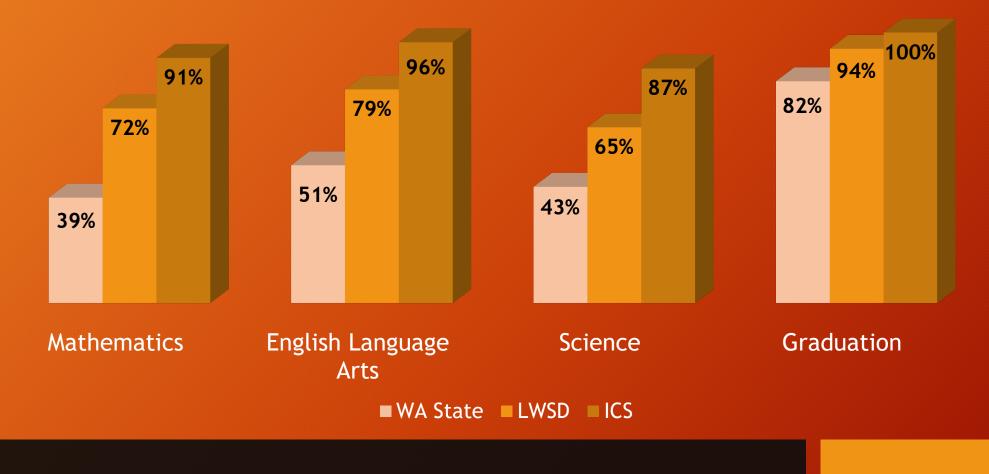
- 4. Student success requires a partnership among educators, families and community.
- 5. Cultivating an attitude of personal civic engagement and community service is essential to constructive local, national, and global citizenship.

# **Five Core Beliefs**

# What makes ICS unique?

- Seven-Year Program
- MS & HS 7-Period Day
- Integrated Block
- Four Years of Spanish
- All-School Camp
- Focus Week





# Achievements

# Typical MS Schedules

### Grade Six

- Intro to Art
- Fitness
- Intro to Humanities
- Intro to Intl. Studies
- Mathematics
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science
- Study Skills

### Grade Seven

- Art 1
- Health
- Humanities 1
- Intl. Studies 1
- Mathematics
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science
- Spanish 1

### Grade Eight

- Art 2
- Humanities 2
- Intl. Studies 2
- Leadership
- Mathematics
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science
- Spanish 2

# High School Courses

#### Art

Art 3 Honors Art 4 Honors Commercial Art and Design Graphic Production Honors Studio Art Honors AP 2D Art and Design AP Drawing

#### Humanities

Humanities 3 Honors Humanities 4 Honors Analytical and Critical Reading Honors Creative Writing Film Analysis AP Language and Composition or Humanities 5 Honors AP Literature and Composition or Humanities 6 Honors

#### **International Studies**

International Studies 3 Honors International Studies 4 Honors Civics AP United States History or International Studies 5 Honors AP Comparative Government or International Studies 6 Honors

#### **Mathematics**

Algebra 1 Geometry Honors Advanced Algebra Honors Math Analysis Honors AP Statistics AP Calculus AB

#### Science

Health 1 Biology Honors Chemistry Honors Physics Honors AP Biology AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1

#### World Language

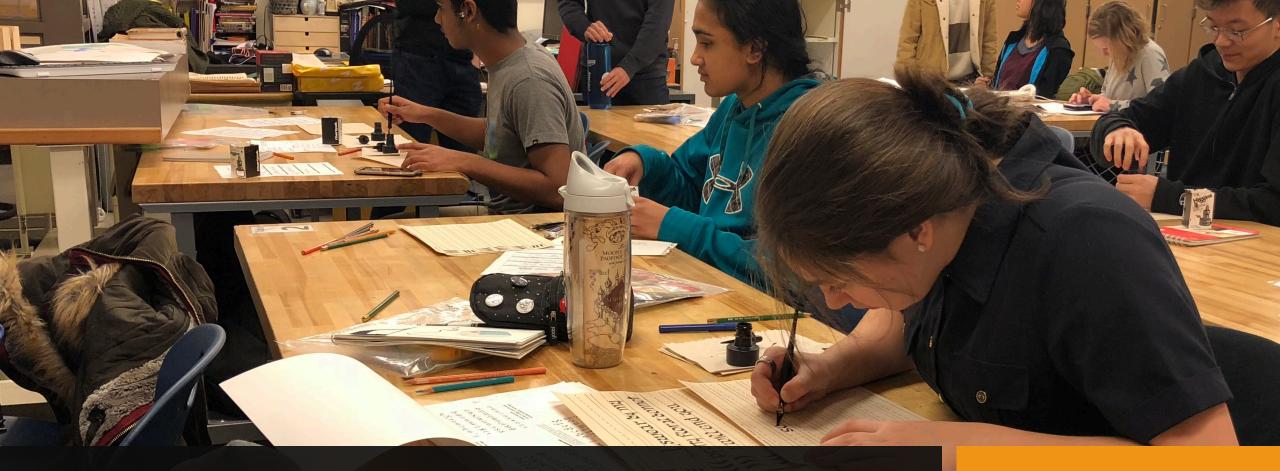
Spanish 1 Spanish 2 Spanish 3 Spanish 4

#### **Music**

Chorus Concert Band Jazz Ensemble Music Appreciation\* Symphony Orchestra

#### **Other Electives**

Philosophy AP Research AP Seminar



# The Integrated Block

Art, International Studies, Humanities

# The Block in Action

#### Example from Grade 9:

#### **International Studies**

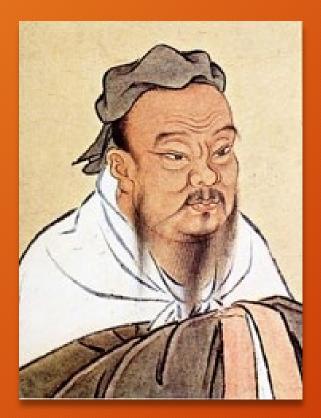
- Athenian Politics
- Economic Functions of Trade
  Humanities
- The Odyssey and Oedipus Rex
- Mythology
- Greek Philosophy

#### Art

- Greek Architecture
- Narrative Pottery
- Human Figures



### What Makes ICS Humanities Unique?



- Intensive grammar (Power Writing Curriculum) in Middle School
- Connections to previous works and concepts (each year is NOT taught in isolation)
- More reading and writing than typical middle or high school

# Associated Student Body

- Associated Student Body
- Anime Club
- Author's Society
- Code Club
- Drama
- Future Business Leaders of America
- Green Team
- GSA
- Health Occupations Student Association
- Key Club
- Mock Trial

- Model United Nations
- National Arts Honor Society
- National Honor Society
- Newspaper Club
- Phoenix News
- Red Cross
- Science National Honor Society
- STAMP
- Tech Club
- Science National Honor Society
- Yearbook

# ICS PTSA

#### Supporting ICS

- Time, Talent and Treasure!
- Small School Community
- Everyone adds something

#### **Parent Participation**

- Volunteering
- One-time yearly donation request
- Stay involved: social events
- Stay informed: weekly newsletter, monthly parent meetings



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# Questions to Consider



- Is your student committed to learning Spanish?
- Is your student interested in studying art through Grade 10?
- If your student is an athlete, will she be okay traveling to her home school?
- Are you able to accommodate transportation?
- Focus week will likely involve travel, is that something your family can support?
- Are you interested in being part of an active parent community?

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**Questions**?