

International School of Beaverton

Open House Information Night for Incoming High School Students
Openings in Grades 9 and 10



Becoming compassionate world citizens...



Some introductions... Who's in the house?

Principal: Andrew Gilford

Assistant Principal: Kelly Bordwell

HS Counselor: Kathryn Hirsch

Health/PE Teacher: Socorro Hernandez

Social Studies Teacher: Beth Hartford



ISB School Mission

At ISB students to learn through an international lens as thoughtful, compassionate world citizens.

We actively embrace intellectual rigor, intercultural respect, service to our local and world communities, and the promise of a peaceful world.

International Baccalaureate Curriculum

(intellectual rigor and an international lens)

- IBO World School

- Authorized IB Middle Years Program
- Authorized IB Diploma Program



6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Middle Years Program					Diploma Program	

The International Baccalaureate is...

- **Broad and balanced**
 - broad range of content
 - no emphasis in any one academic area
- **Conceptual**
 - engages with large complex ideas
- **Connected**
 - learning within global contexts
 - integration of ideas across subjects
- **A set of principles for teaching and learning**
 - inquiry-based
 - collaborative
 - differentiated
 - thinking and communication based
 - community and global engagement

International Baccalaureate Learner Profile



- ISB aims to develop internationally minded people who are striving to become...
 - Inquirers
 - Knowledgeable
 - Critical Thinkers
 - Communicators
 - Risk Takers
 - Caring
 - Open-minded
 - Well-balanced
 - Principled
 - Reflective

International Lens and Intercultural Respect

- Over 50 home languages spoken among ISB families
- Opportunities in and out of class for students to explore their own cultural identity and engage with classmates in dialogue
- Internationally related opportunities give students a chance to practice this intercultural respect
- Culture Week and International Night



International Lens and Intercultural Respect



- Hosting student groups from other countries
- Student groups and clubs with an international element
- Cultural celebrations around the year from across the globe

- Guest speakers
- Guest performers
- International organizations
- Many staff are either from other countries or lived/taught in other countries

Middle Years Program (Grades 6-10)

- ❖ Grades 6-10
- ❖ Learner Profile Traits, ATT, ATL, Global context at the core
- ❖ Academic course requirements, and...
- ❖ Service as Action (Grade 9)
 - Four significant community engagement/service activities
- ❖ Personal Project (Grade 10)
 - Independent student-driven project focused on research often with a service dimension to it
- ❖ Articulated with the Diploma Program (Grades 11-12) to ensure student readiness.
- ❖ MYP Celebration at the end of Grade 10

Diploma Program (Grades 11-12)

Depth and breadth

- 6 subject areas
- “Higher Level” courses and “Standard Level” courses taught over 2 years

Challenging assessment

- International examinations and examiners
- Criterion referenced exams
- Final results based on May exams and work during school year.

Complete program

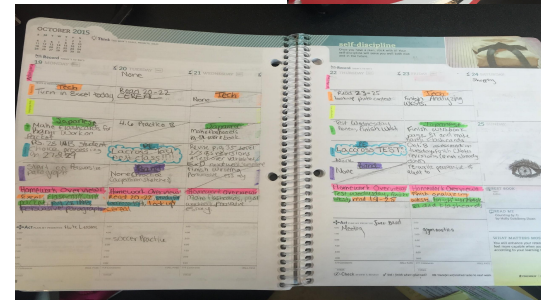
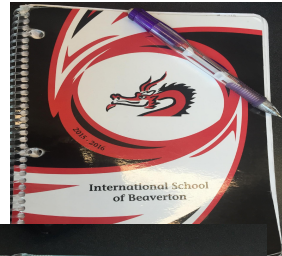
- 6 different exams (3 HL and 3 SL)
- Independent research project - Extended Essay
- Critical exploration of knowledge issues - Theory of Knowledge
- Development of skills out of the classroom - **Creativity, Activity, & Service (CAS)**

What makes ISB's Diploma Program unique?

- All students are *full IB* students, enrolled in full IB program
- Support of entire school community
- All courses are two years long
- Every student encouraged to take the examinations at the end of Grade 12 and earn full IB Diploma
 - +/- 90% test for the full diploma
 - 80-85% earn the full diploma

Academic Supports

- IB Approaches to Teaching & Learning
- Counselors, Social Worker
- English Language Support for non-native speakers
- Special Education
- Community Service Coordinator
- Advisory/Access Tutorial



AVID:

Advancement Via Individual Determination

- Elective Class at Grades 9-12
- Designed for first generation college bound students to help them with preparation for and through the college going process
- Applications, financial aid, scholarships as well as academic skill development

Group 1:

Language & Literature

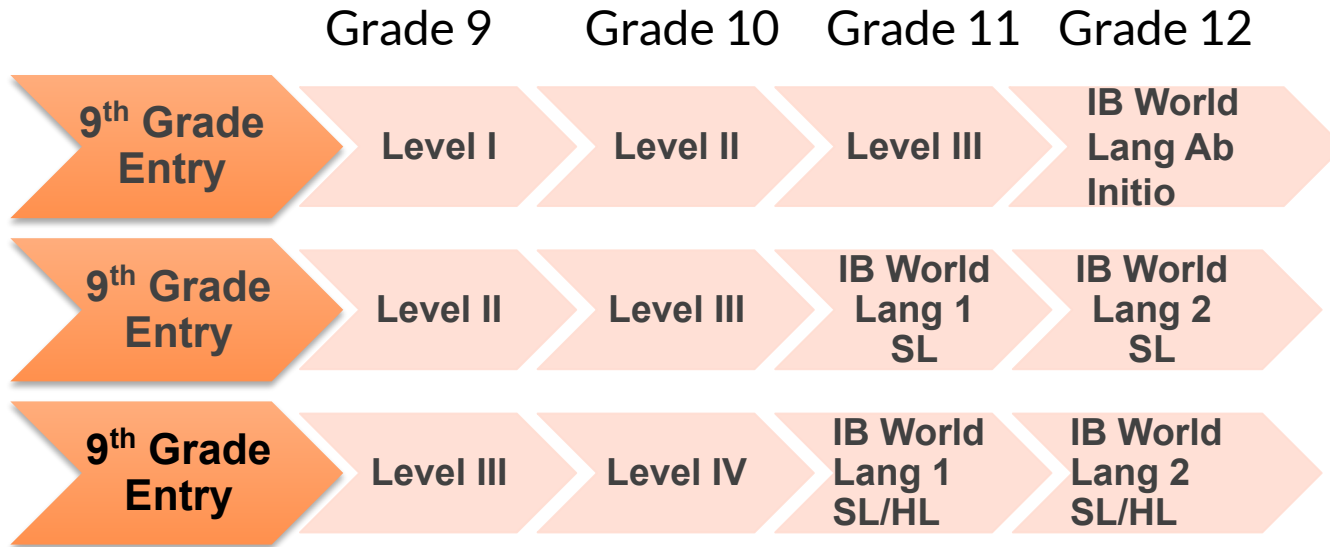
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Literature & Composition 9	Literature & Composition 10	IB Language & Literature HL1	IB Language & Literature HL2

Group 2:

World Languages

Japanese, Mandarin, or Spanish

required all 4 years of high school



Self Taught Languages in Grades

11-12

- Arabic
- Tagalog
- German
- Russian
- French
- Gujarati

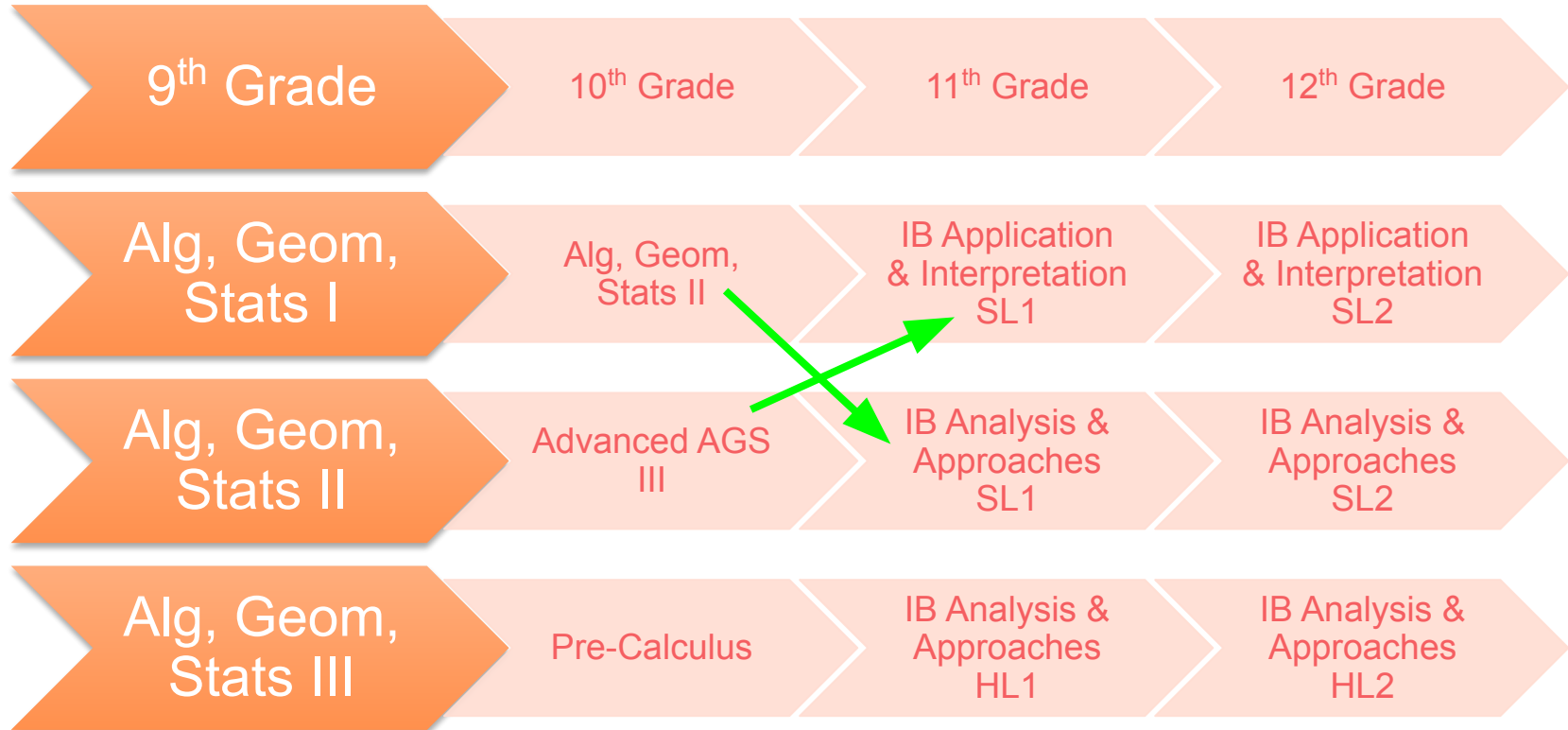
Group 3: Individuals & Societies

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
US History	Civics and Economics	IB History HL I	IB History HL II

Group 4: Science

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
STEM Physics	STEM Chemistry	IB Biology HLI	IB Biology HLII

Group 5: Mathematics



Group 6: Arts & Electives

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
Art 1 & 2 or Mixed Media	Mixed Media Or Art Studio	IB Art SL/HL 1	IB Art SL/HL 2
Concert Band or Symphonic Band	Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble	IB Chemistry SL1 IB Psychology SL1 IB Global Politics SL1 IB Self Taught Language A SL 1	IB Chemistry SL2 IB Psychology SL2 IB Global Politics SL2 IB Self Taught Language A SL 2
Concert Choir or Adv. Vocal Ensemble	Concert Choir or Adv. Vocal Ensemble		
Digital Film-Making 1	Digital Film-Making 2		

Other Courses

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
• PE (1 semester) • Health (1 semester) • IB Seminar • AVID • Adv. Sci. Research	• PE (1 semester) • Health (1 semester) • Personal Project (1st Sem) • Personal Finance (2nd Sem) • AVID	• Extended Studies (IB Biology, IB History, IB Lang & Lit., Extended Essay) • College and Career • Theory of Knowledge (TOK) • AVID	• Theory of Knowledge (TOK) • AVID • Late Arrival/ Early Release • Teacher Asst.

After High School Success

- ❖ Supportive counseling program with one-on-one help
- ❖ 100% graduation rate for the last several years
- ❖ 95% - 100% college matriculation rate
- ❖ 95%-98% college return rate (70% nationally)
- ❖ Students are entering a diverse range of schools and are choosing a diverse range of majors

IB Credits at College

Credits

- School specific – If you Google search the name of a college and IB you are usually guided straight to that college's IB credit policy.
- Oregon's Public Universities (EOU, PSU, OIT, OSU, SOU, UO, WOU)
 - Postsecondary credit will be awarded for scores of 4+ on either Standard Level or High Level IB Exams;
 - A student **may** receive up to 55 credits for an IB diploma
 - Most ISB students leave for college with credits and prerequisites completed



Academic Excellence:

ISB Student Success

\$3,741,140.00

In grants and scholarships

Class of 2025

92 graduates

Does not count credits from exams!

Where are ISB Dragons today?

- Executive director of a non-profit
- Medical student/Doctor
- PhD astrophysics student
- Senior investment reporting analyst
- Director of off-campus studies for a university
- Architect
- Washington County Emergency Task Force
- Lawyer with US Department of Justice
- International business and development
- Software development engineer

Beyond the classroom...



Service to our Local and Global Communities

- Part of our mission
- Role of service within MYP
- Service is about learning
(integrated into some classes)
- Grade 6, 7, 9: Service as
Action
- Grade 8 Community Project
- Grade 10: Personal Project
- Grade 11-12: CAS



Co-Curricular Activities 2025-26 44+

APIA

Art club

Astronomy Club

Badminton Club

Basketball club

Black Student Union

Business Club

Cancer Kids First/Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Cards for Hospitalized Kids (CFHK)

Chess Club

Club 3:16

Crochet Club

Close Up Club

CSHS - Computer Science Honor Society

Environment Club

Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA)

Global Issues Network (GIN)

Investing Club

Health Enthusiasts for Awareness Research and Teamwork Club (HEART)

HOSA Future Health Professionals

ISB Lair

ISB Red Cross

Japanese National Honor Society

Jazz Band

Latino Leadership

Mahjong Club

Math Club

Math Honor Society (Mu Alpha Theta)

Mock Trial

Model United Nations (MUN)

Muslim Student Association (MSA)

National English Honor Society

NCHS (National Chinese Honor Society)

NHS (National Honor Society)

Ping Pong Club

Public Speech and Debate Club (CLA)

Rho Kappa

Rocketry Robotics

Science National Honor Society

Science Olympiad

South Asian Heritage Club

Splattoon Club

Student Council

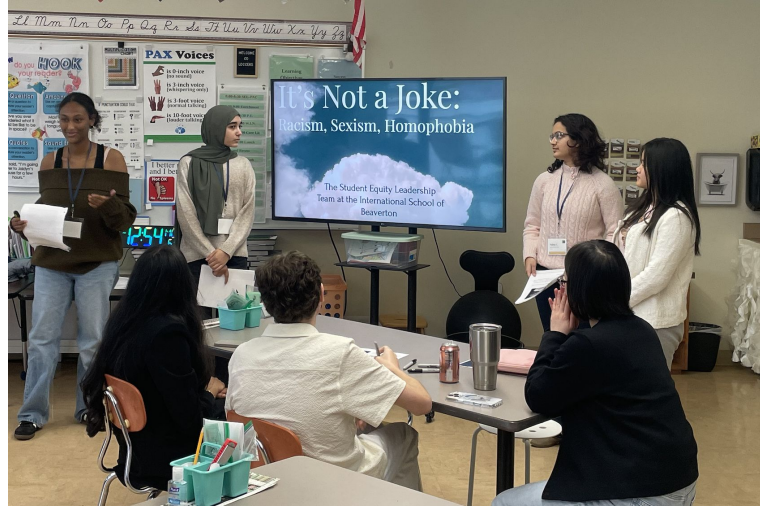
Video Game Club

Volunteering Club

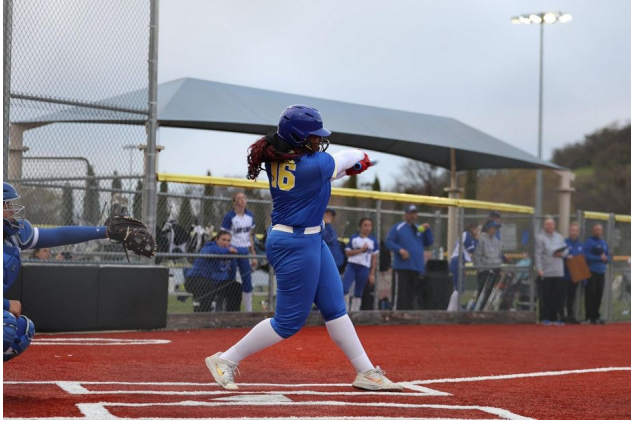
Yearbook



Dances, Spirit Days, Community Events



Activities & Athletics



**We aspire to be
balanced!**



**We have athletes
competing across the
district!**

School Bus transportation to home high school!

Some Nuts and Bolts about ISB...



Student Schedule

A Days (odd)

Period	Time	Duration
1	8:25 - 9:55	90 min
3	10:00 - 11:30	90 min
Lunch	11:30 - 12:00 Lunch	30 min
5	12:05 - 1:35 Class	90 min
7	1:40 - 3:10	90 min

B Days (even)

Period	Time	Duration
2	8:25 - 9:55	90 min
4	10:00 - 11:30	90 min
Lunch	11:30 - 12:00 Lunch	30 min
6	12:05 - 1:35 Class	90 min
8	1:40 - 3:10	90 min

Advisory & Access Tutorial

On Wednesday & Thursday, class periods are slightly shorter. Similar to a Homeroom, Advisory meets on Wednesdays. On Thursday, Access Tutorials provides time during the school day for students to meet with study groups or teachers .

Transportation to an Options School

- Morning

- Neighborhood → Hub → ISB

- Afternoon

- ISB → Home High School → Neighborhood



Is ISB a good fit for you?

- Do you want to ...
 - be an independent and evaluative thinker?
 - put your knowledge, skills and attitudes into practice through community service?
 - go deep in a rigorous, complex curriculum focused on real world connections?
 - become a member of a small learning community focused on academic excellence for all?
 - develop college level analytical writing and reading skills
 - commit to a 9-12 program that builds skills and deep knowledge over the years?

Is ISB a good fit for you?

- Do you want to...
 - Go to school outside your neighborhood with all new people?
 - Potentially have a long commute?
 - Be at a school that is Grade 6-12 with some classes being mixed grade levels?
 - Be at a small school where you know everybody and everybody knows you?
 - Have a lot of homework?
 - Be in an older building that doesn't have updated state-of-the-art facilities?

Next Steps

Lottery Openings for 2025-26

9th Grade - 10 students

10th Grade - 7 students

11th and 12th Grade - 0 students

+/- 50 applicants at grades 9 and 10

Next Steps

- Submit BSD Options Application by 3:00 pm, Friday, December 5th. Beaverton School District residency or approved inter-district transfer required.
- Lottery will be held on Wednesday, December 10th. Notifications will be emailed to families on Friday, December 12th.
- If offered, you must accept or decline by Friday, January 16, 2026. We backfill based on number of people declining and enrollment at other grade levels.

Next Steps

What if I am not selected through the lottery process?

- As spaces become available, additional students are selected from the original application pool.
- As students are selected through these additional lottery rounds, they will be contacted by ISB's registrar during the late spring and summer of 2025.



Thank you!
Questions?

Thank you for coming! Feel free to walk through the main part of the building as you depart.