How do you earn the IB Diploma? Unofficial Overview

- The IB Diploma is NOT the same thing as a high school diploma. A student could potentially get one without the other.
- The IB Diploma is the official certification that a student has successfully completed the IB Diploma Programme. It determines if/how much college credit a student will receive.

(This depends on each university's policies: Texas public universities give 24 college credits with the diploma (and all scores of 4 or above) by law, though what credits they are varies. Some universities only give credit with the diploma, while others give course credit even without the full diploma. Some require a certain score on each test for credit, with or without the diploma. See your university's exam credit website for specific details.)

• <u>Students find out if they received the diploma</u> by going to http://candidates.ibo.org on July 6 (they log on using a personal code and PIN provided by their IB DP coordinator).

In order to earn an IB Diploma, the student must fulfill the following requirements:

- Student must complete all assessment components for each of the six IB Subjects. (A maximum of 2 can be taken junior year, the rest senior year.)
 - O Students must take at least 3 Higher Level IB exams and 3 Standard Level IB exams. (A student can take no more than 4 HL exams.)
 - O IB exams are scored on a scale of 1-7, and a 4 is considered the passing score.
 - O Students must accumulate a total of at least 24 points on the IB exam scores, and 12 of the 24 points must come from the HL Exam scores.
 - No score of 1 awarded; no more than 2 scores of 2; no more than 3 scores of 3
 - Must earn at least 9 SL points (candidates taking 4 HLs must earn 5 SL points)
 - No academic misconduct; no grade of N (non-submission) on any component
- ALSO: Complete the additional IB Core Diploma Requirements
 - o CAS
 - O Extended Essay (cannot receive a score of E)
 - O Theory of Knowledge essay & presentation (cannot receive E on essay)

Sample 1:		Sample 2:	
IB English HL	4	IB English HL	3
IB History of the Americas HL	4	IB History of the Americas HL	4
IB Psychology HL	4	IB Psychology HL	4
IB Math A&I SL	4	IB Math A&I SL	5
IB Physics SL	4	IB Physics SL	4
IB Spanish SL	+4	IB Spanish SL	<u>+5</u>
Total	24	Total	25
IB Diploma Awarded		IB Diploma Not Awarded: Total of HL exa	ms must =
		12 (3 + 4 + 4 = 11)	

From IBO: see IB General regulations: Diploma Programme

for more detail on additional circumstances

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