



The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme encourages students to make practical connections between their studies and the real world. The MYP curriculum teaches the state standards (TEKS) through a challenging framework comprised of eight subject groups. Holistically, these subjects provide a broad and balanced education for middle school learners. Currently, the IB MYP is offered at Benjamin Franklin International Exploratory Academy, Hector P. Garcia Middle School, J.L. Long Middle School, Alex Sanger Preparatory and Shirley Ison-Newsom Montessori Academy at Harry Stone.

Middle Years Programme (MYP)

Subject	Overview
Language Acquisition	Language Acquisition is the study of languages and provides insights into the features, processes and craft of language and the concept of culture. Language Acquisition guides students to the realization that there are diverse ways of living, viewing and behaving in the world.
Language and Literature	Language and Literature develops skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, and presenting. Inquiry is at the heart of this course which provides students with opportunities to independently and collaboratively investigate, act and reflect on their learning.
Individuals and Societies	In this course, students collect, describe and analyze data used in studies of societies, test hypotheses, and learn how to interpret complex information from original source material. Students focus on real-world examples, research, and analysis.
Sciences	Science courses encourage students to investigate real examples of science application. Students discover the interconnection of science, morality, ethics, culture, economics, politics, and the environment.
Mathematics	Mathematics courses promote inquiry, application, problem solving skills that are useful beyond the classroom. Students learn how to represent information, explore and model situations, and find solutions to familiar and unfamiliar problems.
Arts	Through practice, students in the Arts acquire and master skills through creating, performing, and presenting art in a way that convey feelings, experiences, and ideas.
Physical and Health Education	In Physical and Health Education courses empower students to understand and appreciate the value of being physically active and to develop the motivation for healthy life choices.
Design	The design courses challenge students to apply practical and creative thinking skills to solve problems and take action while considering historical and contemporary contexts.



The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme (DP) is currently offered at Hillcrest High School, Woodrow Wilson High School, Adamson High School and Haynes Global Preparatory. Students must be accepted into the IB Diploma Programme through the Dallas Choice application process.

IB DP Pathway

Grades 9-10

Students participating in the IB Diploma Programme will be enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) and/or Advanced courses to help prepare them for the rigor of the Diploma Programme.

Grades 11-12

Along with completing state and local requirements, students in the IB DP will take one course from each of the six IB subject groups. Students will take three IB courses at a higher level (HL), three IB courses at a standard level (SL), and the Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course. All IB courses are typically taught over 2 years during 11th and 12th grade. A full IB Diploma student must enroll in the course at the beginning of their 11th grade year. IB students take internal and external IBO assessments.

Course Sequence

IB Subject Groups	9th	10th	11th	12th
Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature (English)	Advanced English	Advanced English	IB English HL	IB English HL
Group 2: Language Acquisition (Foreign Language)	Spanish or French	Spanish or French	IB Spanish SL/HL or IB French SL/HL <i>*Ab Initio offerings</i>	IB Spanish SL/HL or IB French SL/HL <i>*Ab Initio offerings</i>
Group 3: Individuals and Societies (History / Social Studies)	AP or Advanced Social Studies	AP or Advanced Social Studies	IB History of the Americas HL	IB History of the Americas HL
Group 4: Sciences	Advanced Science	Advanced Science	IB Science SL/HL	IB Science SL/HL
Group 5: Mathematics	Advanced Math	Advanced Math	IB Math SL/HL	IB Math SL/HL
Group 6: Arts/Electives	Required or Choice Electives	Required or Choice Electives	IB Visual or Performing Arts SL/HL IB Elective SL/HL	IB Visual or Performing Arts SL/HL IB Elective SL/HL
IB Core	Required or Choice Electives	Required or Choice Electives	TOK I	TOK II

Only schools authorized by the IB Organization can offer any of its four academic programmes: the Primary Years Programme (PYP), the Middle Years Programme (MYP), the Diploma Programme, or the Career-related Programme (CP). For further information about the IB and its programmes, visit www.ibo.org.