

Welcome to Alexander Mackenzie High School

International Baccalaureate Programme
Grade 8 Parent Information Evening
Tuesday, October 17, 2017

The IB Programme

Principal: Otilia Olteanu



Land Acknowledgement

The IB Mission statement says:

“The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.”

To that end, it is important for us to understand our local area and the first peoples of the land.

We acknowledge the land we are on and thank the First Peoples of the Toronto Treaty First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples for sharing this land with us. We would also like to acknowledge the Mississauga of the New Credit Nation and, specifically for Alexander Mackenzie High School, the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, as our closest community and partners in education. This understanding is a starting point for cultural awareness, respect for Indigenous peoples and our path to reconciliation.



AGENDA

Welcome and Greetings

IB Programme and
Course Overview/Pathways

Online Registration Process

Q & A Session

Thank you

- Sarit Abramovich-Head of Special Education
- Cathy Clarke- Head of Theatre Arts
- Michael Cohen-Superintendent of Education
- George Ellinas-Vice Principal
- Fargol Firouzchian-Biology Teacher
- Lana Fisher-Head of Guidance
- Katherine Gross-EE Coordinator
- Eric Hudspith-Head of Music

Thank you

- Sheila Juma-Head of French
- Benjamin Law-Physics Teacher
- Jay Perri-Vice Principal
- Nazila Reyhani-IB Coordinator
- Susan Romeo-Spec. Ed. Resource Teacher
- Stacey Sadacharan-Head of Science
- Benny Wong-Mathematics Teacher

The IB Programme

Superintendent: Michael Cohen

Student Achievement and School Operations

CEC Central



The IB Diploma Programme

IB Coordinator: Nazila Reyhani



The International Baccalaureate Programme

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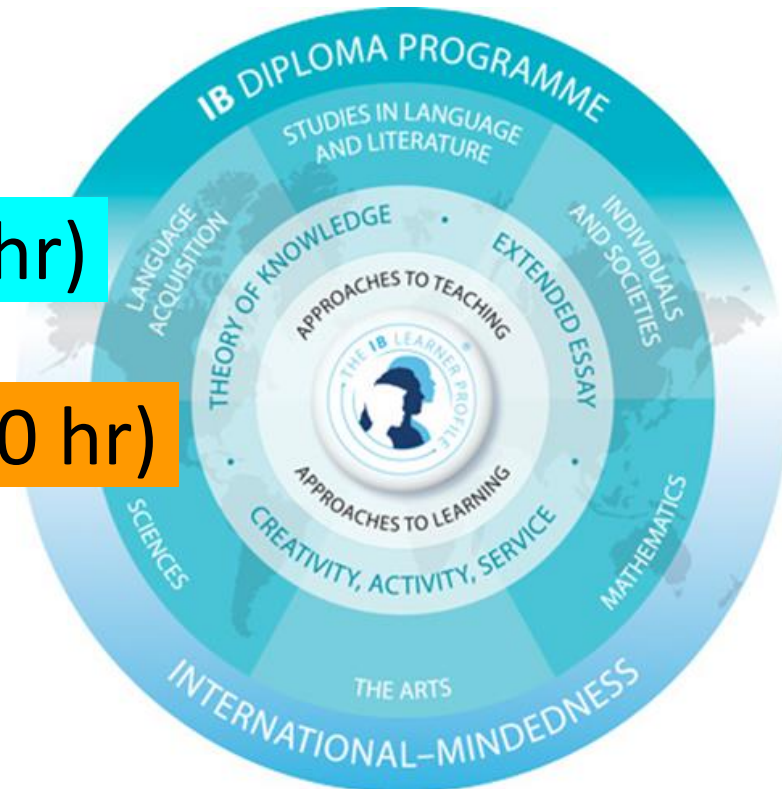


An Overview of the Diploma Programme

- The DP Programme consists of 6 groups
- One course must be taken in each category
- The courses are:

Higher Level (HL) courses (240 hr)

Standard Level (SL) courses (150 hr)



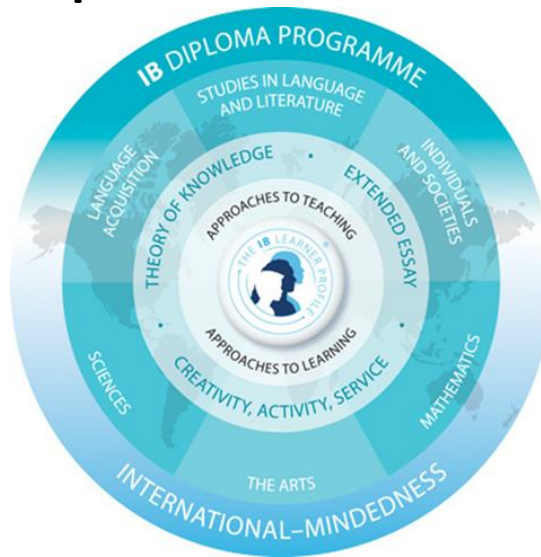
The DP: 6 Groups (HL & SL)

- Group 1- Studies in Language and Literature:
English (HL)
- Group 2- Language Acquisition:
French (SL)
- Group 3- Individuals and Societies:
History (HL)
- Group 4- Sciences:
Chemistry/Biology (HL)
- Group 5- Mathematics:
Mathematics (SL)
- Group 6- Flexible:
ARTS/Chemistry/Biology/
Physics/Geography (SL)



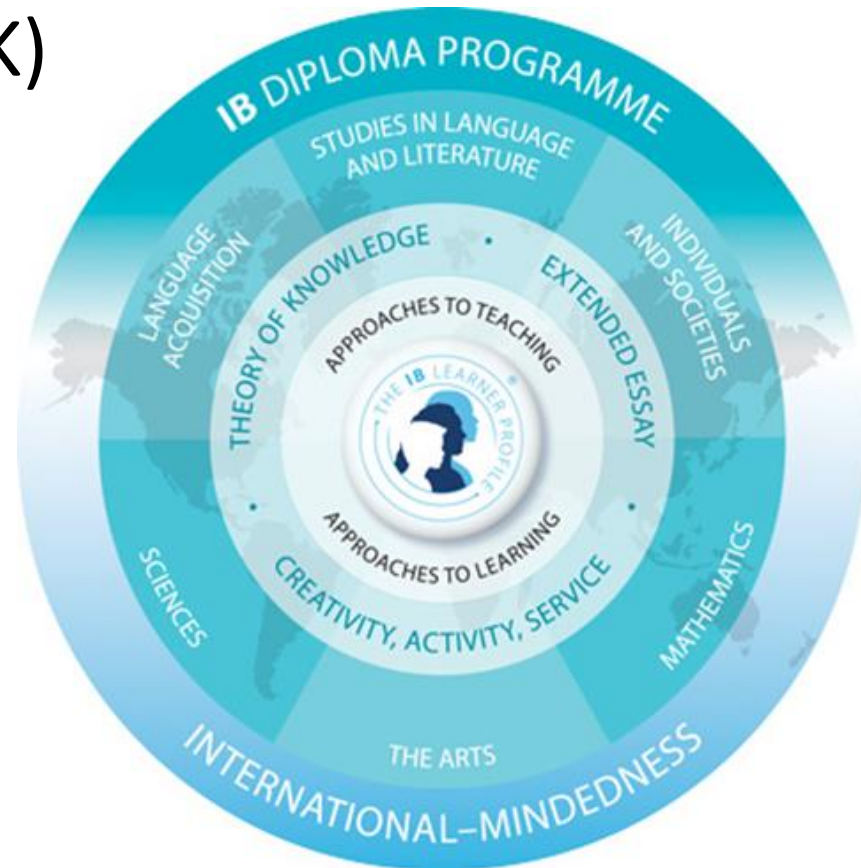
The Learner Profile Attributes

- Inquirers
- Knowledgeable
- Thinkers
- Communicators
- Principled
- Open-minded
- Caring
- Risk-takers
- Balanced
- Reflective



The Core of IB

- Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)
- Theory of Knowledge (ToK)
- Extended Essay (EE)



Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)

- CAS is a requirement of the IB Diploma Programme and will be implemented over two years
- It enables students to demonstrate attributes of the learner profile in real and practical ways
- It involves students in a range of activities alongside their academic studies; Involvement in local and global community
- Students will be provided with opportunities to choose their own CAS experiences.
- CAS is individualized according to student interests, skills, values, and background
- May be a single event or series of sequential events

Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)

- CAS provides opportunities for self-determination, collaboration, accomplishment, and enjoyment
- CAS gives students a chance to explore, develop skills, take risks, lead projects, collaborate with others, persevere, evaluate choices, learn responsibility, and make ethical decisions
- CAS is not formally assessed, however, students reflect on their CAS experiences as part of the Diploma Programme, and provide evidence of achieving the learning outcomes for CAS:

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Theory of Knowledge (ToK)

- **ToK** is a mandatory course that is part of the IB Diploma Programme
- **ToK** offers students the opportunity to:
 - reflect critically on the nature and areas of knowledge as well as diverse ways of knowing
 - consider the role and nature of knowledge in their own culture, in the cultures of others and in the world

Theory of Knowledge (ToK)

- **ToK** is assessed through an oral presentation and a 1,600 word essay
- The presentation assesses the ability of the students to apply ToK thinking to real-life situations
- The essay takes a more conceptual starting point

The IB Diploma Programme

EE Coordinator: Katherine Gross



Extended Essay (EE)

- The extended essay is an independent, self-directed piece of research
- 4,000-word paper
- Students are supported throughout the process of researching and writing with guidance from a mentor who is a teacher at the school

Extended Essay (EE)

The extended essay provides:

- practical preparation for undergraduate research
- an opportunity for students to investigate a topic of special interest to them, which is also related to one of the students' 6 DP subjects

The IB Courses & Pathways

Head of Guidance: Lana Fisher



Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) Requirements



What does the IB programme provide?

- A challenging programme of international education and rigorous assessment
- Universities value its combination of depth with breadth along with its rigour
- Universities value its emphasis on developing critical thinking skills
- Many universities provide accelerated credits to high scoring IB students

Alexander Mackenzie's

Grade 9

pre-IB
courses

Mandatory Course Selection (6)

Select All

ENG1DZ	English-AMHS Pre-IB, Grade 9
FSF1DZ	French-AMHS Pre-IB, Grade 9
MPM1DZ	Mathematics-AMHS Pre-IB, Grade 9
SNC1DZ	Science-AMHS Pre-IB, Grade 9
CGC1D1	Geography
PPL1O8/109	Girls/Boys Physical Education

Optional Course Selection (2)

Select **two** optional courses, one of which must be an Arts elective

ADA101	Dramatic Arts
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AMI101	Instrumental Music-Band
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AMV101	Vocal Music
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AMS101	Instrumental Music Strings
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AVI101	Visual Arts
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BTT101	Business
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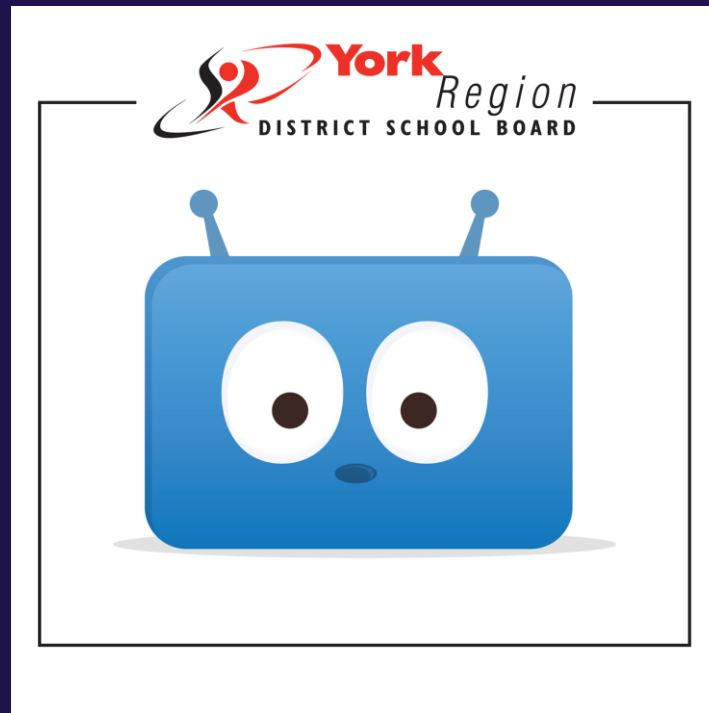
HIF101	Family Studies
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TIJ101	Computer Tech
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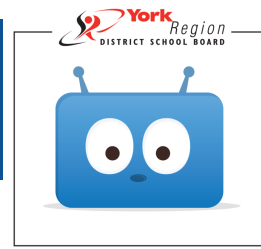
6 Subject Groups	Pathways
Sciences Mathematics	Sciences Engineering Computer Science
The Arts	Humanities, Performing Arts
Individuals & Societies	Business, Humanities
Studies in Language and Literature (English)/Language Acquisition (French)	Humanities Linguistics

IB Online Registration Process through EDSBY

Vice Principal: George Ellinas



Online Registration through EDSBY



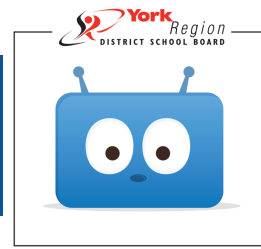
- The online application
 - opens on Friday, October 20th at 10:00 am
 - closes on Wednesday, November 8th at 11:59 pm
- Registrations will be done through EDSBY
- An EDSBY account will need to be created in order to register your child for the IB Program
- We encourage you to set up your account early in the registration process beginning October 20th
- Payments will be accepted through PayPal. You do not have to have a PayPal account to pay but you will need a credit card or prepaid credit card to pay online.

Registering for IB Program

- Visit www.yrdsb.ca > Programs and Services > International Baccalaureate Diploma > Alexander Mackenzie High School
- Select 'Register Now'
- Step by step instructions will be available on the website to walk you through the process of setting up an EDSBY account as well as registering for the IB assessment
- Instructions for creating an EDSBY account will be available October 20th



Online Registration through EDSBY



- For YRDSB students:
 - ensure that you use the same email address that you have on file with YRDSB
 - if your information on your elementary school's file is not current, please contact the school
- Only one person (email address) will be able to register your child for the IB Program. Please decide which parent or guardian will be responsible for registration and communication.

School Locator

- You can only apply to the IB school that is attached to your home address.
- To identify your IB school, visit the Board website > School Locator>Enter your home address.
- Transfers are not possible
- Transportation is not provided for the IB program

Inspire Learning!

Staff: --Select an Application--

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School Locator

Locate YRDSB schools for your address by entering the Street Number and Street Name in the form below.

Instructions

- Enter the street number separately from the street name (* both fields require a value).
- Begin typing the street name to see matching entries.
- Choose your street from the dropdown list.
- The municipality will automatically populate.

Updated September 5, 2017

Road | Bird's eye

Street Number * Street Name * Municipality
Aurora

Begin typing, and choose from dropdown listing

☒ Elementary ☒ French Immersion (Elementary)

The Application Process

The video that follows will speak to the following:

- The application window for online registration
- Eligibility for application, assessment, and admissions
- The dates for the assessment
 - Saturday, November 18th (9:00 am-11:30 am)
 - Tuesday, November 21st (6:00 pm-8:30 pm)
- What to bring on assessment days

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Q & A

Applying to IB schools
Online registration process
Others