

International Baccalaureate



Diploma
Programme

A.C. Flora High School



What is the IB Diploma Programme?



- A complete program of study that is known and respected throughout the world
- Aimed at a global audience
- Quality university preparation for schools around the world

What is the IB Diploma Programme?



- Complete Program of Study:
 - Studies in Language and Literature
 - Language Acquisition
 - Individuals & Society
 - Sciences
 - Mathematics
 - The Arts

PLUS:

The core (Extended Essay, CAS, and TOK)

What sets IB apart?



- Cultivates the whole student
 - Academics
 - Creativity, Activity, Service – CAS programme
 - Time management and research skills - EE
- International-mindedness
 - Global citizens from different cultures with different points of view
 - Value different perspectives

Why is the IB diploma ideal for college prep?

- Students analyze the world around them with an emphasis on written and oral communication.
- Advanced skills in a second language.
- Final IB grades are determined through a mix of coursework (Internal Assessments) and exam performance – little reliance on multiple-choice exams.
- Gain the skills necessary to take on any **challenge**. Confidence now = success at the university level.



10 Reasons
why the IB Diploma Programme (DP) is ideal preparation for university

- It increases academic opportunity**
Research shows that DP graduates are much more likely to be enrolled at top higher education institutions than entrants holding other qualifications.
- IB students care about more than just results**
Through creativity, action, service (CAS) you learn outside the classroom and develop emotionally and ethically as well as intellectually.
- It encourages you to become a confident and independent learner**
For example, the extended essay requires independent research through an in-depth study.
- It's an international qualification**
The DP is recognized globally by universities and employers.
- Graduates are globally minded**
Language classes encourage an international mindset, key for increasingly globalized societies.
- The IB encourages critical thinking**
Learn how to analyse and evaluate issues, generate ideas and consider new perspectives.
- DP students have proven time management skills**
Take good study habits and strong time management to further education and the working world.
- It assesses more than examination techniques**
Learn to understand, not just memorize facts or topics and prepare for exams.
- Subjects are not taught in isolation**
Theory of knowledge (TOK) classes encourage you to make connections between subjects.
- It encourages breadth and depth of learning**
You are able to choose courses from six subject groups and study subjects at different levels.

*Based on IB research - www.ibo.org/research
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IB helps students form strong relationships



community



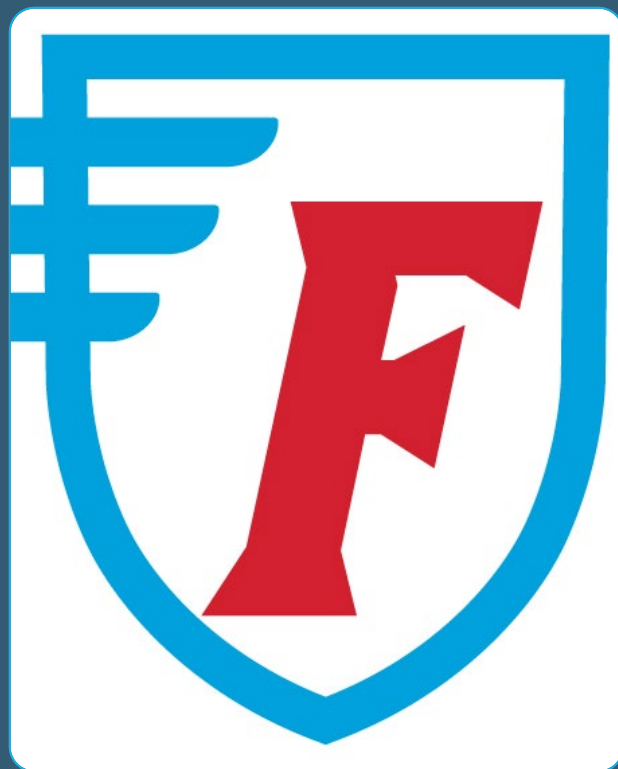
friendships

What are others saying about IB?

“One of the advantages of an IB curriculum is its structure and quality. It is a coordinated program, well established, well-known and well-respected. We know the quality of IB courses, and we think the IB curriculum is terrific.” Christoph Guttentag Director of Undergraduate Admissions Duke University

“IB is well-known to us for excellent preparation. Success in an IB programme correlates well with success at Harvard. We are always pleased to see the credentials of the IB diploma programme on the transcript. GPA is not nearly as important a factor in university admission as the IB Diploma. If a student has to choose, choose the Diploma over protecting the GPA.” Marilyn McGrath Lewis Director of Admissions Harvard University

The IB Diploma Programme at Flora



- We offer a full diploma programme.
- We are consistently among the largest IB diploma programmes in SC.
- Our school's pass rate is consistently among the highest for SC schools with the full diploma programme.

Support in the IB Diploma Programme



- Students will have the comfort of knowing that there is a support system in place to help them navigate the IB Diploma Programme.
 - Coordinator – Mr. Keller
 - Counseling – Ms. Porter
 - Teachers / EE supervisors
 - one another

IB Diploma Requirements



- IB diploma candidates must complete:
 - 6 IB courses – One course from each of the groups 1-5 with the 6th course being an Arts course or an additional course from groups 1-5.
 - The Theory of Knowledge course
 - The CAS programme (Creativity, Activity and Service)
 - A 4000-word extended essay research project.

Higher Level vs. Standard Level courses



- IB courses are divided into two levels: higher level and standard level.
- Students are expected to demonstrate a greater body of knowledge, understanding and skills in higher level courses.
- All IB diploma candidates must take a total 6 IB courses with a minimum of 3 and no more than 4 higher level courses and the remaining at standard level.

How do you earn the IB diploma?



- Students must earn a total of 24 points with at least 12 points coming from HL courses
- Each course is scored 1 – 7 by IB. A passing score is a FOUR.
- Course scores are composed of internal and external assessments (not one test at the end of the program).
- Must also pass TOK, CAS and the Extended Essay
- With 6 subject areas, an average exam score of 4 should suffice.

IB at A.C. Flora – Year 1



- English Literature HL
- French or Spanish SL
- History HL
- Math HL or SL
- 3rd HL course (Biology, Design Tech, Geography, Visual Arts, Dance, Theatre)
- TOK
- AP Gov't and AP Econ
- OR
- Honors Gov't and Honors Econ -- Honors students will choose an additional elective.

IB at A.C. Flora – Year 2



- English Literature HL
- French or Spanish SL
- History HL
- Math HL or SL
- 3rd HL course (Biology, Design Tech, Geography, Visual Arts, Dance, Theatre)
- TOK
- 6th IB SL course (Biology, Physics, Environmental Systems and Societies, Visual Arts, Dance, Theatre, Music) – this course is taken as a 4x4 course for two semesters.

Selecting your IB courses

- What do you want for your 3rd HL course?
 - Biology, Geography, Design Tech, Visual Arts, Dance or Theatre
- Which IB Math do you want to choose?
 - Math Applications and Interpretation SL
 - Math Analysis and Approaches SL or HL
- Do you want to take AP Gov't and Econ or Honors?
- Depending on which IB courses you sign up for this year, what would you like to take as your 6th SL course next year?
 - Biology, Physics, Env. Sys. & Soc., Visual Arts, Dance, Theatre

Which math course should you choose?

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| <p>Applications and Interpretations (AI)</p> | <p>Analysis and Approaches (AA)</p> | |
| <p>SL</p> | <p>SL</p> | <p>HL</p> |
| <p>Emphasis on Statistics and Probability</p> | <p>Emphasis on Calculus</p> | |
| <p>Algebra 2 Honors Pre-Requisite</p> | <p>Pre-Calculus Pre-Requisite</p> | <p>Pre-Calculus/ Calculus 4x4 Pre-Requisite</p> |

What are our students saying?

I never liked school, or was good at school, but in IB everyone is so close and it makes it better. The teachers are passionate about the subjects they are teaching. The teachers not only care about the students' academic life but also their well being in their personal lives.

The IB programme helped me become better organized and manage my time wisely which has greatly benefitted me in college. By taking rigorous courses it also taught me how to study well. IB also helped me form friendships that I would have never formed and interact with people that had differing viewpoints and perspectives than me which helped me become a better person.

Prerequisites for the IB Diploma Programme

- Algebra 2 (Honors strongly recommended)
- English 2 (Honors strongly recommended)
- Two Social Studies / History courses (at least one AP course is strongly recommended)
- Biology and Chemistry (Physics strongly recommended)
- Three years of Spanish or French are recommended
- We recommend completing the following credit requirements:
 - Computer Science,
 - Fine Arts,
 - Personal Finance,
 - Health and PE

*These courses can be taken through VirtualSC during the summer if students are unable to complete them prior to enrolling in the IB programme.

Course Sign-up

○ If you are ready to sign up for the IB Diploma Programme, please complete the course sign-up form.

IB Diploma Programme Junior Course Selection – Class of 2028

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| NAME: | First | Middle | Last |
| Student Cell Phone Number: | Student Personal Email Contact: | | Student School Email Contact: |
| Parent Cell Phone Number: | Parent Email Contact: | | |
| Student Signature: | | | Date: |

Step One:

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| <p>HL Courses: Choose One (two others are preselected).</p> <p>For students not enrolling in IB Math Analysis and Approaches HL: Please indicate your first choice with a 1 and your alternate choice with a 2.</p> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IB HL English Literature (Group 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IB HL History of the Americas (Group 3) <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Geography (Group 3) <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Biology (Group 4) <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Design Technology (Group 4) <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Math Analysis and Approaches (Group 5) **Honors Pre-Cal/AB Cal Sem prerequisite** <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Dance (Group 6) <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Theatre (Group 6) <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Visual Arts (Group 6) |
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Step Two:

| | | NOT Taking IB HL Math | | | Taking IB HL Math |
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| SL Courses: If you are not taking HL Math, please select one course from Group 2 and one from Group 5. Also select the level for Gov/Econ. An additional SL Course will be added senior year. | Group Two: Language Acquisition (Prerequisite Level 3 for all SL. If you have 2 levels, select "ab initio") | <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL French _____ ab initio? <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL German _____ ab initio? <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL Spanish _____ ab initio? | | | <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL French _____ ab initio? <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL German _____ ab initio? <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL Spanish _____ ab initio? |
| | Group Five: Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL Math Analysis & Approaches (Pre-Cal prerequisite) <input type="checkbox"/> IB SL Math Applications & Interpretation (Algebra 2 prerequisite) | | | Additional HL Course (2 year course) Please indicate your first choice with a 1 and your alternate choice with a 2. <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Geography <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Biology <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Design Technology <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Dance <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Theatre <input type="checkbox"/> IB HL Visual Arts |
| | Additional High School Requirements (select one) | <input type="checkbox"/> AP Government & AP Macroeconomics <input type="checkbox"/> Honors Government & Honors Economics | | | Additional High School Requirements (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> AP Government & AP Macroeconomics <input type="checkbox"/> Honors Government & Honors Economics |
| | Gov/Econ Honors students ONLY | Elective Course (write in 2 choices): | | | Elective Course (write in 2 choices): |
| | Other IB Requirements | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IB TOK 1 & <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IB CAS | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IB TOK 1 & <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IB CAS |

Course Sign-up



Form:

- [IB Junior course selection sheet](#)

Sign up for IGP appointments

- [IGP appointment w. Ms. Porter](#)

Website Information

<https://flora.richlandone.org/international-baccalaureate>



The screenshot shows the AC Flora High School website. The header is red with the school logo and name. The navigation menu includes Home, Faculty & Staff, School Resources, Parent Resources, Activities, Library, School Counseling, Mental & Social Health, and Contact Us. The main content area is titled 'Academics' and lists various resources. The International Baccalaureate section is highlighted, showing the IB logo, the coordinator's name (Mr. Steve Keller), and a description of the program. A sidebar on the left lists additional resources like Enrollment/Admissions, IB Curriculum, Academic Honesty Policy, and more.

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The International Baccalaureate (IB) Program is an academically challenging and balanced program of education with final examinations that prepares students for success at college and life beyond. It has been designed to address the intellectual, social, emotional, and physical well-being of students.

We invite you to learn more about the IB Diploma Program by exploring the information below.

The International Baccalaureate® Organization (IBO) has a wealth of information on our website. Below we have cited some of their information to answer some of AC Flora's most frequently asked questions regarding our IB Programme.

What is IB and how is it different?
International Baccalaureate® (IB) programmes aim to do more than other curricula by developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who are motivated to succeed. Read more about IB, and what it has to offer, by clicking the link below:
[Why is the IB different?](#)

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Final Thoughts and Questions?



- There are many paths to success.
- Whatever you decide for next year and beyond, challenge yourself.
- QR code to IB junior course registration form:

