

MEADOWRIDGE

High School Course Selection

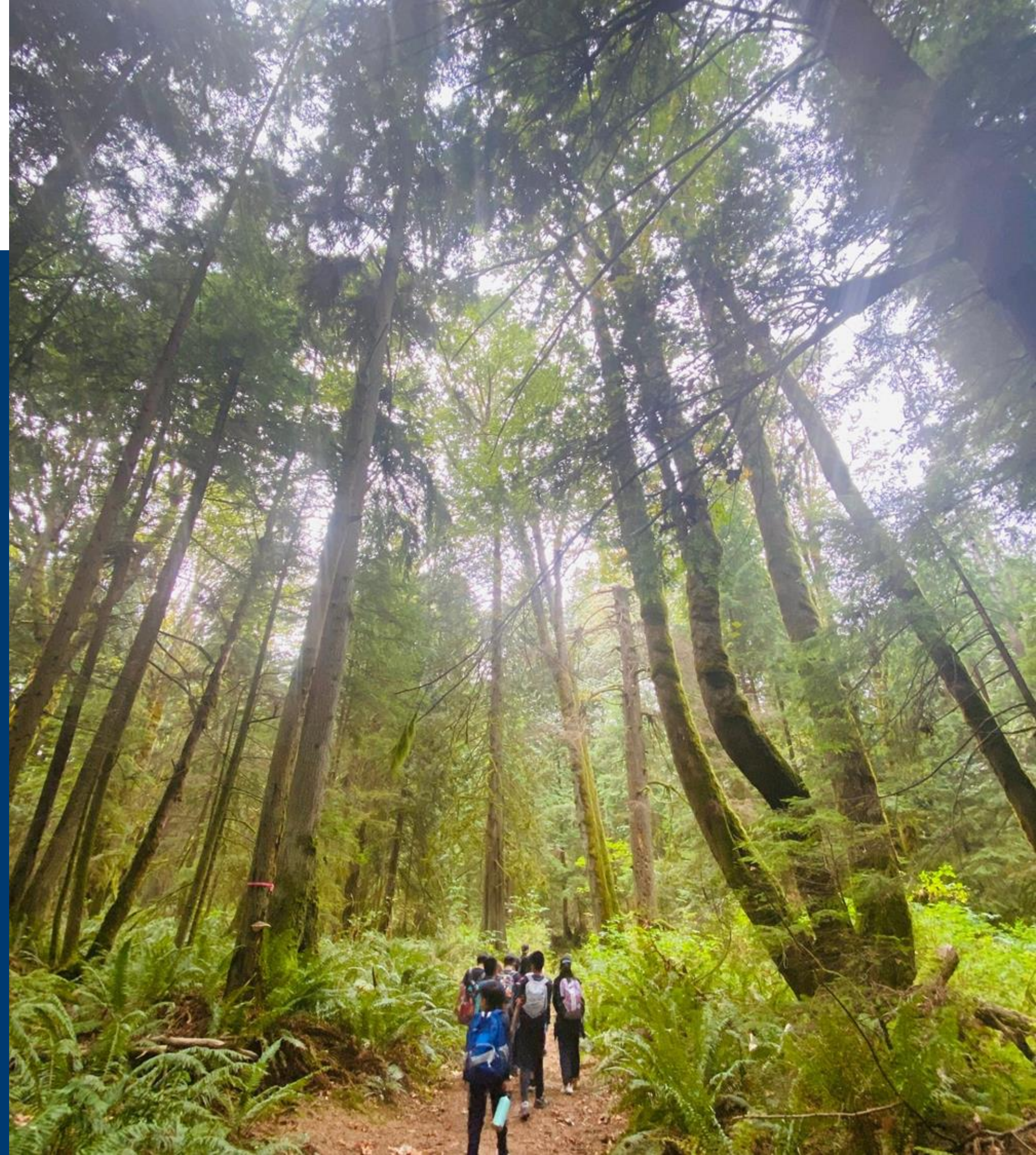


Diploma
Programme



Territory Acknowledgement

Meadowridge School is located on the ancestral, unceded territory of the Katzie Nation, the Kwantlen Nation, and Coast Salish First Nations. We value the opportunity to learn, live, play, and share educational experiences on this traditional land. Meadowridge School is committed to building strong, meaningful relationships and positive partnerships with all the traditional keepers and stewards of this land.





Diploma Programme:

One big question?



HOW WE WILL HELP YOU FIGURE THIS OUT:

1) DP info session
in CLE classes

2) Counselling info
sessions in CLE
classes

3) Parent info night
Jan 21st, 2026

4) Mandarin
parent info session
Jan 23rd, 2026

5) Teacher info
sessions (Advisory
and assembly) Jan
16th, 19th and 22nd

6) Gr 12 student
speed dating - Jan
21st

7) 1:1 counsellor
meetings

8) Subject briefs
and teacher videos

Deadline for subject
selection March 5th,
2026 (forms are due) –
externa courses– Feb
6th



IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IB Diploma and BC Dogwood)

IB CERTIFICATE PATHWAY (IB Certificates + BC Dogwood Diploma)

IB Diploma

Purpose

- One of the most challenging academic programs in the world
- Both paths are designed to equip students with critical thinking, research, and time-management skills required for higher education.
- Students must be highly motivated and enjoy academic challenges, have a strong work ethic, and have great time-management skills

Structure

- Groups 1-6 – 3 Courses at HL and 3 at SL
- Extended Essay, TOK and CAS
- Marks 6 courses out of 7 = 42 + possible 3 points TOK & EE = 45 – also sent as percentages

IB Certificate/Course

Purpose

- Rigour and flexibility of IB courses without completing the full diploma.
- Both paths are designed to equip students with critical thinking, research, and time-management skills
- Students must be highly motivated and enjoy academic challenges, have a strong work ethic, and have great time-management skills

Structure

- Select individual IB courses (HL or SL) – Flexibility in HL and SL courses, generally 2 HL and 4 SL (or BC Ministry course)
- IB Courses are still considered IB courses
- No requirement to complete EE or CAS. The student needs to stay in TOK ** (30 hours career exploration)
- Marks sent as % to universities



DIPLOMA PROGRAMME MODEL





IB GRADE CONVERSION (ISABC)



MYP 1-7 IB Grade	% Conversion	DP 1-7 IB Grade	% Conversion SL	% Conversion HL
7	100	7	100	100
6	95	6	95	97
5	86	5	89	95
4	76	4	85	89
3	66	3	75	85
2	53	2	69	75
1	Less than 44	1	49	49

IB World Average (2025) 30.3 points

Meadowridge Average (2025) 33.4 points

IB World Average for Courses (2025) - 4.93

Meadowridge Average for Courses (2025) - 5.23



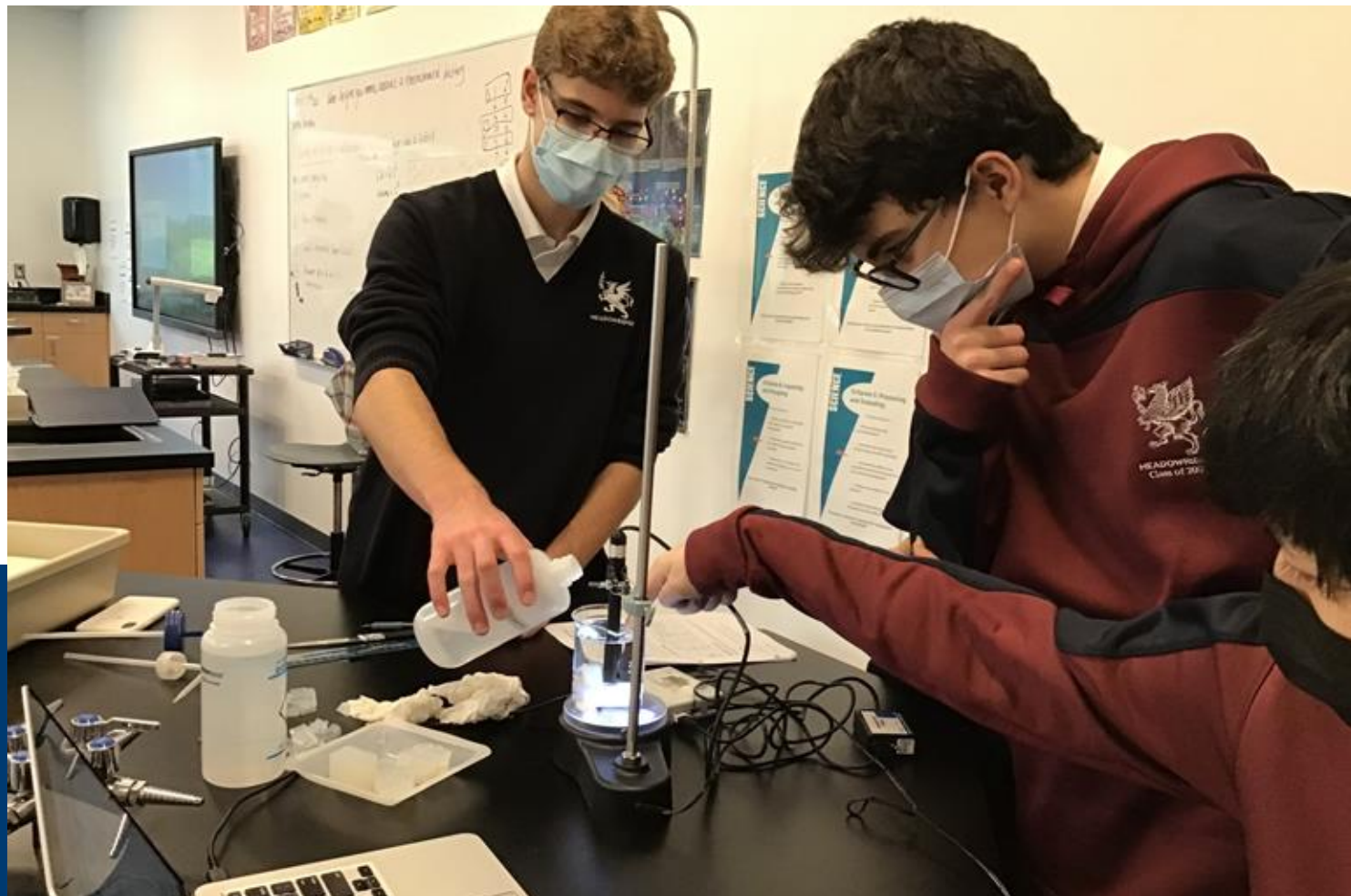
COURSE SELECTION SHOULD:

- Play to a student's strengths and interests
- Satisfy BC graduation requirements
- Satisfy entry requirements of potential post-secondary programs and future career
- Great academic experience in Gr. 11&12
- Maintain a good balance with extra-curricular commitment and a healthy lifestyle





COURSES WITHIN THE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME



Standard Level

- Recommended (150 hours over 2 years)
- All courses are offered at SL
- Material covered meets provincial requirements with some added units
- BC Ministry courses also get the same hours in the timetable as SL Courses



Higher Level

- Recommended (240 hours over 2 years)
- Material studied is at a greater depth and difficulty - up to the end of the first year of university
- Due to the rigour, HL courses get a tax credit as post-secondary course.



COURSES OFFERED FOR 2026-28 COHORT

In-class at Meadowridge

**Group 1: English Language and
Literature HL/SL**

Group 2: French B – HL/SL

Spanish B – HL/SL

Spanish Ab initio SL

Group 3: History HL/SL

Geography HL/SL

Business Management HL/SL

Group 4: Biology HL/SL

Chemistry HL/SL

Physics HL/SL

Group 5: Math: Analysis and

Approaches HL/SL

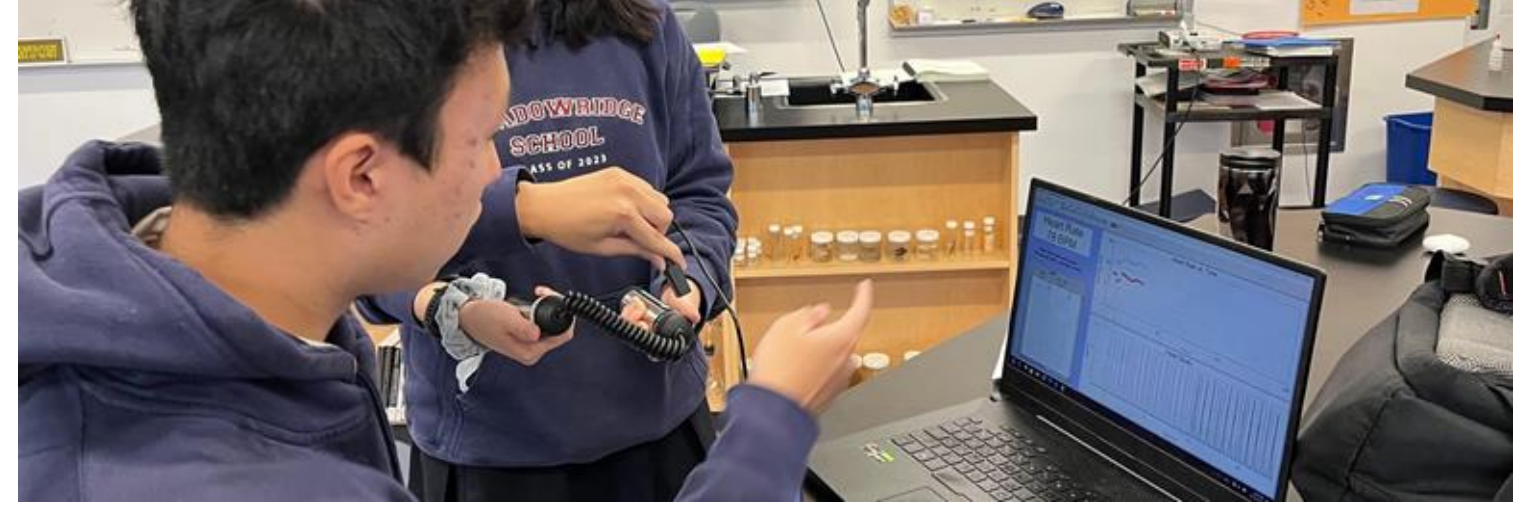
Pre-Calculus 11

Pre-Calculus 12 (new)

Group 6: Visual Arts HL/SL



COURSES OFFERED FOR 2026-28 COHORT (CON'T)



Pamoja

Group 2: Language Acquisition

French ab initio SL

Mandarin ab initio SL

Chinese B

Group 3: Individuals and Societies

Economics HL/SL

Digital Society HL/SL

Philosophy SL

Psychology HL/SL

Group 6: The Arts

Film SL

Language A: Literature SL

School Supported Self-Taught Language (also Pamoja)

19 Languages offered – including Chinese A, French A, Spanish A, Japanese A, Korean A, German A, and Hindi A

***won't be approved for a Pamoja course if we offer the same course here**

You can only take one online or external course



OTHER OPTIONS

Options

- allow students to take subjects not offered at Meadowridge
- require approval from the DP Coordinator/ Associative Principal and Principal based on the student's self-management, initiative, organization and time-management skills
- Costs extra money – 1690 USD for the HL course and 1610 for the SL course

Pamoja

- Virtual class of up to 35 students in an online learning platform with weekly lessons
- Greater selection of courses
- Aligns and meshes well with Manage Bac as it is the same company
- Deadlines are harder to align with the schools

SSST (offered through Pamoja)

- For students whose first language is not taught in our school
- Strong academic history (reading, writing, listening, speaking)
- Pass assessment in these areas before acceptance into the course



What can you do to support your children's social and emotional well-being?

Learning to live well, with others and for others, in a just community.



- Try to ensure they get plenty of sleep
- Encourage them to limit their screen time before bed
- Eat well and exercise
- Provide a quiet area to complete their work and study outside of their bedroom
- Have supportive conversations on how they are doing overall
- Just be there and listen



Diploma Programme:

Final Thoughts or Questions?



THANK YOU

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