

Socastee High School IB Admissions Policy

Overview:

The Socastee High School International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IBDP) welcomes all Horry County students to participate in the IBDP as either a Course Candidate or a full Diploma Candidate provided these students have successfully completed recommended preparatory courses. No testing data is required as admissions criteria. A chart of the requirements for the recommended preparatory courses is included below.

Socastee High School students interested in participating in the IBDP are given the opportunity to declare this interest when meeting with the counselors to devise an Individual Graduation Plan (IGP). Meeting the requirements for the South Carolina High School Diploma (SCHSD) while studying the IBDP is an integral part of the IGP. A list of the requirements for the SCHSD is included below.

Students who do not live in the Socastee High School attendance area are required to submit an online application with the Horry County Schools. The Socastee High School IBDP is not considered a district-wide initiative; rather, the program is designated a school-based program that may accept students from other schools in the county. Unlike the district-wide programs, transportation is not provided to those students who apply and are accepted to the IBDP.

The application district portal is opened in January and closes in February. The Socastee High School IBDP application portal remains open year-round. The application portal is included on the Horry County School District web site at horrycountyschools.net.

Socastee High School IB Program welcomes students who speak English as a second or other language. Furthermore, the Socastee High School IB Program embraces the benefits of a culturally diverse program that reflects the IB Mission Statement. On a need basis, students are offered language-learning support via the English Language Learners (ELL) Program as well as any accommodations that they have been afforded in their Individual education Plan (IEP).

Recommended preparatory courses for the Socastee High School IBDP

7 th Grade	8 th Grade
Algebra I Honors	Geometry Honors
Computer Science (.5 credit)	English I Honors
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9th Grade	
1st Semester	2nd Semester
Government & Economics Honors	Fine Arts Course
Biology Honors	Algebra II Honors
English II Honors	JR ROTC or PE
French I or Spanish I	French II or Spanish II
Possible AP Government and/or AP Human Geography in Grade 9 or Grade 10	

10th Grade	
1st Semester	2nd Semester
Honors Chemistry	Electives
AP Language/AP U.S. History	
Honors pre-Calculus	Entrepreneurship
Honors French III or Spanish III	Honors French IV or Spanish IV

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South Carolina High School Diploma Requirements

Requirements for Earning a South Carolina High School Diploma (Grades 9-12)

The student must earn 24 total units of credit as follows:

Subject Area	Units
English/Language Arts	4.0
Mathematics	4.0
Science	3.0
U.S. History and Constitution	1.0
Economics	0.5
U.S. Government	0.5
Other Social Studies Course(s)	1.0
Physical Education or Junior ROTC	1.0
Computer Science (including keyboarding)	1.0
Foreign Language or Career and Technology Education	1.0
Personal Finance	0.5
Electives	6.5
TOTAL	24.0

<https://ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/state-accountability/high-school-courses-and-requirements/>