

Salt Lake City School District
International Baccalaureate
Program

WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM?

The IB Program is a challenging four to two-year curriculum for grades nine through twelve. It leads to a qualification that is widely recognized by the world's leading universities. Students learn more than a collection of facts. The Diploma Program prepares students for university and encourages them to:

- ask challenging questions
- learn how to learn
- develop a strong sense of their own identity and culture
- develop an ability to communicate with and understand people from other countries and cultures.

All students regardless of gender, race, culture, or family income are eligible to apply.

IS THIS PROGRAM FOR MY STUDENT?

You should consider applying for this program if several or most of the following describe you:

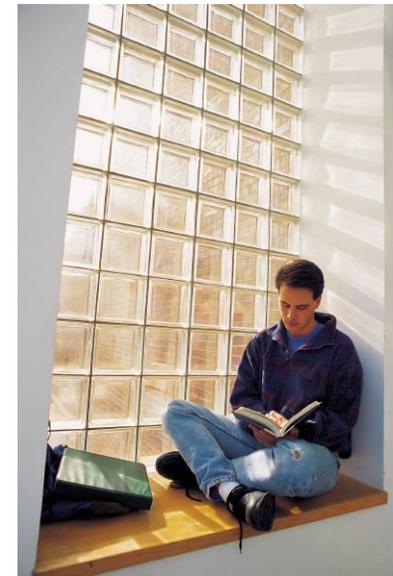
- Ⓢ Enjoys challenging curriculum
- Ⓢ Passionate about reading
- Ⓢ Loves to learn
- Ⓢ Enjoys Socratic discussions
- Ⓢ Has a good memory
- Ⓢ Shows passion in an area of interest
- Ⓢ Has a grade point average of 3.5 or above

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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM (IB)

Salt Lake City School District offers three IB program options at West High School for students who have a high interest in challenging global curriculum.

WEST HIGH PREPARATORY

The West High Preparatory International Baccalaureate Program provides 9th and 10th grade students challenging curriculum in preparation for the rigors of the IB Diploma Program. West High Pre-IB students are involved in advanced coursework in mathematics, reading, science, social studies, and world languages.

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAM:

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Program is a challenging two-year curriculum for students in 11th and 12th grade. It leads to a qualification that is widely recognized by the world's leading universities.

The curriculum contains six subject groups together with a core made up of three separate parts. Students study six subjects selected from the subject groups. Normally three subjects are studied at higher level (courses representing 240 teaching hours), and the remaining three subjects are studied at standard level (courses representing 150 teaching hours).

All three parts of the core—extended essay, theory of knowledge and creativity, action, service—are compulsory and are central to the philosophy of the Diploma Program.



At the end of the two-year program, students are assessed both internally and externally in ways that measure individual performance against stated objectives for each subject.

IB is widely recognized by the world's leading universities. IB works closely with universities in all regions of the world to gain recognition for the IB diploma. To aid this process, university admissions officers and government officials have direct online access to all syllabuses and recent examinations. To assist IB diploma students in making appropriate choices, the organization holds a database containing contact details of universities around the world together with up-to-date information about their requirements for admission.

IB COURSE PROGRAM:

The IB course program is designed for candidates taking one or more subjects who are not seeking the award of the IB diploma. Course candidates receive a certificate indicating the results obtained in individual subjects.

There are three factors which explain the excellence of the IB program at West. First, the IB curriculum provides a sound foundation in six major disciplines while encouraging deep and profound exploration. Second, it requires taking risks. Finally, West High School, because of its stellar faculty and diverse population is an ideal place for the IB program.

— IB Student

HOW DO STUDENTS APPLY FOR IB?

If you are interested in more information about the IB program in the Salt Lake City School District (SLCSD), please contact the IB Department at 578-8285 or 578-8573. West High IB Information and the West High IB application is available at <http://west.slcschools.org/academics/international-baccalaureate/>

