

# INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAM

## Course Sequencing

| SUBJECT AREA                       | JUNIOR YEAR   | SENIOR YEAR  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| THE CORE                           | Theory of Knowledge<br>Extended Essay<br>Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)                                      |  |
| GROUP 1<br>Language & Literature   | IB English Language & Literature HL   |  |
| GROUP 2<br>Language Acquisition    | IB Spanish 3 SL<br>IB French 3 SL<br>IB French Ab Initio 1 SL   | IB Spanish 4 SL<br>IB French 4 SL<br>IB French Ab Initio 2 SL  |
| GROUP 3<br>Individuals & Societies | IB World History HL<br>IB Economics HL  |  |
|                                    | IB Business Management SL<br>IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL<br>IB Global Politics SL<br>IB Psychology SL | IB Business Management SL<br>IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL<br>IB Global Politics SL<br>IB Psychology SL  |
| GROUP 4<br>Sciences                | IB Biology HL   |  |
|                                    | IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL<br>IB Physics SL<br>IB Sports, Exercise, Health Science SL                | IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL<br>IB Physics SL<br>IB Sports, Exercise, Health Science SL   |
| GROUP 5<br>Mathematics             | IB Math<br>IB Calculus  | IB Math Applications & Interpretations SL<br>IB Math Analysis & Approaches SL<br>IB Math Analysis & Approaches HL<br>IB Math Applications & Interpretations HL |
| GROUP 6<br>The Arts                | IB Theatre HL<br>IB Visual Arts HL  |  |
|                                    | IB Theatre SL<br>IB Visual Arts SL  | IB Theatre SL<br>IB Visual Arts SL   |

\*HL courses are taken over two years, while most SL courses are one year in length. One-year SL courses can be taken either year.

# IB DIPLOMA PROGRAM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete the following requirements in order to earn the IB Diploma:

- Enroll in 3 Higher Level (HL) and 3 Standard Level (SL) courses during the two years of the program.
  - Students must take a course in each subject area. It is possible for students to take a second Individuals & Societies (Group 3) or Science (Group 4) course instead of enrolling in an Arts (Group 6) course.
- Enroll in Theory of Knowledge, which is offered spring semester junior year and fall semester senior year.
- Complete Creativity, Activity, and Service hours, including one CAS project.
- Complete the Extended Essay in the subject of their choice.
  - The EE is a 4,000-word research paper that begins spring of junior year and is submitted fall of senior year.
  - Students work with a teacher advisor for the duration of the research process.

The IB diploma is awarded based on performance across all parts of the DP:

- Each subject is graded 1–7, with 7 being the highest grade.
  - These grades are also used as points in determining if the diploma can be awarded.
- TOK and the EE are graded A–E, with A being the highest grade.
- CAS is not assessed but must be completed in order to pass the diploma.
- The overall maximum points from subject grades, TOK and the EE is 45.
- The minimum threshold for the award of the diploma is 24 points.
  - If a candidate scores less than 24 points, the diploma is not awarded.

# DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn 240 credits in the following areas in order to earn their high school diploma:

English – 4 years / 40 credits

Math – 4 years / 40 credits

Social Studies – 3 years / 30 credits

Science – 3 years / 30 credits

Fine Art – 1 year / 10 credits

Physical Education/JROTC – 1 year / 10 credits

Additional Electives – 80 credits

*\*Recommended 2 years of a World Language*