

Potential International Baccalaureate Students 9th and 10th Grade Course Recommendations

This course list shows both required and recommended courses as preparation for success in the International Baccalaureate Programme. If a student's schedule allows for participation in the recommended course, this will enhance preparation for IB. We encourage students to participate in honors (HN) courses prior to IB, but it is not a requirement. They may elect to enroll in certain AP courses in the 9th and 10th grades.

| Subject | Courses |
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| English (IB Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature) (Minimum 2 credits complete before entering IB) | <u>Required</u> : English 1 & 2 SEM/HN |
| | <u>Recommended</u> : English 3 SEM/HN |
| World Language (IB Group 2: Language acquisition) (Minimum 2 credits complete before entering IB) | <u>Required</u> : French, German, Latin, or Spanish 1, 2, & 3 SEM/HN (3 Credits should be in the same language) |
| | <u>Recommended</u> : French, German, Latin, or Spanish 4 HN or 5 HN (There are options for students who do not meet the World Language requirements.) |
| Social Studies (IB Group 3: Individuals and Societies) (Minimum 1 credit complete before entering IB) | <u>Economics SL</u> = <u>Required</u> : Algebra 2 |
| | <u>Psychology SL</u> = <u>Required</u> : English 2 SEM/HN <i>and</i> Algebra 2 TH/HN |
| | <u>Business Management SL</u> = <u>Required</u> : Integrated Business Applications |
| | <u>History HL</u> = <u>Required</u> : World Geography SEM/HN <i>or</i> World History SEM/HN <u>Recommended</u> : AP Government <i>or</i> AP Human Geography <i>or</i> AP World History |
| Science (IB Group 4: Sciences) (Minimum 2 credits complete before entering IB) | <u>Required</u> : Biology 1 SEM/HN <i>and</i> one other science course |
| | <u>Recommended</u> : Chemistry SEM/HN <i>or</i> Physical Science SEM/HN <i>or</i> AP Biology Prep Lab HN and AP Biology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in a statistics course is recommended for IB Biology (Probability and Statistics TH <i>or</i> AP Statistics) |
| Math (IB Group 5: Mathematics) (Minimum 3 credits complete before entering IB) | <u>Math Studies SL</u> = <u>Required</u> : Algebra 1 TH/HN <i>and</i> 2 TH/HN <i>and</i> Geometry TH/HN |
| | <u>Math SL</u> = <u>Required</u> : Algebra 1 TH/HN <i>and</i> 2 TH/HN <i>and</i> Geometry TH/HN <u>Recommended</u> : PS Theory |

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| The Arts (IB Group 6: The Arts) (Minimum 2 credits complete before entering IB) | <u>Visual Arts</u> = <u>Required</u> : Art 1, Art 2, Art 3 HN or 2-D HN/3-D Design HN |
| | <u>Dance</u> = <u>Required</u> : Dance 1, 2, 3 HN |
| | <u>Theatre</u> = <u>Required</u> : Theatre 1, 2, 3 HN |
| Requirements (*These courses must be completed prior to 11 th grade) | Leadership 21 PE <i>or</i> JROTC Computer Science |

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**South Carolina Diploma Requirements and
the International Baccalaureate Diploma Requirements
State Department of Education**

| <u>South Carolina Diploma Requirements</u> | <u>Typical IB Diploma Candidate</u> |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| English 4 units | 4-5 units |
| Math 4 units | 4-6 units |
| Science 3 units | 4-7 units |
| Social Studies 3 units | 4 units |
| US History 1 | US History 1 |
| Government ½ | Government ½ |
| Economics ½ | Economics ½ |
| Other 1 | Other 2 |
| PE/ROTC 1 unit | 1 unit |
| Computer Science 1 unit | 1 unit |
| Foreign Language 1 unit | 4-5 units |
| Electives 7 unit (including the health requirement) | 8 or more units |
| 24 units | 28-32 ⁺ units |

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