

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME INFORMATION PRESENTATION



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.

As guests on Turtle Island, we would like to start by acknowledging that we are connecting virtually today from our spaces on land that has been shared with us so that we may work and learn together in service of the students who attend or will attend our schools. These schools are on the traditional territories of the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishinaabe peoples, whose presence here continues to this day. We would also like to acknowledge that the land we are on is at the meeting place of two treaties, the lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit and those of the First Nations of the Williams Treaty. We would like to thank them and other Indigenous peoples for sharing this land with us. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our closest Indigenous community and our partners in education.

It is important that we take the time to acknowledge this land and the people because the first step to reconciliation is recognizing the existence of Indigenous people. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Calls to Action (numbers 62-63) speak to the significance of education as the key to reconciliation. A shared understanding of how our collective past brought us to where we are today will help us walk together into a better future.



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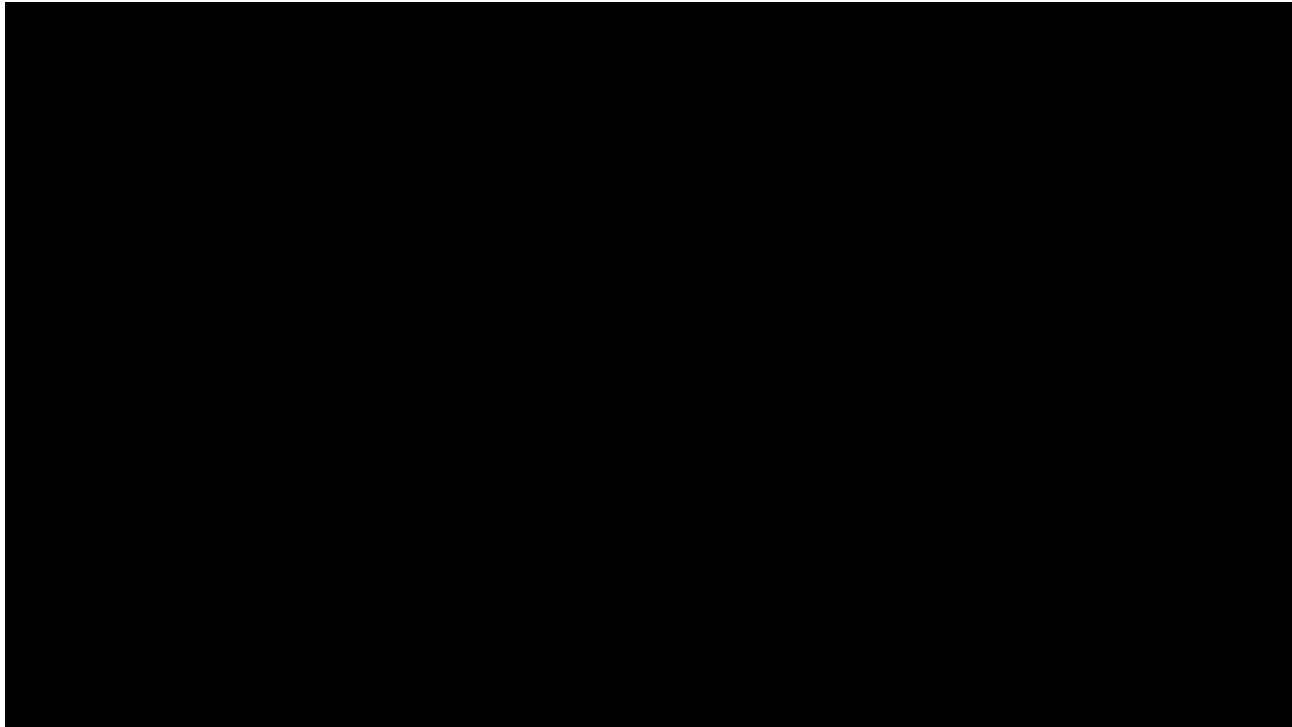
Summary of Information

- Overview of the IB Programme at Alexander Mackenzie High School
- The Application Process
 - School Locator, Eligibility and Application Window
 - Application Components
- Q & A Using EDSBY and Reminders
- Frequently Asked Questions



The International Baccalaureate Programme

The video below provides an overview of the IB Programme.
Please click on the image below to view the video.



IB Diploma Programme Course of Study



Over the course of a two year programme:

- **Six academic subjects from six subject groups**

IB Terminology

HL (Higher Level) course
= 3 semesters of course work

SL (Standard Level) courses
= 2 semesters of course work



IB Diploma Overview

Students take:

- 3 subjects at the **HL** level
- 3 subjects at the **SL** Level

Complete the IB Core:

- Extended Essay
- Theory of Knowledge
- Creativity, Activity and Service



Alexander Mackenzie High School's Course of Study

Group 1 English

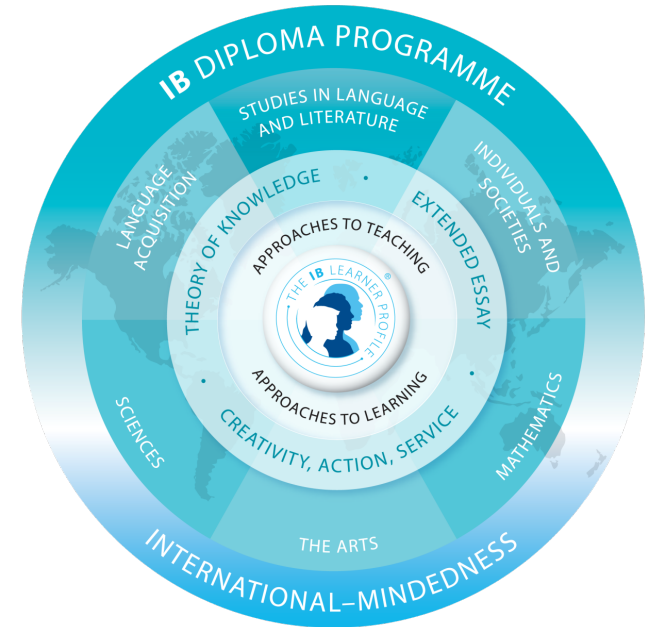
Group 2 French

Group 3 History

Group 4 Chemistry *or* Biology

Group 5 Mathematics

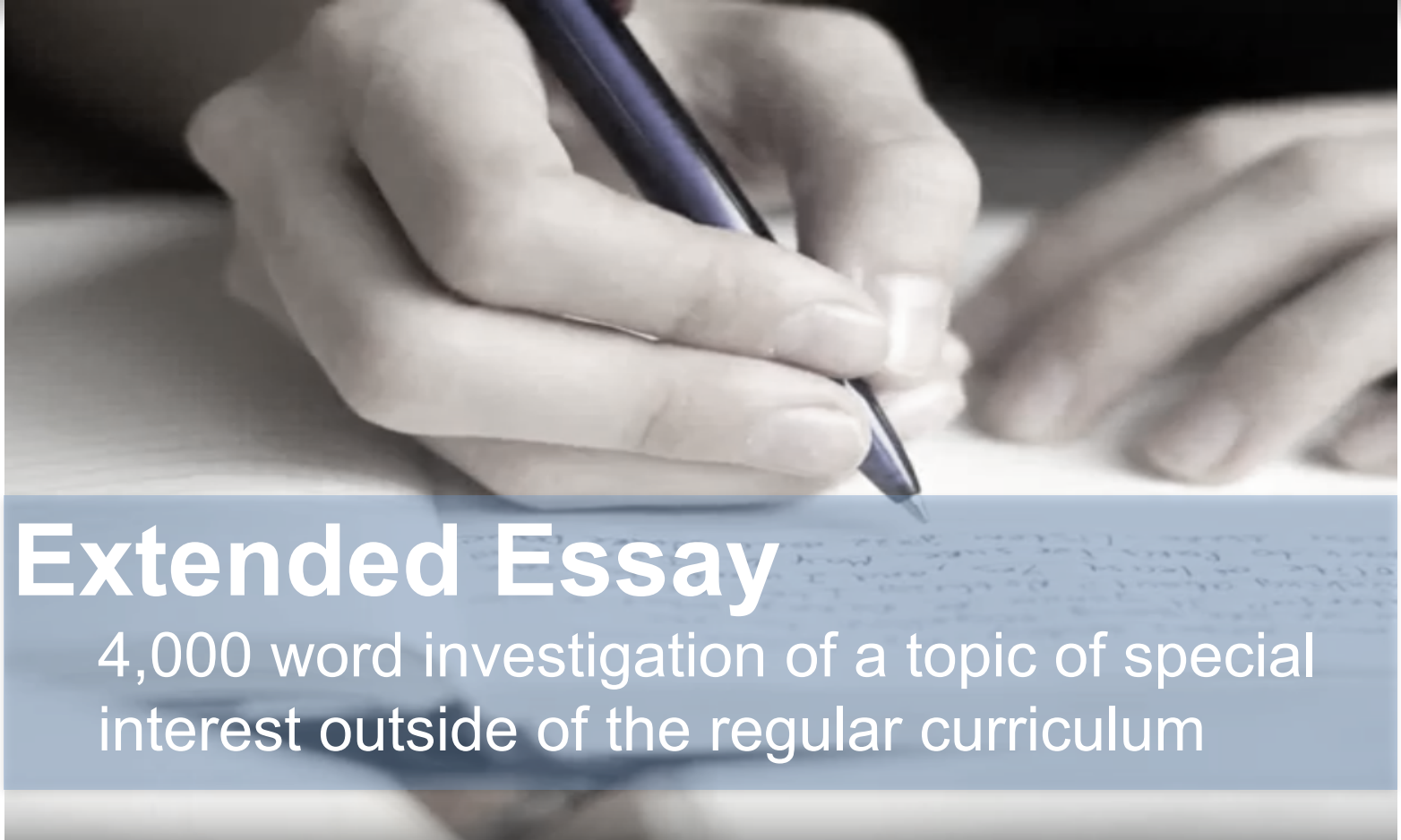
Group 6 *Music *or* Theatre Arts



*Group 6 can be substituted with **Biology** or **Physics**

NOTE Student course selections determine what courses will be offered





Theory of Knowledge (ToK)

Challenges students to question the basis of knowledge, to develop the ability to analyze evidence and to appreciate other cultural perspectives



Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)



- Students engage in a range of enjoyable & significant experiences that foster growth in areas of Creativity, Activity and Service
- While targeting 7 specific learning outcomes, students learn to become more caring, risk-taking, balanced, and internationally-minded global citizens

GRADE 9 Preparing for the Diploma Years

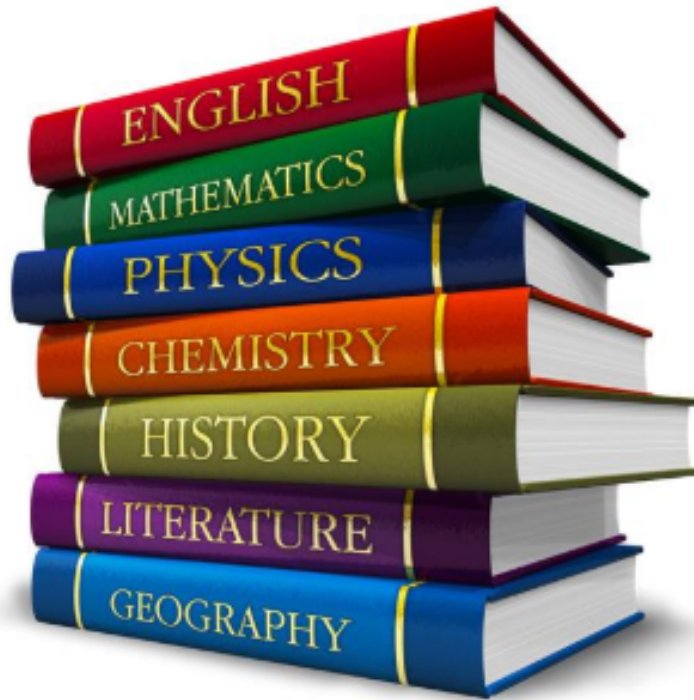
- English
- French
- Science
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Geography
- 2 Optional Courses



■ Visual Arts	■ Business	■ Design Technology	■ Communication Technology
■ Drama	■ Computer Studies	■ Exploring Technology	■ Transportation Technology
■ Music	■ Family Studies		



Grade 10 Preparing for the Diploma Years



- English
- French
- Science
- History
- Mathematics (2 credits)
- Civics and Careers
- 1 Optional Course

Grade 11 Anticipation Year

Semester One

ENGLISH – HL

Grade 11

SCIENCE – HL

Grade 11 Biology or Chemistry

ART / SCIENCE – SL

Grade 11 Music, or Theatre Arts, or
Biology, or Physics

**MATH: ANALYSIS &
APPROACHES SL**

Grade 12 Advanced Functions

Semester Two

0.5 FRENCH – SL / 0.5 ToK

Grade 11

INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY – HL

Grade 11 History

ART / SCIENCE - SL

Grade 11 Music, or Theatre Arts , or
Biology, or Physics

**MATH: ANALYSIS &
APPROACHES SL**

Grade 12 Calculus and Vectors

**FINAL IB EXAMS IN THE ARTS OR SL SCIENCE SUBJECTS AND
MATHEMATICS ARE WRITTEN IN MAY OF
ANTICIPATION (Grade 11) YEAR**



Grade 12 Diploma Year

Semester One

ENGLISH – HL

Grade 12

INDIVIDUAL AND

SOCIETY – HL

Grade 12 History

SCIENCE – HL

Grade 12 Biology or Chemistry

0.5 FRENCH – SL / 0.5 ToK

Grade 11

Semester Two

ENGLISH – HL

Grade 12

INDIVIDUAL AND

SOCIETY – HL

Grade 12 History

SCIENCE – HL

Grade 12 Biology or Chemistry

FRENCH – SL

Grade 12

**REMAINING FINAL IB EXAMS ARE WRITTEN IN MAY OF
GRADUATING YEAR**



Timetable Considerations

- Students have a full timetable (four courses per semester)
- Students do not have space in their timetable for spares or non-IB courses
- Students are only able to take two sciences
 - this means that students cannot take all three during day school



IB Programme Fees

\$3,000.00 Total

- \$250 in grade 9
 - the grade 9 fee is payable at time of acceptance of offer of admission
- \$350 in grade 10
- \$1,200.00 per year in Grade 11 and Grade 12
- These fees cannot be used as tax deductions

Operating Costs

- Affiliation Fees
- Registration Fees
- Teacher Training Fees
- Resources and extra course materials
- External Examination Fees
- Incidentals as needed for the Programme



IB Programmes in YRDSB



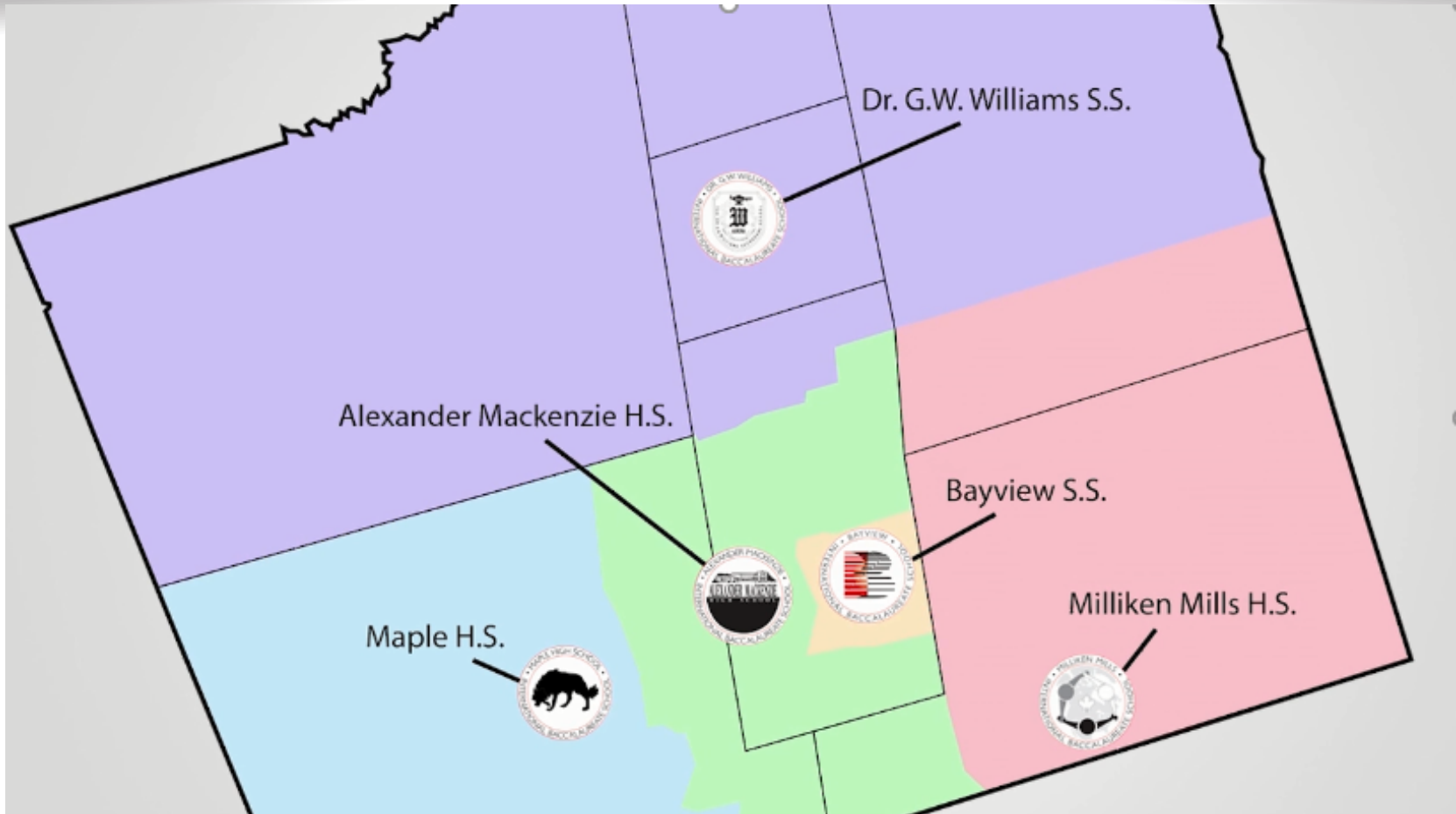
IB York Region District School Board



The YRDSB family of schools offers approximately 500 spaces each year for future IB students.





Applying to IB in York Region District School Board




School Year on School Locator


Check the **YRDSB School Locator**
to determine your IB Area School
(this is the school you will be applying to)


☒  Elementary

☒  Secondary

☒ **IB** IB School







☒  French Immersion (Elementary)

☒  French Immersion (Secondary)

☒  Arts Program (Secondary)

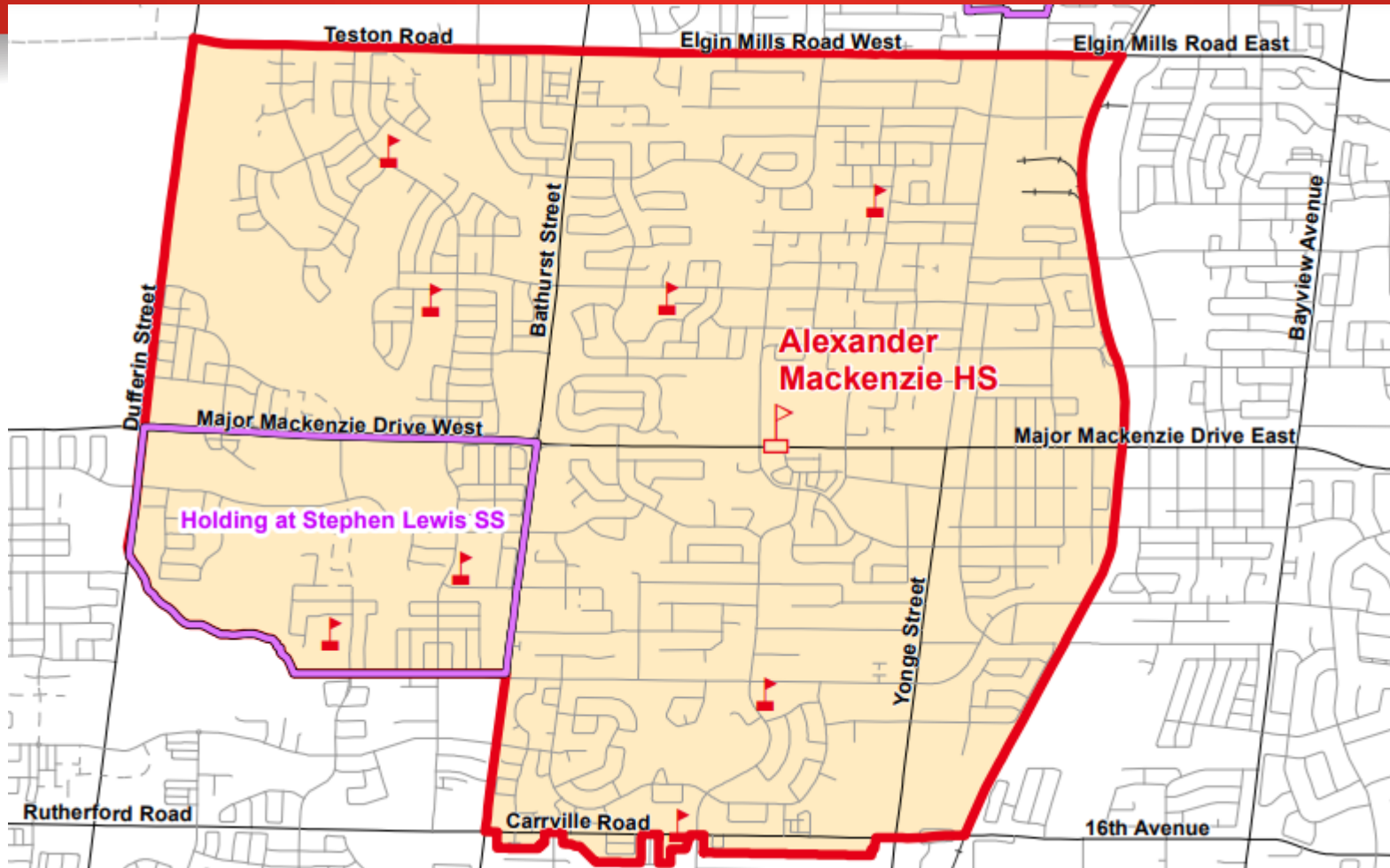
[2019-2020 School Year](#)

[2020-2021 School Year](#)

		Grade	Links
	 Walter Scott Public School 500 MAJOR MACKENZIE DR E, RICHMOND HILL, ON	JK-08	School Profile Boundary Map 
	 Michaelle Jean Public School FI 320 SHIRLEY DR, RICHMOND HILL, ON	01-03	School Profile Boundary Map 



Alexander Mackenzie High School IB Boundaries



Application Eligibility

Student Applicants must:

- live in York Region at time of application, within Alexander Mackenzie High School's IB boundaries

***We are not able to accept applicants
from outside of the region***

- be a student currently in Grade 8



Application Components

IB Application includes:

- Online EDSBY Application Registration
- Personal Profile Form
- Grade 8 Progress Report



Online Application Timeline

OCTOBER 2020						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

NOVEMBER 2020						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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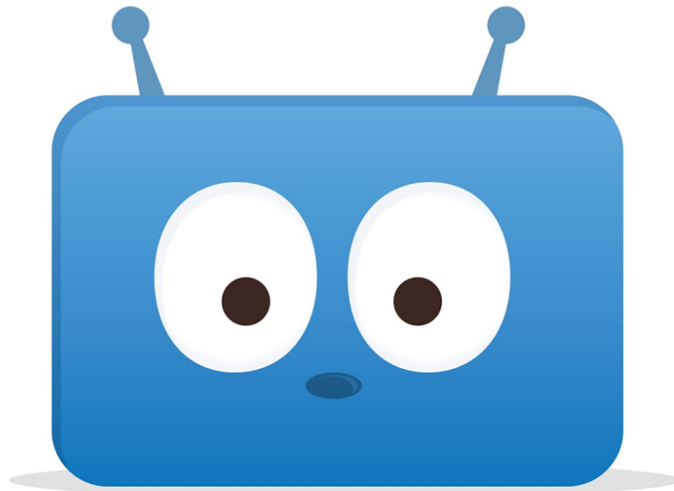
Opens Monday, October 26, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Closes Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.



Register through EDSBY

IB Applications will be submitted online
through EDSBY



Application Fee

- There is a \$35 non-refundable application fee
- Application fee is due at time of submission through EDSBY
- VISA, Mastercard, American Express, or PayPal

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Personal Profile Form

- Students will receive an email with a link to complete a personal profile form
- The profile form will be active:

Wednesday, November 18 at 4:00 p.m.

to

Monday, November 23 at 9:00 p.m.

- The form is an opportunity for applicants to share something about themselves
- We encourage students to independently and honestly answer the questionnaire



Personal Profile Form Tips

- The form will be shared as a Google Form
- Once it is submitted, students will not be able to edit the content
- Students can take as long as they need within the window to complete the questionnaire
- It is suggested that students read over the questions and take time to consider responses before completing them on the form
- It may be helpful to draft ideas in another platform (Google docs, Microsoft word, etc.) before entering them into the Google Form

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Report Cards

YRDSB Applicants

- We will receive report card data for current **YRDSB** students from the YRDSB system. Applicants are not required to take action.

Non-YRDSB Applicants

- Students who are applying from outside of the **YRDSB** will receive an email after the application window closes with instructions about how to upload a scanned copy of the Grade 8 Progress Report



Admission Decisions

- Offers will be sent out by the end of January
- Offers will be sent via email
 - During the online application please ensure you provide an active email account
 - Be sure to check your spam filters
- Individual results and/or standing will not be released



Registering through EDSBY

- When you click the **registration tab** to apply for the IB Programme, you will be directed to log into your existing YRDSB EDSBY account or to create a new EDSBY account.
- Step-by-step instructions will be available on the school website to help you create the account and register for the IB admissions process.



Registering through EDSBY... Continued

- Most families in YRDSB elementary schools have an existing EDSBY account.
- If you have an account, you will be able to login and register directly for the IB admissions assessment.
- If you have not yet activated your EDSBY account, please do so. It will simplify your process.



Registering through EDSBY... Continued

If you have **not yet been invited** by your YRDSB elementary school to establish an account

OR

If you **do not have an account** because you are not currently a YRDSB parent/guardian, please follow the link provided on the YRDSB or school IB web page and **create a new account**



Application Steps

STEP 1



**Complete EDSBY
Registration Campaign**

Monday, October 26

@ 9:00 a.m.

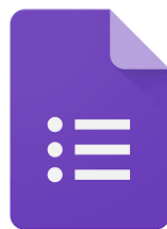
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STEP 2



**Students receive email
with link to Personal
Profile Google Form**

Students complete form

Wednesday, November 18

@ 4:00 p.m.

to

Monday, November 23

@9:00 p.m.

STEP 3



YRDSB Student report card
data will be shared with IB
schools automatically

Non-YRDSB students will
receive an email after the
application window closes
with instructions about how
to upload a scanned copy of
their Grade 8 Progress
Report

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Frequently Asked Questions

- Please visit our FAQ link on the School website (under IB Programme Tab) for answers to most questions
- Contact your site coordinator for case specific or personal questions



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