



# Maintaining Good Standing in HCPS IB Programs



Program expectations dictate that students remain in GOOD STANDING while in the program. In general, good standing is defined as

- **Maintaining a 73 % C average or better overall**
- **Attending school regularly**
- **Abiding by all HCPS Code of Conduct policies as well as the IB Academic Honesty Policy**

Participating in the IB Program is a privilege, not a right. Removal from the program with subsequent return to the student's home school may occur under, but not limited to, the following conditions:

- **Multiple (in one year) or cumulative (grades 9-12) serious or habitual disciplinary infractions, and/or**
- **Multiple (in one year) or cumulative (grades 9-12) Code of Academic Honesty violations, and/or**
- **Chronic absenteeism or having an extended illness that requires homebound instruction\***
- **An egregious infraction such as, but not limited to, cheating that may involve organized, premeditated, networked, or other severe behavior using electronics, internet, social media, or other resources; any behavior that is felonious; and/or action causing severe social, emotional, or physical harm may result in immediate removal from the program.**

As well, certain academic issues may warrant a student being removed from the program in that student's academic best interests, particularly in the **Middle Years Program**. These situations include but are not limited to

- **Failure of a rising freshman to complete pre-requisite courses per a provisional admission contract**
- **Failure of a freshman to pass a course required to continue in the curriculum sequence of a subject/discipline**
- **Failure of a rising sophomore to be up to date with Action and Service**

In addition, rising or continuing **Diploma Program** students must maintain the following in order to progress into the Diploma Program and/or continue in their course sequence. *Decisions made based on these criteria are not subject to parent override.*

- **73% C average or better in each subject/discipline**
- **Students must be registered in two DP classes and sit for those exams and attend seminar to remain in the Diploma Program**
- **Completion of the internal assessments or work leading up to the internal assessment**
- **Completion of MYP 'Action and Service' and Personal Project requirements to be considered a Diploma Candidate as a junior**

To be registered as a **Diploma Candidate** in November, seniors must

- **Be up to date on Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) requirements**
- **Have turned in an Extended Essay**

To sit for exams, **Diploma Candidates**, **DP Course students**, and **Anticipated Candidates** must

- **Be passing the course with a cumulative 73% C average or better at the semester.**
- **Have completed the internal assessment or work leading up to the internal assessment**

*Students may be charged the \$119 subject fee per course and other costs accrued in accordance with the IBO scale of fees to drop them from IB exam registration. Failing DP students may be removed from the course and scheduled in either a comparable course from the comprehensive curriculum or a study hall, especially if that course is required for graduation. Students who are not eligible to sit for exams and/or are removed from a DP course will be considered Course Candidates for the IB classes in which they are demonstrating success and will not receive the IB Diploma.*



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## Student and Parent/Guardian Agreement Form

I have read the policies and expectations communicated in the **Maintaining Good Standing 2023-24** document. In order to remain in the IB Program, I understand that a C-average (73%), regular attendance and completion of all program components are a requirement. Further, I am aware of the behaviors that could result in removal from the program.

Student name (*please print*) \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (*circle*)      9      10      11      12

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return to the IB Office by Friday, September 22, 2023