



IB at WKHS

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme
at Worthington Kilbourne High School

What is the IB Diploma Programme?

The IB Diploma Programme is a two-year curriculum sequence that promotes students' total development by offering them challenging academic experiences and intellectual depth across the academic disciplines while cultivating their personal growth, international/global-mindedness, and leadership. Students who complete the requirements of the programme are eligible (based upon their performance on assessments) to be awarded the Diploma of the International Baccalaureate (more commonly called the "IB Diploma.")

Why do WKHS students choose the IB Diploma Programme?

IB courses offer a classroom experience that is built around student interest and inquiry
IB courses emphasize global interconnections and the contributions of people of many cultures
IB courses in all academic disciplines develop students' research, thinking, and writing skills
IB students form a tight-knit family and develop individual relationships with their teachers
IB students explore the nature of knowledge in the Theory of Knowledge course
IB students embrace a lifestyle of self-improvement and reflection in Creativity-Activity-Service
IB students complete a work of independent research and writing called the Extended Essay
IB students leave WKHS with the highest level of preparation for university-level work
IB students gain an advantage in university admissions and may receive university credit

What options are available for participation in the IB Diploma Programme at WKHS?

Students who wish to pursue the full IB Diploma Programme and attempt to earn the IB Diploma are called "IB Diploma Programme Students"

Students who wish to experience the benefits of the IB Diploma Programme but may not be able to complete all of its requirements are encouraged to consider enrollment as an "IB Partial Program Student"; see requirements on the back of this page.

Students who wish to take IB courses as "stand-alone" courses may do so; see requirements of "IB Course Students" on the back of this page.

Where can I get more information?

See the IB@WKHS website

(<https://wkhs.worthington.k12.oh.us/studentsparents/international-baccalaureate-programme>);

follow us on Instagram (ib_wkhs).

Email WKHS IB Diploma Programme Coordinator Jeannie Goodwin (jgoodwin@wscloud.org)

IB Diploma Programme Student requirements

You must complete one from <u>all</u> of the six groups below (three HL and three SL)			
Group 1: Language and Literature		English Literature HL (2 years)	
Group 2: Language Acquisition		French HL (2 years); Latin SL (2 years); Spanish HL (2 years)	
Group 3: Individuals and Societies		History HL (2 years); Psychology SL (1 year); Business Management SL (1 year) or HL (2 years)	
Group 4: Sciences		Biology SL (1 year), Sports, Exercise and Health Science SL (1 year)	
Group 5: Mathematics		Mathematics SL Analysis and Approaches (1 year)	
Group 6: Electives		Visual Arts SL (1 year) or a second course from Groups 1-5 above	
Must also complete: Creativity-Action-Service (CAS); Extended Essay; Theory of Knowledge			
Theory of Knowledge meets:			
Grade 11 - Semester 1	Grade 11 - Semester 2	Grade 12 - Semester 1	Grade 12 - Semester 2
on alternating days*	four days a week	on alternating days*	Does not meet**
* IB Advisory meets on opposite days to manage CAS and provide time for support from IB teachers			
** IB teachers remain available to conduct IAs and review for upcoming external assessments			
2025-2026 total exam costs to family (may increase slightly over next two years): \$372			

IB Partial Program Student requirements

Complete at least <u>two</u> IB courses from Groups 1-6 above
Complete Theory of Knowledge; complete <u>either</u> Creativity-Action-Service <u>or</u> Extended Essay
Not eligible for IB Diploma
2025-2026 cost to family (may increase slightly over next two years): \$124 per exam

IB Course Student requirements

Complete any number of the IB courses from Groups 1-6 above
Not eligible for IB Diploma
2025-2026 cost to family (may increase slightly over next two years): \$124 per exam

Pre-requisite classes for IB courses: Spanish level 3 for IB Spanish, French level 3 for IB French, Latin 2 for IB Latin, Math 3 for IB Math, Biology for IB Sports, Exercise & Health Sciences, Biology and Chemistry or co-enrollment in Chemistry for IB Biology