

# The International Baccalaureate



at Warwick High School  
Newport News Public School

# Historical Background



- International
  - began over 40 years ago
  - Geneva, Switzerland
  - objective: curriculum continuity compatible to mobility
  
- National
  - began in private & international schools
  - now in public schools
  - objectives: preparation for college and international understanding
  
- Local
  - Warwick High School- Diploma Program
  - Passage Middle School- Middle Years Program
  - Dutrow Elementary- Primary Years Program

Newport News Public Schools offers an IB education from kindergarten through the 12th grade, the first area school system to do so.

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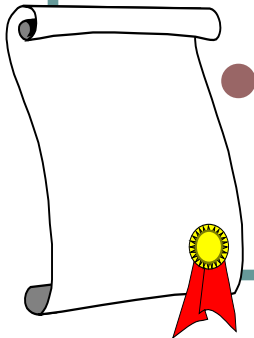
# Now

- 2 Diploma schools
- 2 Countries
- 1 US school
- 7 VA schools
- Recognized by few colleges
- DP only

- 1000+ Diploma schools
- 100+ Countries
- 300+ US schools
- 45 VA schools
- Most colleges have an IB policy statement
- DP, MYP, PYP

# Warwick History

- Began our affiliation 13 years ago
- Have now graduated twelve classes
- Approximately 80 percent received the diploma
- Ninety percent earn a 4 or higher on IB exams
- Graduates earned over \$6 million dollars in scholarships



# What is it?

- A two-year program of study for students 16-19 years of age
- A high quality curriculum that aims to encourage critical thinking by the study of traditional disciplines while encouraging an international perspective
- A program designed for the academically able student who can function across the curriculum and who has learned to manage time well

# Objectives



- Approach to education is not encyclopedic; emphasis is on helping students to learn how to learn, how to analyze
- Educate the “whole person”
- Encourage students to appreciate cultures and attitudes other than their own and to be informed, tolerant and willing to communicate with others

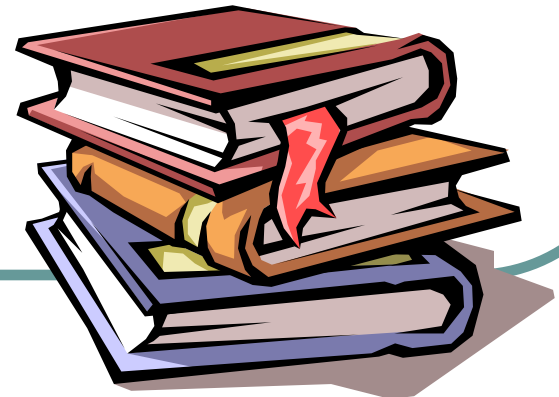
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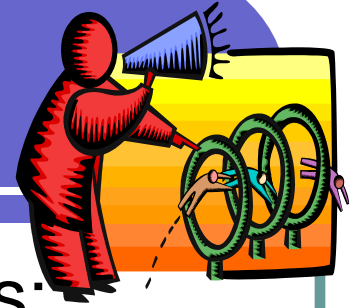
- International acceptability allows for flexibility/mobility
- Provides a broad general education while allowing for a specialized study in areas corresponding to the individual's particular interests and plans for the future

# Unique qualities of the program

- Provides an international education-preparing students as global citizens
- Establishes a well-designed interdisciplinary liberal arts curriculum using the best practices of the world
- Places an emphasis on developing a strong critical thinker and a skilled learner
- Permits international mobility



# Diploma Requirements



- Successful completion of six IB courses: English, Math, Science, Language, History, and an IB elective
- Successful completion of the course- Theory of Knowledge
- Completion of 150 hours of CAS- creativity, action, and service projects
- Completion of a 4000 word independent research paper

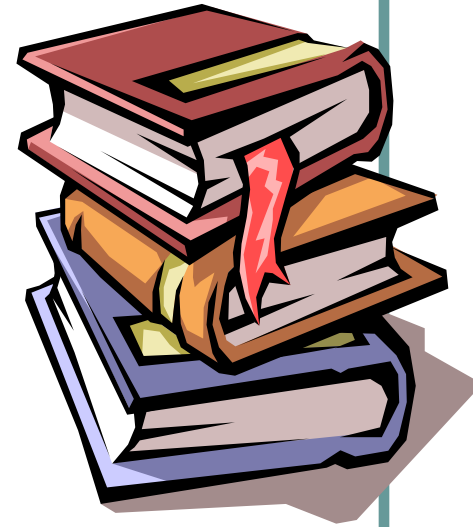
# IB 11 & 12

- IB English HL
- IB History HL
- IB Foreign Language SL-  
Spanish, German, French
- IB Science-  
Biology SL/HL, Chemistry SL, Physics  
SL, or Environmental Systems SL
- IB Math SL/HL



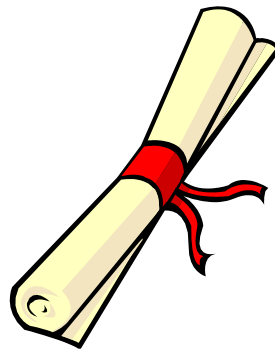
# IB Electives

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  - Social Anthropology SL
  - Psychology SL
  - Art/Design SL/HL
  - Music HL/SL
  - Business & Management SL
  - Philosophy SL
  - Information Technology in a Global Society SL
  - Theatre Arts HL/SL
  - IB Film SL



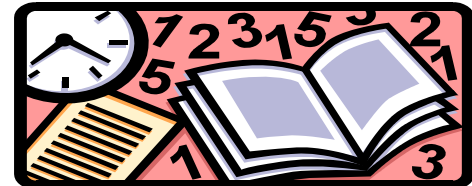
# Additional Diploma Requirements

- Theory of Knowledge
- Extended Essay
- CAS-Creativity, Action, Service



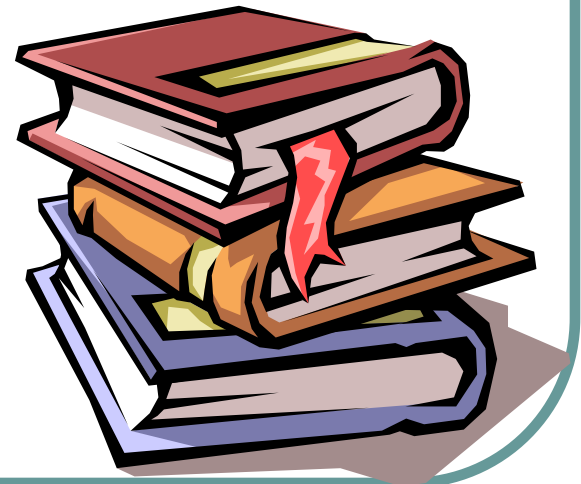
# Pre-Diploma classes at Warwick High School

- For grades 9 and 10
- Designed to:
  - Maintain high expectations of students/work
  - Assist in the development of study skills: note taking, test taking, essay development, oral presentations, critical analysis, research
  - Assist in the development of life skills: time management, organization
  - Emphasize IB themes
  - Use IB techniques
  - Collaborate with IB staff to design instruction



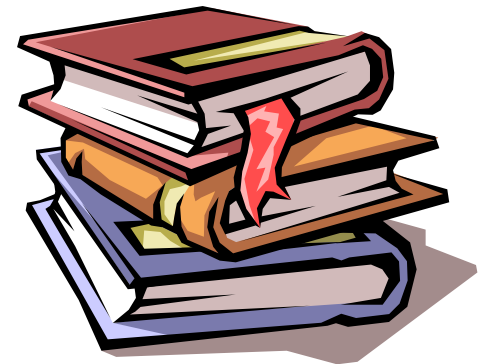
# PreDiploma 9

- Pre-Dip English
- Pre-Dip AP World History
- Pre-Dip Geometry or Alg2/Trig
- Pre-Dip Biology
- Foreign Language
- PE/Health
- Fine or Practical Art



# PreDiploma 10

- Pre-Dip English
- Pre-Dip AP Comparative Government
- Pre-Dip Algebra 2/Trig or Math Analysis
- Pre-Dip Chemistry
- Pre-Dip Foreign Language
- PE/Health



# Admission Criteria

- Prerequisite Coursework
- 3.0 GPA+
- Teacher Recommendations
- Writing Sample
- Personal Interview
- Signed Admission Agreement



# Benefits of participation...



- Challenging curriculum
- Emphasis on global perspectives, interdisciplinary instruction, oral and written expression
- Preparation for college!!!!
- Jump start for college admission
- Advanced placement/college credit

# Profile of an IB graduate



- Has set high academic goals
- Writes well-developed analytical essays
- Has oral proficiency in a second language
- Is articulate in several subjects
- Takes an interest in international affairs
- Is a school and community leader
- Participates in several activities both in school and in the community
- Has applied to several highly selective colleges

## Applicants who make the decision to participate must...

- Show motivation to do rigorous course work
- Complete an application online
- Maintain honor roll status
- Write an essay
- Be interviewed
- Have teacher recommendations



Note- students who leave the IB Program must return to their zoned school.

# To complete an application...

- Go online to [warwick.nn.k12.va.us/ib](http://warwick.nn.k12.va.us/ib)
- Complete the application online
- Get 5 teacher recommendations
- Save it with your name and send it by email as an attachment to [patty.chaney@nn.k12.va.us](mailto:patty.chaney@nn.k12.va.us)

# For more information

- IB Info Night-January 4, 2012
- [www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org)
- [warwick.nn.k12.va.us/ib](http://warwick.nn.k12.va.us/ib)
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