

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

North Kansas City Schools



IB DIPLOMA OPTIONS

DP

Diploma Programme



CP

Career-related Programme



TWO OF THE PATHS TO A DIPLOMA OF DISTINCTION IN NKC SCHOOLS

IB COORDINATORS

DP

Mrs. Mitsi Nessa



CP

Dr. Martha DeVries



WHAT CLASSES DO YOU TAKE?

IBDP CLASSES



2026–2027 11TH GRADE – IBDP ENROLLMENT COURSE SELECTION WORKSHEET

First and Last Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Pathway (circle): BLE DIT HAW PAH

Must choose one class from each group (3 HL courses, 3 SL courses)
If you do not wish to enroll in a Group 6 course, you can select two courses from Group 3 or 4.

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature

- ☐ IB Lit HL 1
- ☐ IB Lang & Lit HL 1
- ☐ IB Lang & Lit SL 1

Group 2: Language Acquisition

- ☐ Pre-IB Spanish III
- ☐ IB Spanish SL 1
- ☐ IB Spanish HL 1
- ☐ Pre-IB French III
- ☐ IB French SL 1
- ☐ IB French HL 1
- ☐ OTHER: _____

Group 3: Individuals and Societies

- ☐ IB History SL
- ☐ IB History HL 1
- ☐ IB Psychology SL
- ☐ IB Psychology HL 1
- ☐ IB Social and Cultural Anthropology SL
- ☐ IB Social and Cultural Anthropology HL 1

Group 4: Experimental Sciences

- ☐ IB Biology SL
- ☐ IB Biology HL 1
- ☐ IB Chemistry SL
- ☐ IB Chemistry HL 1
- ☐ IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL
- ☐ IB Environmental Systems & Societies HL 1
- ☐ IB Sports, Exercise, and Health Science SL

Group 5: Mathematics

- ☐ Honors Pre-Calculus
- ☐ IB Math Applications and Interpretation SL 1
- ☐ IB Math Applications and Interpretation SL 2
- ☐ College Calculus I & II

Group 6: Arts and Electives

- ☐ IB Music SL
- ☐ IB Theater SL
- ☐ IB Theater HL 1
- ☐ IB Visual Arts SL
- ☐ IB Visual Arts HL 1

- ☐ IB Design Technology SL
- ☐ IB Business Management SL

IB Core (required)

- ☐ Theory of Knowledge (TOK) - 1

HL 1 courses are 2-year courses.

SL 1 Courses are 2-year courses.

SL Courses are 1-year courses.

IBCP CLASSES



2026–2027 11TH GRADE – IBCP ENROLLMENT COURSE SELECTION WORKSHEET

First and Last Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Pathway: BLE DIT HAW PAH

Choose at least 2 IB courses *and* PPS

One of the courses must be from Group 1: Studies in Language & Literature

Choose non-IB courses (on back) for the rest of your courses.

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature

- ☐ IB Lit HL 1
- ☐ IB Lang & Lit HL 1
- ☐ IB Lang & Lit SL 1

Group 2: Language Acquisition

- ☐ Pre-IB Spanish III
- ☐ IB Spanish SL 1
- ☐ IB Spanish HL 1
- ☐ Pre-IB French III
- ☐ IB French SL 1
- ☐ IB French HL 1

Group 3: Individuals and Societies

- ☐ IB History SL
- ☐ IB History HL 1
- ☐ IB Psychology SL
- ☐ IB Psychology HL 1
- ☐ IB Social and Cultural Anthropology SL
- ☐ IB Social and Cultural Anthropology HL 1

Group 4: Experimental Sciences

- ☐ IB Biology SL
- ☐ IB Biology HL 1
- ☐ IB Chemistry SL
- ☐ IB Chemistry HL 1
- ☐ IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL
- ☐ IB Environmental Systems & Societies HL 1
- ☐ IB Sports, Exercise, and Health Science SL

Group 5: Mathematics

- ☐ IB Math Applications and Interpretation SL 1
- ☐ Honors Pre-Calculus
- ☐ IB Math Applications and Interpretation SL 2
- ☐ College Calculus I & II

Group 6: Arts and Electives

- ☐ IB Music SL
- ☐ IB Theater SL
- ☐ IB Theater HL 1
- ☐ IB Visual Arts SL
- ☐ IB Visual Arts HL 1
- ☐ IB Business Management SL
- ☐ IB Design Technology SL

IB Core (required)

- ☐ Personal and Professional Skills (PPS) 1

SL courses are 1-year long

SL 1 courses are 2-year courses

HL 1 courses are 2-year courses

Career-related Studies from Which to Choose (must have one junior and senior year)

PLTW Biomedical Science (HAW)

- ☐ Coll Principles of Biomedical Science
- ☐ Coll Human Body Systems
- ☐ Coll Medical Interventions
- ☐ Therapy and Brain Studies

Business & Marketing (BLE)

- ☐ Foundations of Business
- ☐ Intro to Media Marketing
- ☐ Business Communications
- ☐ Marketing Principles I
- ☐ College Entrepreneurship

PLTW Computer Science (DIT)

- ☐ Coll Comp Science Essentials
- ☐ AP Coll Comp Science Principles
- ☐ Coll Cyber Security

Creative Design Pathway (DIT)

- ☐ Creative Design I
- ☐ Creative Design II
- ☐ Creative Design III

Communication/Journalism (PAH)

- ☐ Journalism 1
- ☐ Journalism 1 Photography
- ☐ Journalism 1 Broadcast
- ☐ Journalism 2 Digital Content Creation
- ☐ Journalism 2 Yearbook
- ☐ Journalism 2 Broadcast
- ☐ Journalism 2 Sports Broadcasting
- ☐ Journalism 3 Digital Laboratory

Culinary Arts (PAH)

- ☐ Foods for Life (.5)
- ☐ International Foods (.5)
- ☐ Pro Start Foods Level I
- ☐ Pro Start Foods Level II

PLTW Engineering (DIT)

- ☐ Coll Intro Engineering Design
- ☐ Coll Principles of Engineering
- ☐ Coll Civil Engineering & Architecture
- ☐ Coll Digital Electronics

Teaching/Education (PAH)

- ☐ Child Development I (.5)
- ☐ Child Development II (.5)
- ☐ Coll Intro to Teaching

IBDP

Well-rounded/Liberal Arts
Best preparation program for college

IB courses in 6 different areas
of study

3 Standard Level (SL) &
3 Higher Level (HL)

Theory of Knowledge

Exam/Portfolio at end of each

IBCP

Biomedical Sciences, Journalism, Engineering, Teaching,
Computer Science, Culinary Arts,
Business, Creative Design

IB Courses* in at least 2
different areas of study

*1 must span 2 years

Personal and Professional Skills

Career-related Study
(grades 11/12)

Exam/Portfolio at end of each



NKCHS IB COURSES

GROUP

1

STUDIES IN
LANG & LIT

GROUP

2

LANGUAGE
ACQUISITION

GROUP

3

INDIVIDUALS
& SOCIETIES

GROUP

4

EXPERIMENTAL
SCIENCES

GROUP

5

MATHEMATICS

GROUP

6

ARTS &
ELECTIVES

Literature
HL

Language &
Literature
SL/HL

Spanish
SL/HL

French
SL/HL

History SL/HL

Psychology
SL/HL

Social &
Cultural
Anthropology
SL/HL

Biology
SL/HL

Chemistry
SL/HL

Environmental
Systems &
Societies SL/HL
Sports, Exercise
& Health Science
SL

Math Analysis
& Approaches
SL or HL

Math
Applications &
Interpretation
SL

Music SL

Theater SL/HL

Visual Art SL
/HL

Business Mgmt
SL

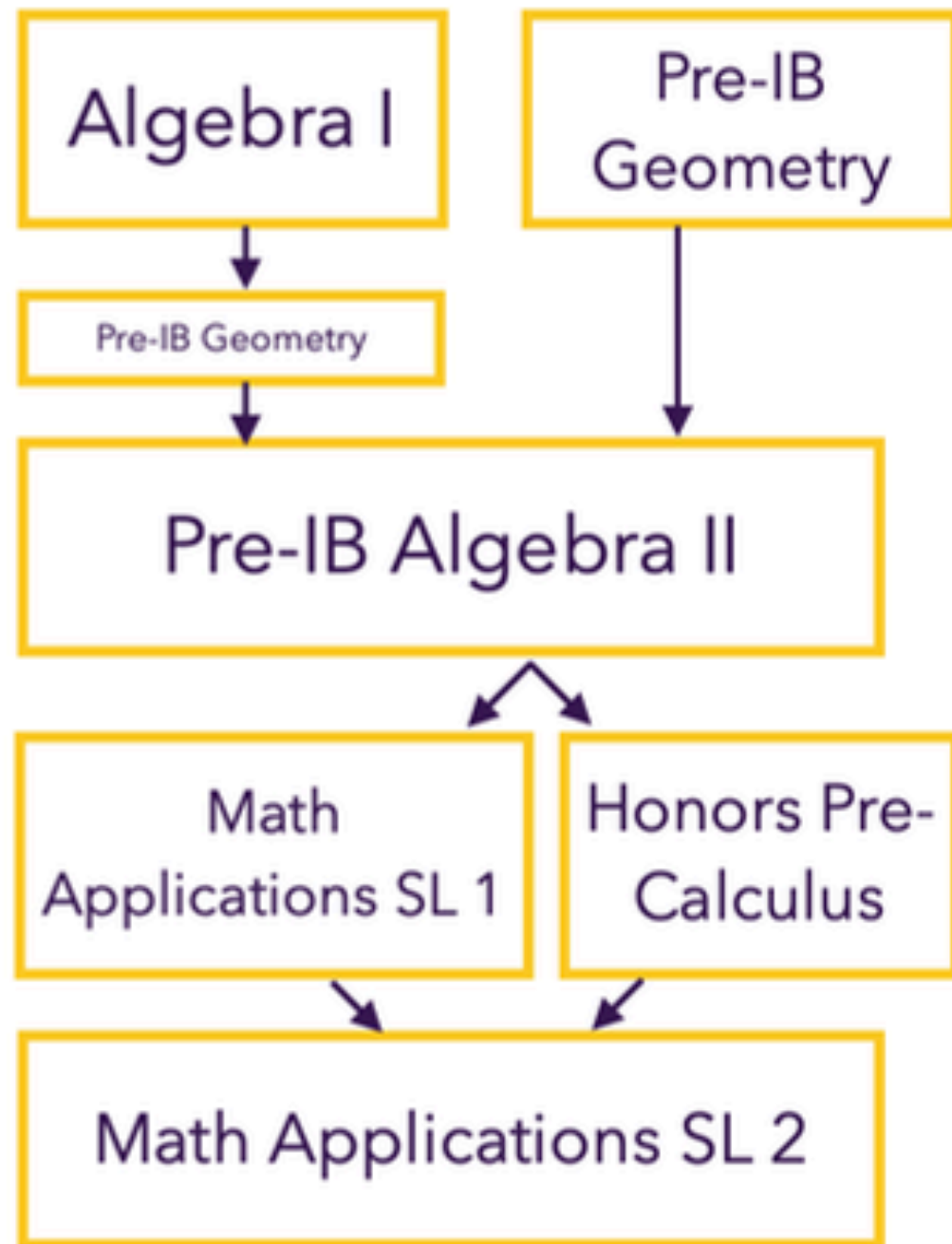
Design
Technology SL



IB Math Course Sequence



Goal: SL Math Applications and Interpretation



9th Grade

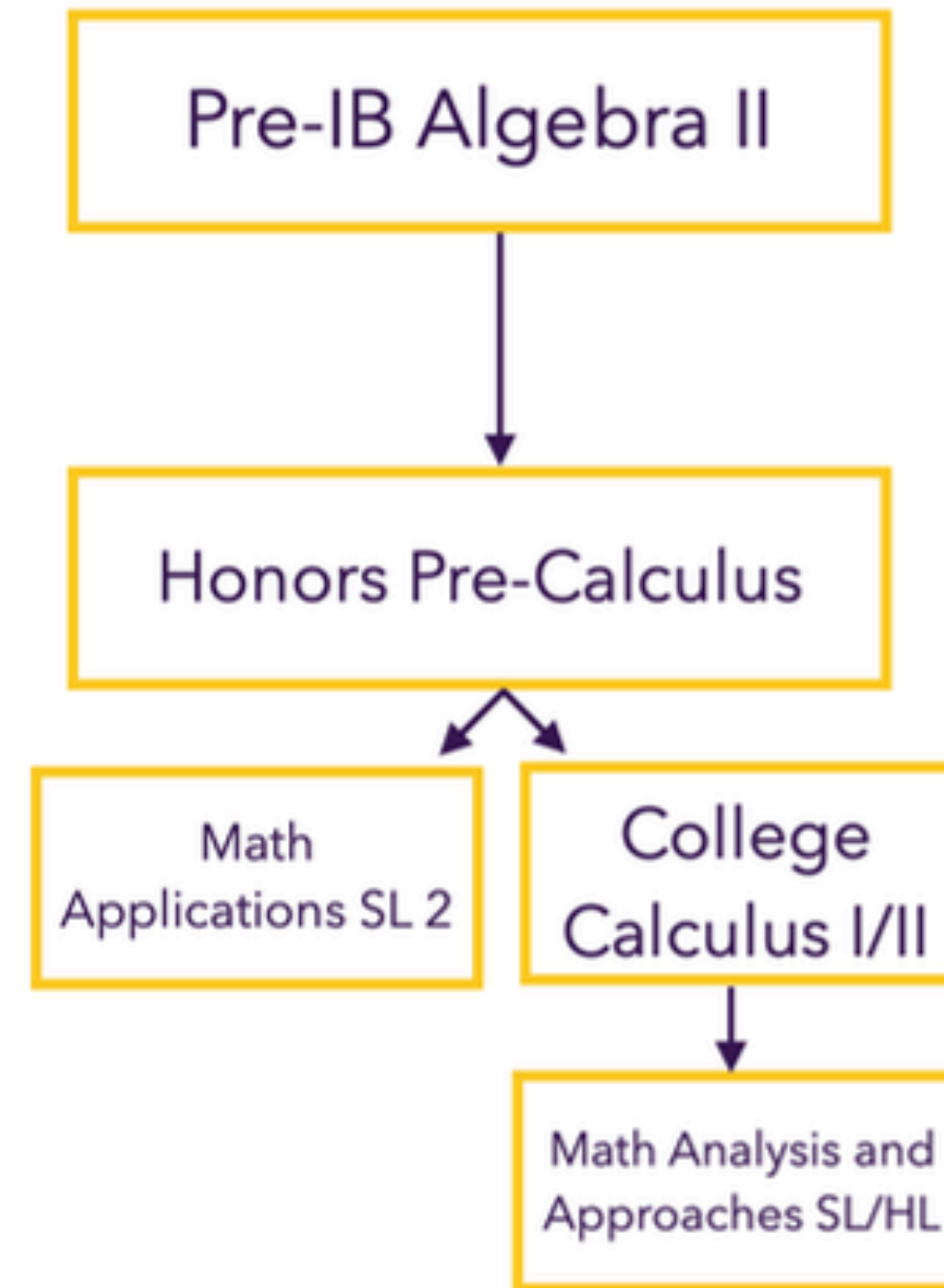
Summer

10th Grade

11th Grade

12th Grade

Goal: SL/HL Math Analysis and Approaches



Additional Recommended math courses: College Algebra, AP Statistics

MATH SEQUENCE



IB Global Language Sequence



LANGUAGE SEQUENCE

Starting in 8th grade

Pre-IB French/Spanish I



Pre-IB French/Spanish II



Pre-IB French/Spanish III



French/Spanish SL/HL 1



French/Spanish SL/HL 2

8th Grade

9th Grade

10th Grade

11th Grade

12th Grade

Starting in 9th grade

No Global Language

Pre-IB French/Spanish I



Pre-IB French/Spanish II



Pre-IB French/Spanish III



French/Spanish SL 2

Strongly suggested that all IB students test in 12th grade

LANGUAGE B COURSES



AVERAGE SCORES

FRENCH: 4.64 (OUT OF 7)

SPANISH: 4.50 (OUT OF 7)

LANGUAGE A COURSES



LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE HL
LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE SL
LITERATURE HL

EXAMPLE IBDP SCHEDULES

DO YOU SEE ALL REQUIRED CLASSES?

IB French HL 1 Nguyen, Tuan M 315 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	IB History HL 1 Bailey, Aaron B 338 07:43 AM - 09:22 AM
Advisory 11 Nguyen, Tuan M 315 09:03 AM - 10:03 AM	IB Psychology HL 1 Walter, Payton B 144 09:22 AM - 11:01 AM
Chamber Orchestra Yoder, Sheree A 109 10:03 AM - 11:28 AM	
IB English A Lang & Lit HL1 Lehman, Diana B 140 11:49 AM - 01:14 PM	IB Theory of Knowledge Research 1 Nguyen, Tuan M 315 11:22 AM - 01:01 PM
IB Math Appl and Interp SL-2 Knudsen, Tessa M 321 01:14 PM - 02:40 PM	IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL Araiza, Margarita A 203 01:01 PM - 02:40 PM

IB Theory of Knowledge Research 1 Nguyen, Tuan M 315 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	Pre IB Honors French III Hughes, Donald M 317 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM
Coll Calculus II McCullough, Christopher B 140 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM	Coll Medical Interventions - PLTW Gralheer, Tyler B 243 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM
IB English A Lang & Lit HL1 Loveall, Ashley B 142 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL Araiza, Margarita A 203 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
IB Biology HL 1 Gomez Gonzalez, Fabian B 343 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	IB Psychology SL Walter, Payton M 241 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

EXAMPLE IBCP SCHEDULES

PAH

Coll Introduction to Teaching Miller, Phillip B 136 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	AVID 11 Strack, Michelle M 115 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM
Pre IB Honors French II Hughes, Donald M 317 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM	IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I  Ganey, Colleen A 302 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM
Advisory 11 Hayes, Yvonne M 306 10:23 AM - 11:39 AM	Advisory 11 Hayes, Yvonne M 306 10:23 AM - 11:39 AM
IB Social and Cult Anthropology SL Miller, Phillip B 136 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	Coll Algebra Potter, Alexandra A 102 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
AP / Coll Government Allen, Jason M 103 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	IB English A Lang & Lit HL1 Barnes, Joseph M 123 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

IB English A Lang & Lit HL1 Loveall, Ashley B 142 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	Pre IB Honors Algebra II Belton, Heidi M 221 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM
Journalism 1 Aubrey, Paul M 308 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM	IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I  Nguyen, Tuan M 315 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM
Advisory 11 Araiza, Margarita A203 10:23 AM - 11:39 AM	Advisory 11 Araiza, Margarita A203 10:23 AM - 11:39 AM
IB Social and Cult Anthropology HL 1 Miller, Phillip B 136 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	Coll Fund of Effective Speaking Gomez Gonzalez, Fabian B 340 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL Araiza, Margarita A 203 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	Stagecraft Cunningham, Lacy A 310 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

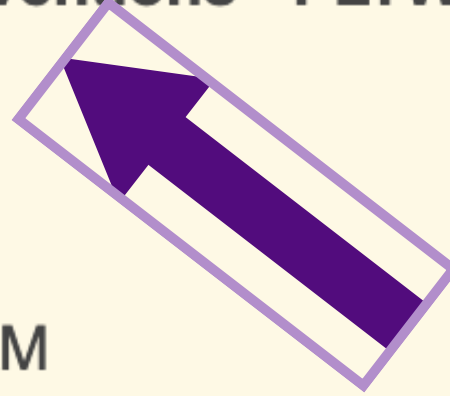
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Coll Medical Interventions - PLTW

Gralheer, Tyler

B 243

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IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I

 Ganey, Colleen

M 113

07:43 AM - 09:03 AM

Pre IB Honors Spanish III

Rainey, Charlotte

M 334

09:03 AM - 10:23 AM

AP Statistics

Fillingham, Matthew

M 209

09:03 AM - 10:23 AM

IB English A Lang & Lit HL1

Loveall, Ashley

B 142

12:00 PM - 01:20 PM

Symphonic Band

 Hasek, Anthony

A 109

12:00 PM - 01:20 PM

IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL

Araiza, Margarita

A 203

01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

IB Psychology HL 1

Walter, Payton

M 241

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NCAPS Medicine and Healthcare  Self, Kelley 07:43 AM - 10:23 AM	NCAPS Medicine and Healthcare  Self, Kelley 07:43 AM - 10:23 AM
Algebra II Knudsen, Tessa M 321 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	IB Psychology HL 1 Walter, Payton M 241 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I  Nguyen, Tuan M 315 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	IB English A: Literature HL-1 Durrill, Kerry M 313 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

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IB English A Lang & Lit HL1 Barnes, Joseph M 123 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	AVID 11 Strack, Michelle M 115 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM
Coll Civil Engineering and Arch - PLTW Clark, Jeanella A 106 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM	IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I  Nguyen, Tuan M 315 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM
AP / Coll Government Allen, Jason M 103 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	Pre IB Honors Algebra II Diebold, Lanie M 207 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
Strength & Conditioning I  Bouchard, Faizol WT RM 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	IB Sports, Exercise and Health Science McSparin, Tyler B 334 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

Advanced Fashion Product Development Mondello, Paola M 245 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	Creative Design III Schenk, Lillie M 333 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM
Pre IB Honors Spanish II Ford, Joseph M 336 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM	IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I  Ganey, Colleen A 302 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM
IB English A Lang & Lit HL1 Loveall, Ashley B 142 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	AP / Coll Government Allen, Jason M 103 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
IB Chemistry SL Squires, Edmond B 341 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	IB Math Appl and Interp SL-1 Knudsen, Tessa M 321 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

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IB English A: Literature HL-1 Durrill, Kerry M 313 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM	Coll Algebra Potter, Alexandra A 102 07:43 AM - 09:03 AM
Coll MKT Entrepreneurship Kreiling, Andrew M217 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM	Strength & Conditioning I Joiner, Daniel WT RM 09:03 AM - 10:23 AM
Leadership 👤 Taylor, Andrea B 344 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM	IB Social and Cult Anthropology HL 1 Taylor, Andrea B 344 12:00 PM - 01:20 PM
IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I 👤 Nguyen, Tuan M 315 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM	Environmental Science Carr, Lillian B 234 01:20 PM - 02:40 PM

B L E

IB English A: Literature HL-1
Durrill, Kerry

M 313
07:43 AM - 09:03 AM

IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL
Araiza, Margarita

A 203
07:43 AM - 09:03 AM

Art I
Croft, Maggie

M 335
09:03 AM - 10:23 AM

IBCP Personal and Professional Skills I
 Ganey, Colleen

A 302
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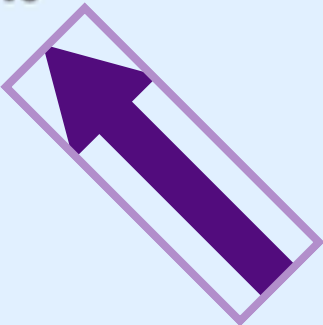
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Coll Business Management
Kreiling, Andrew

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**NOW FOR THE
CORE
OF EACH PROGRAM!**

IBDP - The "Core"



TOK - Theory of Knowledge

A course taken during the 11th and 12th grade years that explores the question, "How do we know what we know?"

CAS - Creativity, Activity, Service

IBDP students commit themselves to exploring their creative talents/interests, keeping their bodies active, and contributing to their local and global community.



EE - Extended Essay

Students write a 4,000-word research paper during grades 11 and 12 over an IB topic of choice, guided by a staff mentor.

IBCP - The "Core"

PPS - Personal & Professional Skills



A course taken in 11th and 12th grades that helps students develop attitudes, skills and strategies to be applied to personal and professional situations and contexts now and in the future.

CE - Community Engagement



The development and application of knowledge and skills towards meeting a community's needs.

LCS - Language and Cultural Studies

Ensures all students a personalized learning journey that focuses on exploring and expanding linguistic and cultural repertoires.



RP - Reflective Project



An in-depth body of work wherein students identify, analyze, critically discuss and evaluate a career-related dilemma.

CAN YOU STILL BE
INVOLVED?



**WHY SHOULD I PURSUE AN
IB DIPLOMA?**

WHAT DOES IB DO FOR YOU?

1

Curiosity and
Self-Confidence

2

Global Thinking
and Cultural
Sensitivity

3

Capacity for
Independent
Research and
Study

4

Strong Thinking
and
Communication
Skills

5

Time
Management,
Persistence, and
Grit Strategies

6

Preparation to
Accept Any
Educational
Challenges

7

Scholarships
and
Acceptance



COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE



University	General Population Acceptance Rate	IBDP Acceptance Rate	IB Student Advantage (Estimated)
Stanford University	4.65%	17%	+12%
Harvard University	5.1%	12.2%	+7%
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	7.2%	23.1%	+16%
University of Chicago	7.9%	60.3%	+52%
Johns Hopkins University	11.4%	46%	+34%
Duke University	9%	36.2%	+27%
Northwestern University	9%	48.8%	+40%
UCLA	18%	41.4%	+23%
University of Texas	39%	81.5%	+43%
New York University	33%	46.8%	+13.8%

RESOURCE: CRIMSON EDUCATION

COLLEGE CREDIT



English A: Literature HL	4	English Lit	3
English A: Language & Literature HL	4	English Lit	3

Spanish SL	4	SPAN 1200	4
	5	SPAN 2100	4
	6	SPAN 2160	3

Psychology SL	4	Psych 1000	3
Psychology HL	4	Psych 1000	3
Social Anthropology SL	4	Anthro BEH	3
	6	Anthro 2030	3
Social Anthropology HL	4	Anthro 2030	3

Biology SL & HL	4	Bio Sci 1030	5
	5	Bio Sci 1500	5
Chemistry SL	4	Chem 1100	3
Chemistry HL	4	Chem 1100	3
	6	Chem 1400, 1401, 1410 & 1411	8
Environmental Systems & Societies SL	4	GEOL PSC	3

Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL	4	Math 1160	5
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL	5	Math 1160 + 1500	10
Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation SL	4	Math 1050	3

Theater Arts SL & HL	4	Theater Humanities	3
Music SL & HL	4	MUSIC_NM 1211 & MUSIC_NM 1300	3

**STUDENTS SHOULD TURN IN
COMPLETED AND SIGNED
ENROLLMENT FORMS TO
SOMEONE IN THE IB PROGRAM
BY FRIDAY**

QUESTIONS

