



# ON GAINING THE IB DIPLOMA THE IMPORTANCE OF THE IA

Virtual Parent Meeting #1

# What is the Internal Assessment?



- An assigned task/piece of work which is assessed internally and moderated externally
- A percentage of this piece of work combines with the examination grade to determine the final grade
- The bonus is that this piece of work is done under the teacher's supervision.

# Statistics from the past have shown



- Students with strong IA scores get the best overall score when this is added to the May examination score.
- Students with strong IA scores get the diploma.

# The Process



- The teacher for each subject has been trained to instruct the students in the proper format and expectations of the IA.
- This is explained to the student when the assignment is made. All of the guidelines are given to make sure that the product is efficiently executed.

# The Process



- A deadline for the product completion is given and in most cases, there is a timeline in place to expect portions of the final product along the way so that the teacher can supervise the progress.
- The teacher examines the product and makes suggestions as to how to improve it and gives a final deadline for submission with the corrections.

# What is expected for each class?

- English-Two world literature papers-25% and one formal oral commentary-25%
- History-Historical Research Paper-20%

- Math-Portfolio or Project-20%
- Biology/Physics/  
Environmental Systems-  
Laboratory  
Workbook-24%
- Foreign Language-  
Oral presentation-  
30%

# What is expected for each class?

- Psychology-Research Investigation-20%
- Social Anthropology-Ethnography-20%-25%
- Art Design-Studio work and research workbook 30%-70%
- Music-Performance and Composition 50%
- Theatre Arts-Performance 25% and Portfolio 25%
- Philosophy-Philosophical analysis 20%
- Business & Management-Written Commentary 25%

# Our progress so far...

- The seniors completed their IAs for language and the elective that will count toward their diploma when they were juniors and they have scores for their work already which will be added to what they do this year.
- **The English and History IAs have been turned in.**
  - Half of the students turned in quality work on time.
  - Half of the students either did not turn the work in or turned in work of poor quality.

# Our progress so far...

- The seniors are working on their IAs for math, science and an elective that may be the third HL class for them.
- Teachers will be contacting you if the IA is not turned in or if the IA needs additional work.

# Strong scores

- Can be used for advanced placement in college
- Can be used for gaining college credit
- Can be used to eliminate the need to take basic requirements in college
- **This is a big savings for you!**



As a member of your child's academic team...

please help  
us to keep  
your child  
focused on  
the prize.

