



**CHARLOTTE**  
**COUNTRY DAY**  
**SCHOOL**

**IB Open House 2024**





## Resources to learn about IB

- IB page on BucsNet
  - Tonight's slides will be posted here
- Make an appointment with me
- Talk to IB faculty and IB students

### Quick Links

[Athletics \(Summer\)](#)

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## Tonight's Agenda

- Program overview
- Value of IB
- Scheduling
- Assessment
- IB admissions
- Q&A breakout sessions



## An overview of International Baccalaureate

- Two-year program during junior and senior year- more than just the classes you take
- Key aspects: strong academics, personal growth, global mindedness, and community
- Opportunity to earn IB diploma (in addition to Country Day diploma)
- Like liberal arts college for high school



## **The value of an IB education**

- **Student-directed learning**
- **Balance of process and product**
- **International curriculum**
- **Fantastic college prep & well-respected by colleges**
- **IB students and parents love it!**

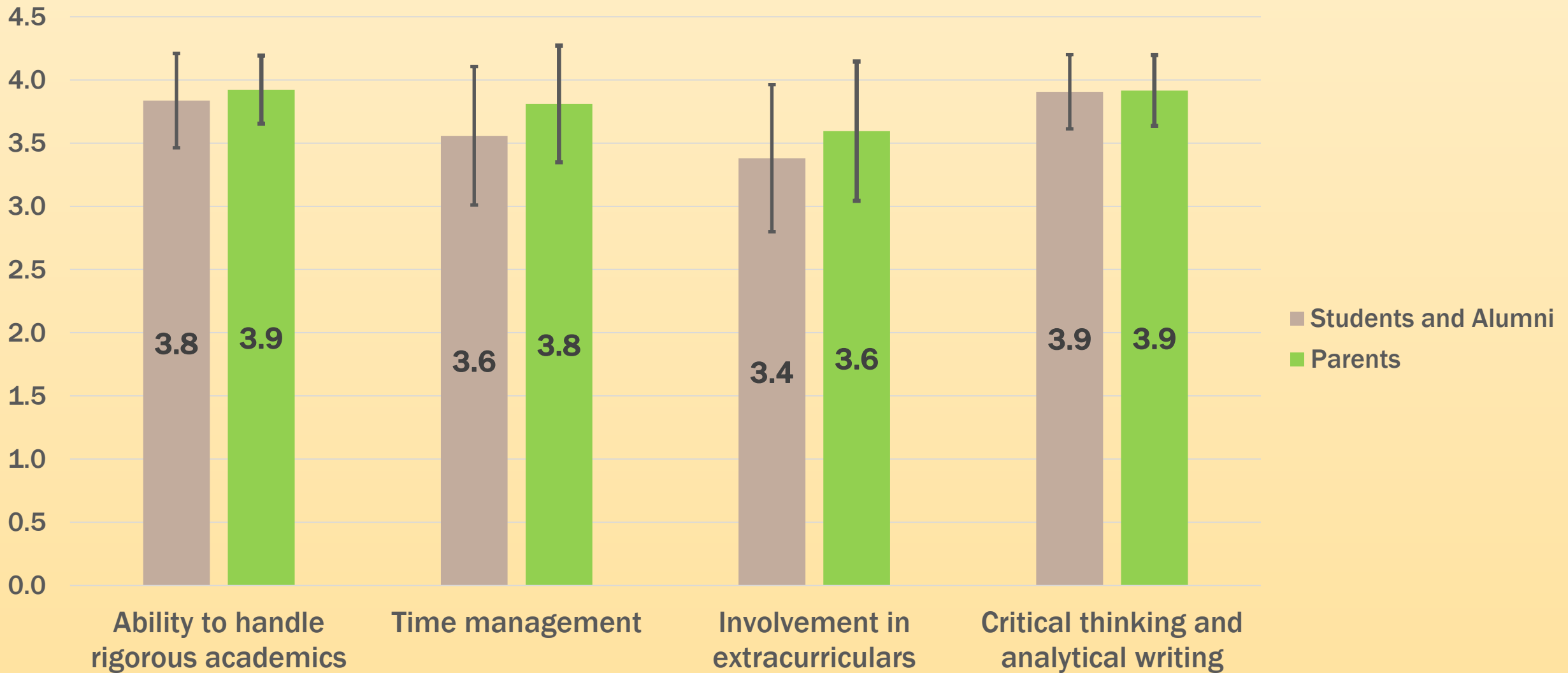


## **Recent success of Country Day's IB Program**

- **Country Day IB diploma pass rate averages 95% over last 6 years**
  - **IB classes of 2018, 2020, and 2022 had 100% of students earn the IB diploma**
- **Great college matriculations**
- **From 2017-2023, IB students were awarded over \$12.4 million in scholarships**
- **2 IB alumni published in science journals as undergraduates**
- **Multiple Division I and Division III student athletes**
- **Theatre state champions (multiple years)**

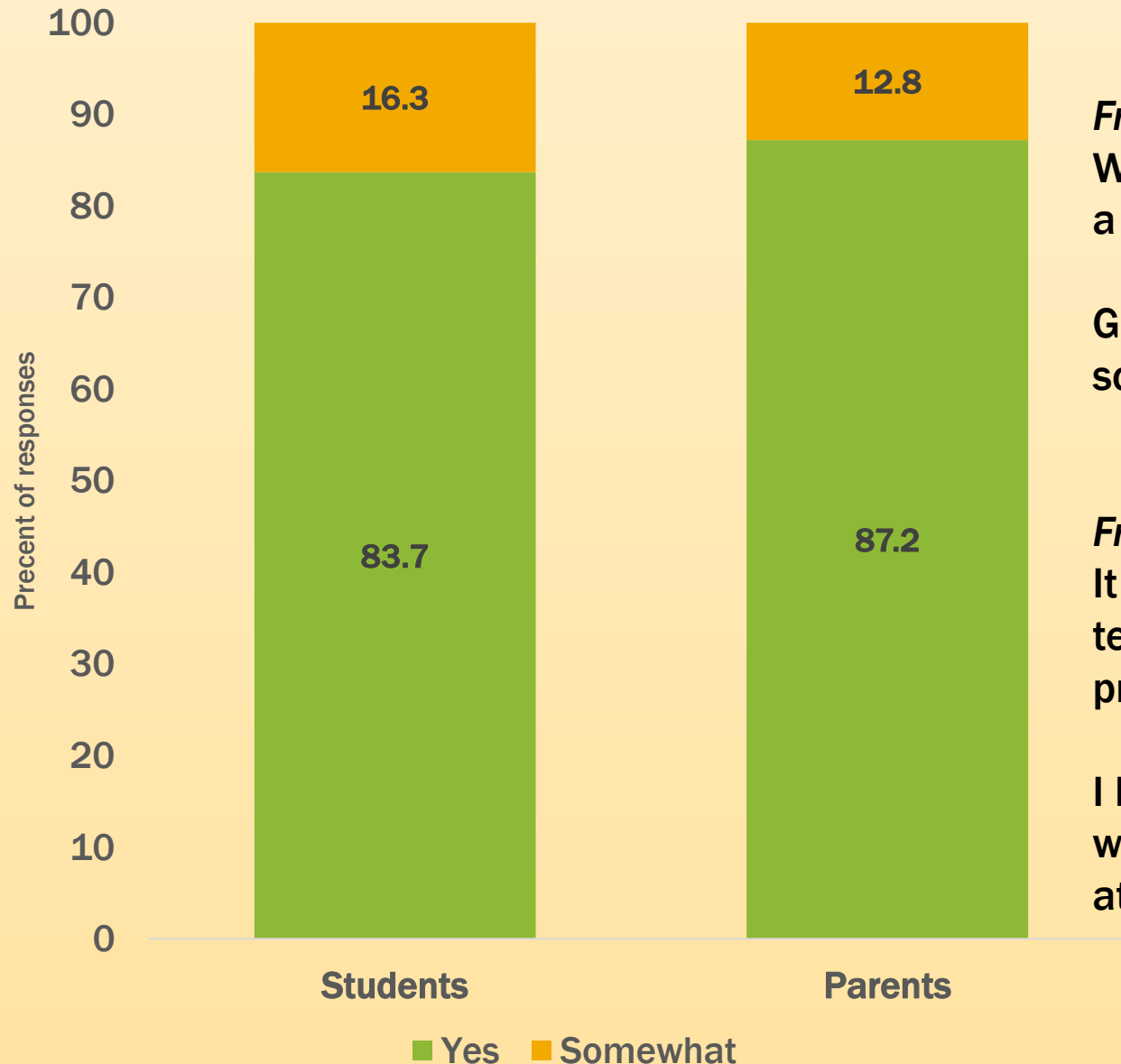
# How well did/does IB prepare you for college the following ways?

Mean responses from the classes of 2021-2023 ( $\pm$ standard deviation).  
4=very well prepared, 1=not prepared at all



# Did/does your experience with the IB Program meet your expectations?

(Responses from the classes of 2021-2023)



*From parents:*

We were very pleased and she is very thankful to have been a part of the program. Her teachers were wonderful.

Great teachers and great support, almost feels like an elite school within a great school.

*From students:*

It was amazing, I loved the relationships I made with teachers and the skills it instilled in me. I feel extremely well prepared for college and life having done IB.

I loved my time in the IB program and appreciate all of the work done by the IB faculty to make the program successful at CCDS!



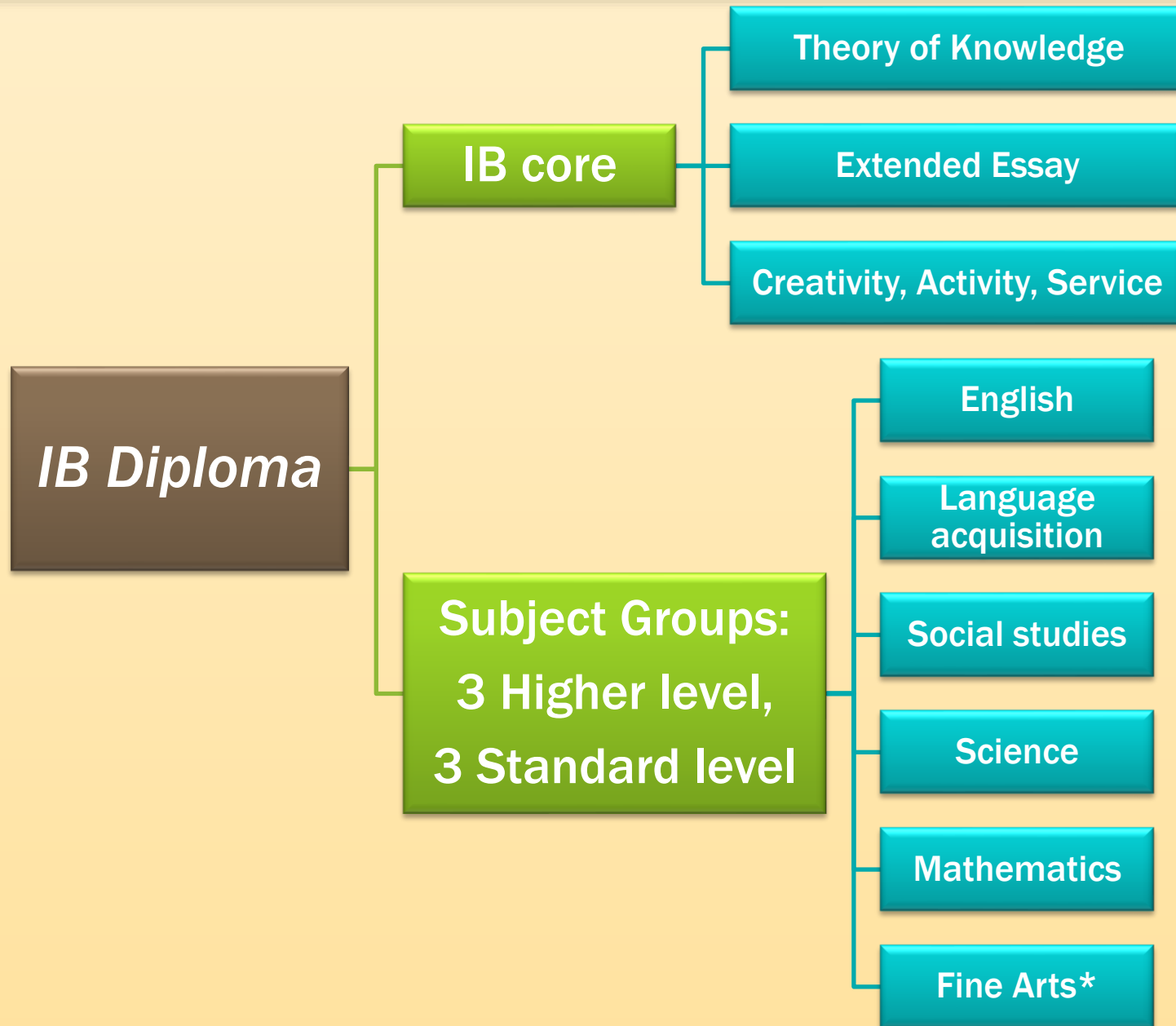


## Selected findings from IB's research

Recent academic research into the impact of IB found that participation in the Diploma Program:

- Increases critical thinking
- Increases global mindedness
- Improves interpersonal skills
- Higher capacity for 21<sup>st</sup> century skills
- Increased enrollment and persistence in college

# Structure of IB Diploma Program



# IB Core

**Interact Club  
Leaders Make a  
Difference**



“Working with the Special Olympians really opens your eyes and your perspective,” says Sofia. “You build bonds with the athletes and get to know them. That makes it even more special to see them do their event, because you were part of their hard work to get there.”



**Theory of Knowledge,  
“Knowledge and the Knower”**

**The Arts**

**History**

**Human Sciences**

**Math**

**Natural Sciences**



# **IB Course Offerings at CCDS**

**SL=standard level, HL=higher level**

## **English**

**IB English 11, IB English 12 (HL)**

## **Social Studies**

**IB World History (SL), IB History of the Americas (HL),  
IB Psychology (SL), IB Digital Society (SL)**

## **Mathematics**

**IB Applications (SL),  
IB Analysis (SL and HL)**

## **IB Core**

**Theory of Knowledge, CAS, Extended Essay**

## **Modern and Classical Languages**

**French, Latin, Spanish (multiple levels for all),  
Chinese ab initio SL**

## **Science**

**IB Biology (SL and HL),  
IB Chemistry (SL and HL)**

## **Fine Arts**

**IB Visual Art (SL and HL),  
IB Theatre (SL and HL)**



## Scheduling IB

- Individual meetings with IB Coordinator for all accepted applicants
- Factors that contribute to scheduling:
  - Country Day and NC graduation requirements
  - IB requirements
  - Appropriate HL courses
  - Student's interests and passions
- 3 samples follow but many more possibilities

## Sample Schedule A

	Junior Year	Senior Year
1	IB English 11*	IB English 12* (HL)
2	IB World History* (SL)	IB History of the Americas (HL)
3	Spanish IV	Spanish V (SL)
4	Honors Precalculus	IB Analysis (SL)
5	IB Biology (SL)	IB Biology (HL)
6	Theory of Knowledge*	IB Psychology (SL)
7	Free	Free

\*required courses for all IB students

## Sample Schedule B

	Junior Year	Senior Year
1	IB English 11*	IB English 12* (HL)
2	IB World History*	IB History of the Americas (HL)
3	Honors Spanish IV	AP/IB Spanish (HL)
4	AP Calculus BC	IB Analysis (HL)
5	IB Biology (SL)	AP Statistics with R
6	Theory of Knowledge*	IB Digital Society (SL)
7	Free	Free

\*required courses for all IB students

## Sample Schedule C

	Junior Year	Senior Year
1	IB English 11*	IB English 12* (HL)
2	IB World History*	IB History of the Americas (HL)
3	Honors French III	Honors French IV (SL)
4	Precalculus	IB Applications (SL)
5	IB Visual Art I	IB Visual Art II (HL)
6	Theory of Knowledge*	IB Chemistry (SL)
7	Free	Free

\*required courses for all IB students





## Assessment in IB

- Mostly Country Day coursework for Country Day grades
- Variety of major assessments for each subject
- Good scores on IB work leads to an IB Diploma
- IB scores and transcript totally separate from Country Day transcript



## **Good candidates for IB**

- **Well-rounded, solid academic talent**
- **Strong approach to school**
- **Genuine interest in the program**
- **Demonstrate the qualities of the IB learner profile**
  - **Inquirer, open-minded, knowledgeable, caring, thinker, risk-taker, communicator, balanced, principled, reflective**



## Application process

- **Students complete personal statement (due 2/26)**
- **Faculty complete an online rec form (due 2/26)**
- **Mr. Peery pulls transcripts for all applicants**
- **IB Faculty Committee will anonymously evaluate all applications**
- **Admissions decisions released on or around March 20**
  - **Accepted, denied, or provisionally accepted**
- **All accepted students must meet with Mr. Peery on March 25-29**
- **April 15 (course registration deadline): deadline for committing to IB**