



Seaquam Secondary School – Admissions Policy

The details of the application and admission process into Seaquam's International Baccalaureate (IB) programme are outlined on the Seaquam IB website: [Link here](#)

Only applications with all parts completed will be accepted.

It should be noted that students are expected to include their most recent report cards (midterms and final) and complete a series of short answer questions that pertain to what we consider to be important aspects of the IB program: ***alignment with the Learner Profile (both developed and emerging attributes), perseverance and overcoming challenges, and a positive attitude.*** Students are also encouraged to list extracurricular activities and community service as a way to capture the recognition of the vitally important learning that occurs beyond the classroom - another nod to the importance of the IB program's CORE.

Application Timelines

Below is a list of important dates in regards to the application process for the 2025-2026 academic year.

- IB student information meeting: November 18, 2025
- IB parent information meeting: November 26, 2025
- IB applications open: November 18, 2025
- IB student-led meeting: January 16, 2026
- IB applications due: February 2, 2026
- IB student interviews (as needed): February 17-20, 2026
- IB application review completed: March 2, 2026
- IB application decision letter and emails (out of catchment) sent: March 9, 2026
- IB application student response of offer (for decline only): March 13, 2025
- Last day to drop or change IB courses: April 13, 2026

IB Application Selection Process

Students are selected for the program based on review of their applications primarily by the IB Diploma Coordinators. However, the grade counsellor and subject teachers also contribute to the review process, especially in cases where there is more uncertainty regarding the candidate's suitability.

In our Diploma Programme we aim to be inclusive in all ways, and therefore have a relatively low rate of denied applications. Applications may also be waitlisted or denied if they occur after the deadlines and/or if our program has reached capacity (eg. class organization and staffing has already been determined). Students are never denied on the basis on the need for Inclusive Arrangements.

Admittance into the program is generally based on the following criteria:

- Students earning a minimum grade (generally around a letter grade “B”) in their core academic subjects
- Quality of written responses that reflect readiness for the IB program
- Student Learning Skills (Independence, Collaboration, Responsibility, Initiative and Self-Regulation)

Admissions policy review

The admissions policy will be reviewed annually, at the commencement of each school year to ensure it meets the needs of all learners and reflects the changing views of the school community.