

# ALEXANDER MACKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

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# **IB Newsletter - Alexander Mackenzie High School**

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## Dear Parents/Guardians:

Hope you are doing well. In this newsletter, you will find some relevant information and updates about our IB program at AMHS.

## **IB** info night

IB information night will be held during the evening of **October 10th**, **2024**. This evening is focussed on providing information for Gr. 8 students and their families about our application process for the upcoming school year.

The evening will start at 7:00 pm. Similar to last year, we are also providing an opportunity for visiting families to walk around our school building and speak to some IB subject teachers who can answer specific questions about the subjects. This optional self-paced tour is taking place from 6:00 to 6:45pm.

#### Gr. 9 Orientation (October 1, after school)

The IB Council (A student leadership group by our IB students) organized a meet and greet to our Gr. 9 pre-IB students on October 1st after school in the library. Many students attended this meet and greet and the feedback was positive. They learned more about the structure of our IB program and this event allowed Gr. 9 pre-IB students to build connections with senior IB students who can help them in many ways through the IB journey at AMHS.







# DP Program (Gr. 11 and 12)

This newsletter includes some general information about the May 2024 Exam Results. During May of the last school year, students wrote IB exams in all subjects.

Our IB students did very well in the past, including last school year. Each of the 6 subjects is worth a maximum of 7 points (level 1 to 7), and 3 additional points will be awarded towards TOK and EE. Maximum of IB Diploma is 45.

Global statistic (May 2024) - Out of 121,912 students in the Diploma Program world-wide:

DP diploma results								
Pass rate	Mean grade	Mean total points						
80.1%	4.9	30.3						

# School statistic (May 2024):

School statistics	
Average points obtained by candidates who passed the diploma:	35
Highest diploma points awarded to a candidate:	41
Average grade obtained at the school by candidates who passed the diploma:	5.38

# Pass rate (Class of 2024) is 100%

	Grade					Average grade (school)	Average grade (world-wide)		
Subject	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
Group 1: English A: Literature HL		14%	53%	33%				4.80	4.76
Group 2: French B SL	23%	43%	27%	7%				5.83	5.10
Group 3: History Americas HL	7%	47%	46%					5.60	4.26
Group 4: Chemistry HL	17%	27%	27%	26%	3%			5.27	4.70
Group 5: Math AA SL	53%	29%	14%	4%				6.31	4.55
Group 6: Biology SL	41%	37%	19%		3%			6.11	4.19
Group 6: Physics SL	52%	44%	4%					6.48	4.24

We will soon meet with the Gr. 11 DP1 students about their CAS and EE components of the program. These are important and required components for graduating with an IB Diploma. We encourage parents/guardians to converse with their child regularly about the progress in CAS and EE once they have started.

#### **IB Q&A virtual meeting**

We are pleased to let you know that there will be a virtual Q&A meeting about the IB program at AMHS. We will review the basic IB program structures and answer some of the common questions about our program.

Date: Tuesday October 15th, 2024

Time: 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Google meet link: https://meet.google.com/peq-eduq-akr

Special thanks to Violet Zeng from AMHS School Council for initiating this virtual meeting opportunity for IB parents.

Thank you for your attention and continued support of the IB Programme at AMHS. If there are any specific questions about the IB program, please contact me directly by phone or Email.

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