

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) DIPLOMA PROGRAM



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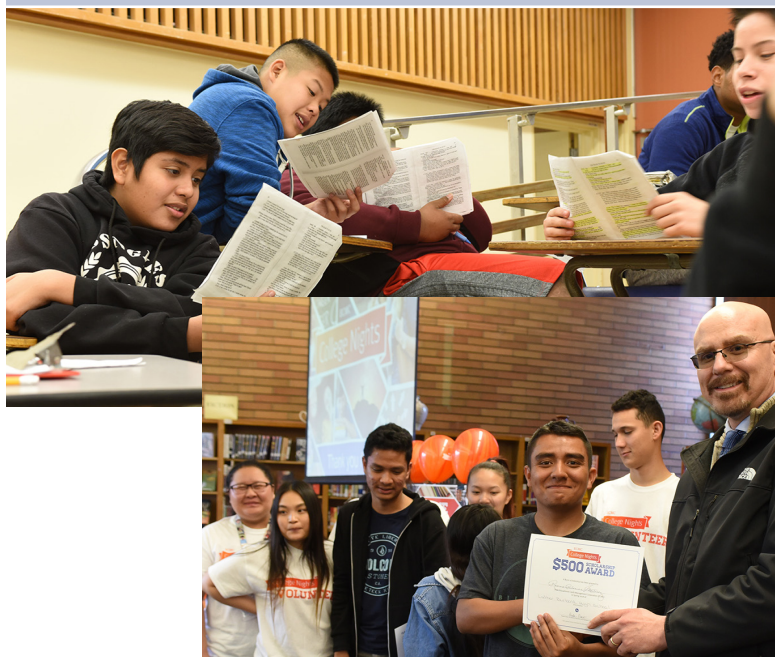
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Developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program is an international college education offered in a high school setting. For this reason, students have increased academic expectations which include yet are not limited to independent reading, independent research, developing hypotheses, drafting and revising multiple essays, independent and group study, note-taking, and personal organization. The IB Diploma Program challenging two-year curriculum, primarily aimed for students in 11th and 12th grades, is widely recognized by the world's leading universities. Students who complete all aspects of the diploma program are eligible to earn the IB Diploma. Certificate candidates are those students who are enrolled in one or more IB courses, but have not met all of the requirements to earn an IB Diploma.



WHAT I LIKE
ABOUT **my**
program



"IB classes helped prepare me for college. The studying and the amount of hard work I put in as an IB student enhanced my learning skills as a college student now. Some **benefits of taking IB classes is learning how to write great essays, gain experience in different class projects, and become a well rounded ambassador for your community.** The course itself is rigorous however it is feasible for any high school student who desires to make a difference through their education. The community amongst teachers and students in the IB program motivated me to excel in my studies. Also, **the willingness the teachers displayed to their students showed that they cared about our education.**

— Kelsey Arironang, Class of 2017

IB at Luther Burbank Student Outcomes

- Students leaving our IB diploma program are bilingual or trilingual, knowledgeable in advanced math and science, understand research methodology, develop and maintain a sense of inquisitiveness, explore a variety of cultures, develop an understanding of environmental issues, and give back to their community.

IB helped me think critically and analytically which helped me not only for college but also for the real world. The **struggles and challenges from IB resonates the real challenges you will face in college and through your career** afterwards and it's always best to be prepared in high school.

— Stevie Phothisane, Class of 2011

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PRE-IB CURRICULUM		IB DIPLOMA CURRICULUM	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 9th and 10th grade years prepare students for the IB diploma program. Pre-IB is not an official IB program. Rather, it is a Luther Burbank High School honors program specifically designed to develop the skills and knowledge required for the diploma program. 		<p>All Diploma Program students must engage in these three activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The extended essay has a prescribed limit of 4,000 words. It offers the opportunity to investigate a topic of individual interest, and acquaints students with the independent research and writing skills expected at university. The interdisciplinary TOK course is designed to provide coherence by exploring the nature of knowledge across disciplines, encouraging an appreciation of other cultural perspectives. Participation in the school's CAS program encourages students to be involved in artistic pursuits, sports and community service work, thus fostering students' awareness and appreciation of life outside the academic arena. 	
9 th GRADE COURSES	10 th GRADE COURSES	11 th GRADE COURSES	12 th GRADE COURSES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced English 9 Hmong or Spanish 1 Geography and Contemporary Issues Math I, Math II or Math II Plus Physical Education Biology or Advanced Biology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced English 10 Hmong or Spanish 2 World History Math II, Math II Plus Math III Plus Chemistry Physical Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IB Spanish Language & Literature Higher Level I IB Spanish B Higher Level I IB English Language & Literature Higher Level I IB English Literature Higher Level I IB Mathematical Studies Standard Level I IB Theory of Knowledge IB History of America Higher Level I IB Information Technology in a Global Society Standard Level IB Physics Standard Level IB Math Standard Level I&II 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IB History of America Higher Level II IB Environmental Systems and Societies Standard Level IB Biology Standard Level IB Math Studies Standard Level IB Spanish Language & Literature Higher Level II IB Spanish B Higher Level II IB English Language & Literature Higher Level II IB English Literature Higher Level II IB Mathematics Standard Level II

PROGRAM ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Enrolled in advanced, GATE or honors courses is recommended, but not required.
- Test as proficient or advanced in Math and/or English on SBAC/CAASSPP is recommended, but not required.
- All students at Burbank can choose to take one or more IB courses in the 11th and 12th grade.
- Maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA

* You will be placed on academic probation if your grades are lower than 'C'. An Exit Interview and/or parent conference will be scheduled, and your transcript will be reviewed to determine if an alternative schedule would be appropriate.

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