



10th Grade Application for the IB Diploma Program

Jack Yates High School

Name: _____ Graduation Year: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____

The general philosophy at JYHS is to make the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program available to all students who want to challenge themselves as students and to prepare themselves for college. Although there are no official entrance exams for the IB program, there are some strongly recommended entering conditions that students and parents should be aware of:

1. **Self-motivation:** the student must understand that entering into and sticking with the IB program, whether as a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior, requires his or her willingness to meet the rigorous challenge of these courses.
2. **Time-management:** the student and parents should consider the time commitment required to successfully complete all coursework and activities associated with the program and carefully decide which activities, both academic and extracurricular, the student can realistically accomplish throughout their four years of high school.
3. **Reading / Writing level:** the student should be able to read and write at or above grade level.
4. **Grades / Test Scores:** a 3.0 GPA or above is recommended, but the student should be performing at no less than a 'B' in the course prior to entering the IB coursework. Students should be at least "Proficient" on their math assessment. "Proficient" is considered at grade level. "Advanced" is considered above grade level.

Students and parents should consider the above guidelines when making the commitment to enter the IB Diploma Program.

Student applications will be screened by the IB Leadership Team. The IB Leadership Team will schedule an intake meeting with the student. Feedback will be given regarding the level of preparedness the student has demonstrated for entry into the program. It is strongly encouraged that 9th & 10th graders take AP and/or PreAP courses to be fully prepared for success in the IB program.

Complete this form, and submit to: Marlon Watkins, IB Coordinator, at mwatkin4@houstonisd.org

I plan to take the required course/s, test in all IB subject groups I register for, and fulfill all other IB requirements for the course.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____