



IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME ACADEMIC PATHWAYS*

The academic pathways are **required** to ensure successful preparation for the rigors of the IB Diploma Programme (DP) and subject area examinations.

Students will select courses for the DP that are two-year courses of study for the junior and senior year. This is designated by IB 1 and IB 2 in the course name. For example, selecting IB 1 Biology in the junior year means the student is expected to take IB 2 Biology in senior year, as the content and assessments cover two years of instruction. The only courses that are not two-year requirements are IB Sports, Exercise & Health Science 1 and IB World Religions 1. Students may take IB Sports, Exercise & Health Science (SEHS) for two years, however.

Full Diploma students:

- Must take one course in each Group with the exception of Group 6. Group 6 can be replaced with an additional course in **either** Group 3 or Group 4.
- Will select which courses to test at the Higher Level (HL) or Standard Level (SL) in fall of senior year. Students must take three HL and three SL exams. One year courses – IB SEHS and IB World Religions – are automatically SL exams.
- Complete the Extended Essay, Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) requirements.

	8TH GRADE	9TH GRADE	10TH GRADE		11TH GRADE	12TH GRADE	OPTIONS FOR FULL DP CANDIDATE
GROUP 1: ENGLISH		Writing/ Literature I	American Literature (1600 or 1900)	→	IB English 1 & 2 <i>(two-year sequence)</i>		★ Mandatory
GROUP 2: LANGUAGE ACQUISITION 200 <i>Level Language Readiness in 9th Grade</i>	Spanish 100 German 100 Chinese 100 French 100	Spanish 200 German 200 Chinese 200 French 200	Spanish 300 German 300 Chinese 300 French 300	→ → → →	IB 1 Spanish 400 & IB 2 Spanish 500 IB 1 German 400 & IB 2 German 500 IB 1 Chinese 400 & IB 2 Chinese 500 IB 1 French 400 & IB 2 French 500 <i>(two-year sequence)</i>		★ Mandatory
GROUP 3: INDIVIDUALS & SOCIETIES		World History	US History (or AP US History) may add Gov/Econ if schedule permit	Option 1 →	IB History 1 & 2		★ Mandatory - must take option 1, 2 or 3
				Option 2 →	IB World Religions 1 and Government / Economics <i>IB World Religions is a one-year course and can be taken either year</i>		
				Option 3 →	IB History 1 & 2 and IB World Religions 1		<i>Students selecting the combined Group 3 option DO NOT take a Group 6 course.</i>
GROUP 4: EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES		Biology	Chemistry of Earth's Systems and/or Physics of the Universe (or AP Physics)	Option 1 →	IB Sports, Exercise & Health Science 1 <i>IB SEHS 1 is a one-year course and can be taken either year</i>		★ Mandatory - must take option 1, 2 or 3
				Option 2 →	IB Biology 1 & 2 <u>or</u> IB Chemistry 1 & 2 <u>or</u> IB SEHS 1 & 2 <i>(two-year sequences)</i>		
				Option 3 →	IB Biology (1 & 2) + Chemistry (1 & 2) <u>or</u> IB Biology (1 & 2) + IB SEHS(1 & 2) <u>or</u> IB Chemistry (1 & 2) + IB SEHS (1 & 2) <i>IB Biology and IB Chemistry are two year sequences IB SEHS can be one or two years</i>		<i>Students selecting one of the combined options DO NOT take a Group 6 course</i>
GROUP 5: MATH	Math 8	Algebra 1	Geometry	→	IB Math Applications 1 & 2		★ Mandatory
	Algebra 1	Geometry	Algebra 2	→	IB Math Applications 1 & 2		
	Geometry	Honors Alg 2	Honors Pre-Calc	→	IB Math Analysis 1 & 2		
GROUP 6: THE ARTS		Art Elective	Art Elective	→	IB Visual Arts 1 & 2 <i>(two-year sequence)</i>		<i>Visual Arts is available at the HL & SL Levels</i>
	Music (Band, Choir, Orchestra)	Music (Band, Choir, Orchestra)	Music (Band, Choir, Orchestra)	→	IB Music 1 & 2 & Group Ensemble <i>(two-year sequence; SL Only)</i>		<i>IB Music students also remain in auditioned group</i>
TOK					Core Studies 1	Core Studies 2	★ Mandatory