

Frequently Asked Questions

Is the IB program only for “Gifted” students?

No. Although it never hurts to be brilliant, all students who love to learn, are self-motivated, and enjoy an academic challenge should consider the program.

Can I fit all of my extra-curricular activities into an IB schedule?

This can be an issue for many IB students which is why many high-achieving students may prefer not to enter the program. A diploma candidate must select most of their schedule from the IB course list and although you will have opportunities for additional electives, they will be somewhat limited.

Are there any prerequisites to the IB program?

Although students coming from honors classes will have a clear advantage in the program, there are no requirements to have taken honors courses. Students wishing to take IB Theatre must take Theatre 1 and 2, and IB Spanish SL requires a minimum of Spanish 4.

What is CAS?

CAS stands for Creativity, Action, and Service and is a requirement for the IB Diploma program. Students must complete worthwhile experience that cover all 7 of the learning outcomes which should spread out over the three levels of CAS. Students must also do a final project from one or more of the 3 CAS Strands and keep a portfolio of their experiences, reflections, and their project.

What is EE?

EE stands for Extended Essay. This is a 3000-4000 word research paper that students must complete in order to receive the IB Diploma. Students will start working on this in the fall of the junior year and complete the essay by winter of their senior year. Each student will be assigned a supervisor/mentor to guide you through the EE process.

I’m Interested! What’s next?

You must communicate with your high school guidance counselor that you are interested in the IB Program. In order for students to have room to complete the entire IB diploma program it is crucial that students sign up for the right classes starting their sophomore year. We recommend that every 10th grade student takes English 10, Spanish, Math 2H, Science, Health/Fit for Life, a CTE Elective, and Government/Financial Lit.



Applications for the Weber High School IB Diploma Program will be due in January of 2018.

Please see our IB Coordinator, Mrs. Kloempken, for more information. You may call the school at 801-476-3700 or contact her through e-mail at makloempken@wsd.net

WEBER HIGH SCHOOL



Candidate School for the IB Diploma Program*

***First graduating class will be in the spring of 2020**



Weber High Mission Statement

Weber High School will establish a supportive learning community which fosters creativity, encourages curiosity, and promotes critical thinking. Weber will create a challenging learning environment that encourages effective communication, life-long learning, and compassion that prepares students to serve in a global community.

General Information

Weber High School is a candidate school* for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program. This school is pursuing authorization as an IB World School. These are schools that share a common philosophy—a commitment to a high quality, challenging, international education that Weber High School believes is important for our students.

The IB Program is an internationally recognized academic program that offers a superior preparation for 11th and 12th grade college-bound students, as well as the opportunity to earn college credit while still in high school.

This program is extremely rigorous and is interdisciplinary. Meaning that a diploma candidate must enroll in IB courses in all 6 major subject areas. This includes: English, Foreign Language, Social Studies, Science, Math, and the Arts. Students must choose 3 subjects to study at Higher Level (HL) and 3 subjects to study at Standard Level (SL).

IB Diplomas are to be granted in addition to a Weber High School diploma, if they are earned by passing all coursework and exams in these 6 subjects. In addition to the 6 subjects, the IB program requires an additional Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course, a 3000-4000 word research based Extended Essay (EE) and a community service (CAS) component.

The IB program is an international program, so all of the program's components emphasize learning about and respecting different cultures and sharing in a common global community. Within and outside of these courses, Weber High School IB students will be involved in broadening their horizons and becoming more aware of the world around them.

WHY IB?

Unlike other programs which are subject specific, the IB Program takes a more holistic approach to education. Along with cognitive development, the IB program addresses students' social, emotional and physical well-being. Not only does it provide superior college preparation, a student that successfully completes the diploma program can earn up to 30 college credits.

IB Courses Offered

- G1—IB Language and Literature HL
- G2—Spanish B SL, Ab Initio Spanish SL
- G3—History HL
- G4—IB Biology SL, IB Biology HL,
or IB Chemistry HL
- G5—IB Math SL
- G6—IB Theatre SL, IB Visual Arts HL
- TOK—Theory of Knowledge

Cost

Currently the IB program costs include a \$168 registration fee and \$116 per subject for a total of \$864 per student.

*Fees are subject to increase by IB.