

Alexander Academy - IB Candidate School

We are pleased to announce that as of June 2016, we are a candidate school for the International Baccalaureate program with the intention to offer the Diploma Program in September 2018 as an IB World School.

Alexander Academy is committed to internationalism and fostering a sense of global citizenship as well as creating a safe and rich learning environment for all students. Alexander Academy embraces technology as a fundamental tool for enhancing learning in the 21st century.

We are dedicated to providing educational programs that inspire students to follow independent paths to success. Our teachers are committed to ensuring that each student has the opportunity to challenge themselves academically, enabling them to reach their personal level of academic excellence. For these reasons, becoming an IB school is a natural fit.



The IB Diploma Program (DP)

The IB Diploma Program (DP) is an academically challenging and balanced program designed for students in grades 11 and 12.

The Diploma Program courses focus on creativity, innovation, self-discipline, and the ability to function as part of a team. These capabilities are embedded in our programs in an international context. They give students the perspectives of other cultures, societies and countries, and teach them how they can engage with their peers.

All of these features help prepare students to be college and career ready in an increasingly global society.







Benefits of taking IB Courses

The IB Diploma is possibly the most distinguished academic credential a high school student can earn. IB courses provide students with the solid, well-rounded education they will need to succeed in our highly competitive global society.

Those who complete the Diploma Program enjoy a competitive edge in admission to any college or university in the world. IB graduates report that taking IB classes helped them immensely. Students learn how to prioritize, focus, write, and think. IB graduates feel well-prepared to tackle almost any assignment that comes their way while pursuing post-secondary education.

In addition, students who receive good scores on IB exams, often receive advanced placement and university credit. In fact, many students who pursue the full IB Diploma are able to enter university as sophomores.

The Curriculum

The IB Diploma Program is made up of six subject groups and the DP core – comprising theory of knowledge (TOK), creativity, activity, service (CAS) and the extended essay (EE).

The Core

Theory of Knowledge (TOK)

This course encompasses major topics in philosophy, language, civilization, and culture.

Creativity, Action, Service (CAS)

Students spend several hours on extracurricular activities; a portion of which must involve service to the local and international community.

The Extended Essay (EE)

Students engage in an independent research through an in-depth study on a topic chosen from one of the six subject areas or they may combine subject areas, to create a cross-curricular research project.

Diploma Program Options

Full IB Diploma Program

Diploma candidates are enrolled in all courses and tests required to obtain the IB Diploma.

Six major areas of study

Group 1: Studies in language and literature

The language and literature course features British and American literature along with works in translation from other world cultures.

Group 2: Language acquisition

Alexander Academy will offer world language options such as Mandarin and French.

Group 3: Individuals and societies

World History and European History will be offered to students. They may also take IB Psychology and IB Business Management as additional Group 3 subjects.

Group 4: Sciences

Students may take Biology, Chemistry, Physics and / or Environmental Systems and Societies.

Group 5: Mathematics

Students will have two options: Mathematics for students interested in math and science; and Math Studies for the humanities-minded students.

Group 6: The Arts

Students may choose to take Visual Arts or Music. Students are also given the option to choose a second subject in groups 2, 3 or 4.

