

## IB MISSION STATEMENT

The International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end, the IBO works with schools, governments, and international organizations to develop challenging programs of international education and rigorous assessment. These programs encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.



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# INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM



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## WHAT IS IB?

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The International Baccalaureate (IB) Program is a nonprofit educational foundation that helps develop the intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills of students to live, learn and work in a rapidly globalizing world. There are more than 1,139,000 IB students at 3,677 schools in 146 countries.

## PROGRAMS

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IB offers four programs for students age 3 to 19 that include curriculum, student assessment, professional development for educators and a process of school authorization and evaluation. The programs can be offered individually or as a continuum.

- The Primary Years Program (PYP) for students age 3 to 12 focuses on the development of the whole child in the classroom and in the world outside.

- The Middle Years Program (MYP) for students age 11 to 16 provides a framework of academic challenge and life skills, achieved through embracing and transcending traditional school subjects.
- The Diploma Program (DP) for students age 16 to 19 is a demanding two-year curriculum leading to final examinations and a qualification that is welcomed by leading universities around the world.
- The Career-related Certificate (IBCC) for students age 16 to 19 is the newest offering from the IB. The IBCC incorporates the vision and educational principles of the IB programs into a unique offering specifically designed for students who wish to engage in career-related learning.

The MYP and PYP programs are meant to get students ready to enter the DP Program. Eventually, students may graduate with an IB Diploma which demonstrates their high level of preparation.



## IB PROGRAM IN CLOVER PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Clover Park School District has implemented the IB program at Idlewild Elementary School and Harrison Preparatory School.

### IDLEWILD ELEMENTARY

Idlewild Elementary was authorized as an IB Primary Years Program (PYP) in 2014, the first in Pierce County. The PYP is for kindergarten through fifth-grade students. The school began the IB process in 2010-11, began implementing program elements on a trial basis starting in the 2012-13 school year and applied for authorization in fall 2013.

### HARRISON PREP

The IB Middle Years (MYP) started at Harrison Prep in 2008 with support from the Rotary Club of Lakewood. Harrison Prep was authorized as an IB Middle Years Program in 2011, which is for students in grades 6-10. The school was accepted as a candidate school for the IB Diploma Program in summer 2013. There are no entry requirements for IB programs. Students enrolled at Harrison Prep take the MYP courses.