An International Baccalaureate
Middle Years Program Campus

Information Night

Winston Churchill Middle School



2025

Introductions

Ms. Sliwa - Vice Principal
Ms. Lewis - IB Coordinator, Teacher
Ms. Holdaway - IB Coordinator, Teacher
Ms. Allen - Advanced & Accelerated Programs Director, Deterding Principal

A Glimpse Into our School

What is an IB Education?

Q & A Session

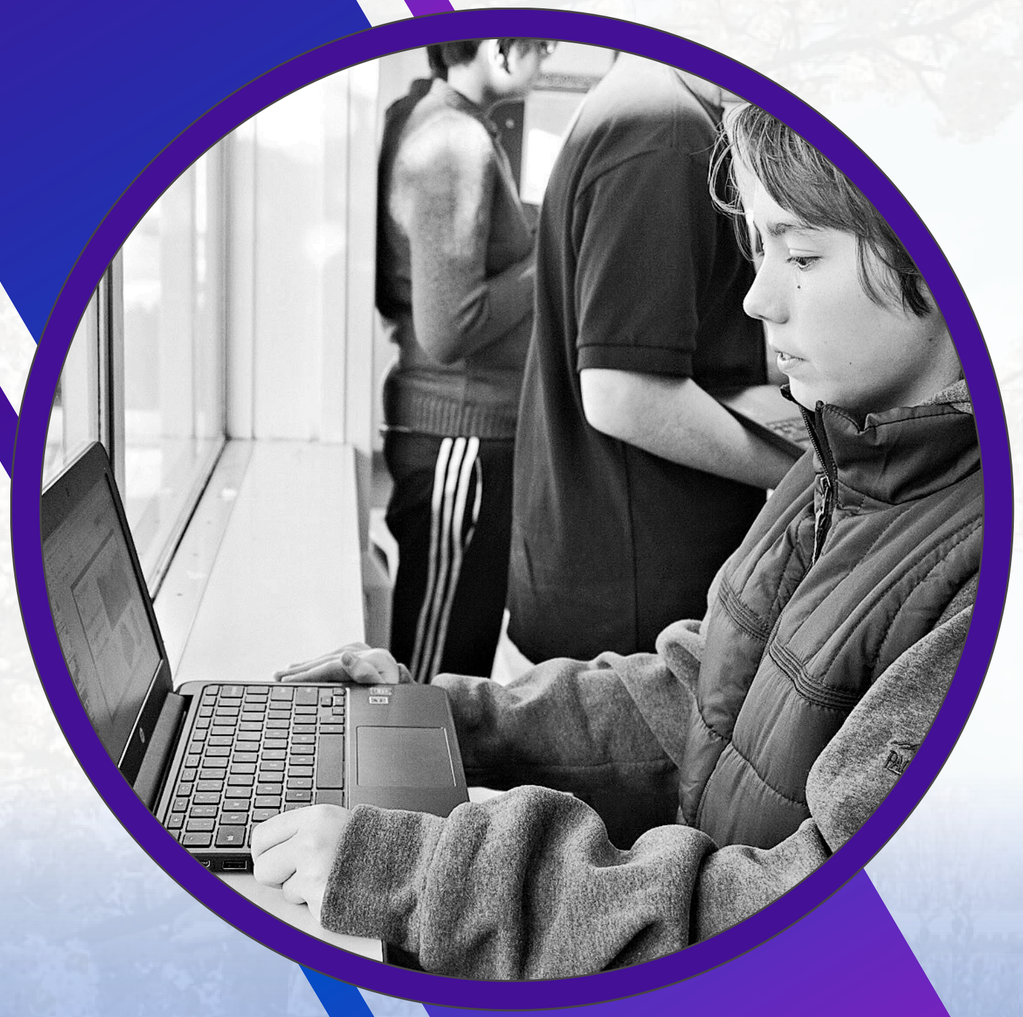


Churchill's Diversity

Current Enrollment: Approximately 1,000+ Students

Academic Programs:

IB Diplomat Program –
Accelerated Pathway
IB Ambassador Program –
Grade Level Pathway
AVID - 7th & 8th Grade
ELD - Newcomer Classes
Special Education



IB Diplomat Program

Accelerated pacing and rigor
Accelerated math options
High School level courses available
Meet required hours and courses aligned with the International Baccalaureate Program

Qualification Process Through Advanced and Accelerated Programs Office - SJUSD

Homework - *work done outside of school depends on many factors - number of accelerated courses selected and the pace in which your student works!*

IB Ambassador Program



Grade Level Coursework
Accelerated Math Options
IB Aligned Assessments
IB Rubrics
Exposure to World Language available

Automatic Program Placement for Churchill Middle School and students who Open Enroll

Electives









Drama - Performing Arts

Student Leadership

Advanced Art

Various Band Offerings

Choir

Technology Interaction

BTV - Daily News/Media Class

World Language:

Spanish
French
Mandarin

WEB

Welcome Every Bulldog

All 6th Graders participate in WEB orientation day - day before 1st day of school!

Weekly meet-ups with WEB leaders during Homeroom.

Special After School WEB events.

-Skate Nights

-Costumes, Candy, Cinema Night





Academic Teams

Science Olympiad
Science Bowl
Quiz Bowl
Debate Team
E-Sports
History Day
Spelling Bee[all students participate]
Business Professionals of America



More Team Information:

Watch BTV
www.youtube.com/@Bulldogtelevisionwcms

Visit our website
churchill.sanjuan.edu

Clubs

Every year, our club offerings vary depending on student interest and teacher advisors. All club offerings will be advertised on BTV as they begin meeting throughout the year!



PRIDE PACK

A safe space for our LGBTQ+ students and allies. This club typically meets during lunch periods once a week.

Creative Writing Club

Student created club that invites all students interested in creative writing. This club typically meets Mondays after school.





BSU

Our Black Student Union is open to all students interested in participating in student voice and activism on campus. This club typically meets Wednesdays after school.

NBA Math Hoops

This club works on improving math skills through a competitive board game. Students also get to attend Sacramento King's team events.



Athletics

Our school offers both SJUSD sponsored sports teams, as well as teams that are ran through Mission Oaks Park and Recreation Department.



Fall Sports

Co-Ed Volleyball

Participation Fee - Mission Oaks Park & Rec

Winter Sports

Girls Basketball
Boys Basketball

Participation Fee - Mission Oaks Park & Rec





Fall Sports

Co-Ed Cross Country

Free - SJUSD Sponsored Sport

Spring Sports

Co-Ed Track & Field

Free - SJUSD Sponsored Sport



Bridges



Our SJUSD ran after school program.
Space is limited.

More information found online!

SJUSD Bridges:

https://www.sanjuan.edu/resources/before-after-school-programs/bridges-after-school-assets

Making Middle School Fun













Campus Activities



Skate Nights @ Foothill Skate Inn

Dances Each Quarter!



Rallies



8th Grade Exploratorium

Spirit Weeks



Chinese New Year Celebration



Ellies - Elective Awards



6th Grade Outdoor Ed

East Coast Trip

8th Grade Promotion

Service Learning

Our students are taught about global mindedness and helping others through various service learning opportunities during their years at WCMS.

Kids Can! Food Drive

Every fall, our Homeroom classes participate in a canned food drive - organized by our student leadership classes.



Annual Toy Drive

Every winter, our Homeroom classes participate in a toy drive benefitting Dyer-Kelly Elementary School in Sacramento, CA.



Community Project

During the 2nd semester, our 8th grade students research, plan, and participate in a community service project of their own design - instruction and support given during Homeroom. .

6th Grade Camp

Missions Springs Outdoor Education

Every October - 4 Day Camp

Approximate Cost: $400







Mission Springs Outdoor Education

https://missionspringsoe.com/

Watch Previous WCMS Camp Videos

https://churchill.sanjuan.edu/activities/outdoor-education

What is an IB Education?

Our school is part of the Middle Years Program (MYP) of the larger system known as the International Baccalaureate. It is designed for students grades 6 to 10. Our sister school for IBMYP is Mira Loma High School.

The IB aims to develop students' intellectual, personal, emotional, and social skills to help them engage with a rapidly changing world.



Unique to International Baccalaureate Schools



Curriculum Framework

*Eight IBMYP Subjects
*Interdisciplinary Learning: Encourages connections between subjects, fostering a more integrated understanding of knowledge.



Approaches to Learning (ATL)

The ATL's give strategic focus on developing skills that ***help students learn how to learn***. These skills include: *Thinking Skills, Communication Skills, Social Skills, Self-Management Skills, Research Skills*

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Global Contexts

The MYP emphasizes understanding different perspectives and cultures through global contexts. This helps students relate their studies to real-world issues. The contexts include:

- Identities and Relationships
- Orientation in Space and Time
- Scientific and Technical Innovation
- Globalization and Sustainability
- Fairness and Development
- Personal and Cultural Expression

Community and Service

Encourages students to engage with their communities through service-learning projects, fostering a sense of responsibility and active citizenship.

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Assessment

The MYP uses a criterion-referenced assessment approach, focusing on students' achievement against established criteria rather than against each other. This allows for personalized feedback and growth.

Our students will receive traditional letter grades A-F.
In addition, they will earn IB Marks [2nd semester only].



International Mindedness

Promotes an understanding and appreciation of different cultures and global issues, preparing students to be thoughtful, informed, and engaged global citizens.



IB MYP Subjects

- Language & Literature
- Individuals & Societies
- Mathematics
- Sciences
- Physical & Health Education
- Arts
- Design
- Language Acquisition
  - French, Chinese, Spanish



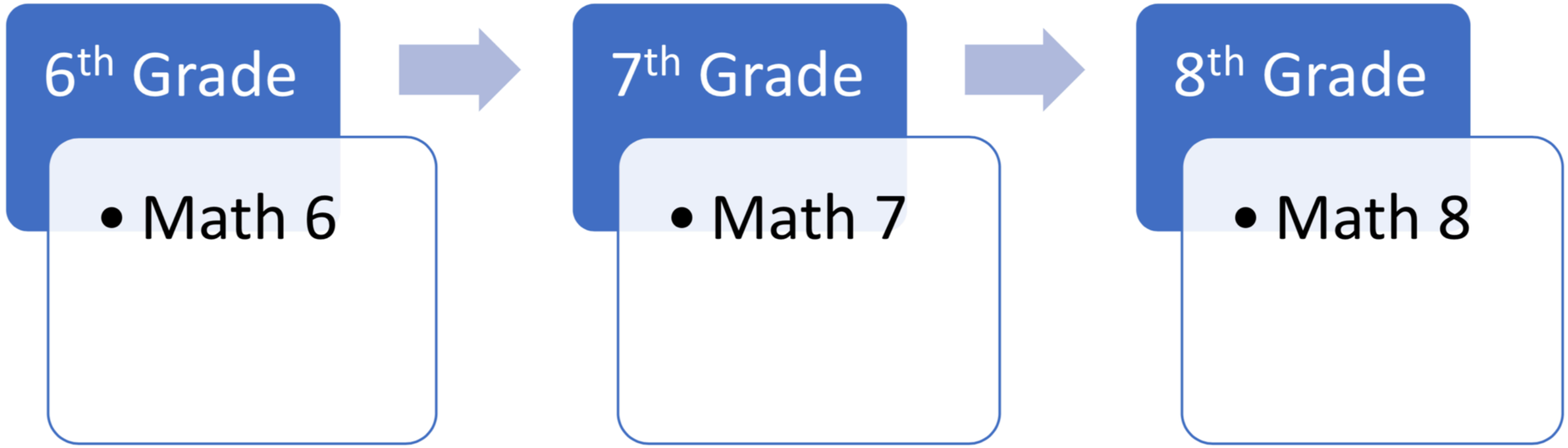


World Language
language acquisition

- ***6th Grade*** - 12 week rotation of 3 World Languages

- ***7th & 8th Grade Students:***
- High school level courses
- Students who successfully complete levels I & II may start level III in high school.

DEFAULT MATH PATHWAY



Churchill offers two acceleration options.

math questions: dena.kauer@sanjaun.edu

ACCELERATION OPTION #1

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
• Math 6	• Accelerated Math 7	• Integrated Math 1

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ACCELERATION OPTION #2

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
• Accelerated Math 7	• Integrated Math 1	• Integrated Math 2

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WCMS Visitation Days

November 6th & 7th

Interested students and families may attend a Churchill student-led tour of our campus during these designated times.

**No sign-ups necessary*

11/6- 8:30am - 11:00am and 12:30pm - 1:30pm

11/7- 8:30am - 11:00am and 12:30pm - 1:30pm

Visitation Days are for interested students and their guardians!

Attendance passes will be given to families who attend. Please plan on a one-hour experience. *Our morning sessions tend to be the busiest!*

In-District Enrollment

Commitment Google Form Due - January 16, 2026

Early February: Families will be notified of Placement Status in IBMYP - Accelerated

Application Window

[only required for students not already pre-qualified]

October 1st - November 19th

If you live within SJUSD but do not currently attend a SJUSD school, please apply and provide proof of residency by November 21st.

Out of District Enrollment



Mandatory Online Application Window

October 1st - November 19th

Students interested who are not currently enrolled in SJUSD must apply - out of district students do not automatically qualify.



November 21st, 2025

Report Cards Due (Not Currently Enrolled Students)
CAASPP Scores Due (Not Currently Enrolled Students)

Questions Regarding Eligibility Criteria

Our application process is handled through the Advanced and Accelerated Programs Office.

Please visit their website for questions regarding the application timeline/process as well as eligibility.



Email Accelerated Programs

accelerated@sanjuan.edu



Advanced & Accelerated Programs Website

https://www.sanjuan.edu/academics/accelerated-programs

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Questions?



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