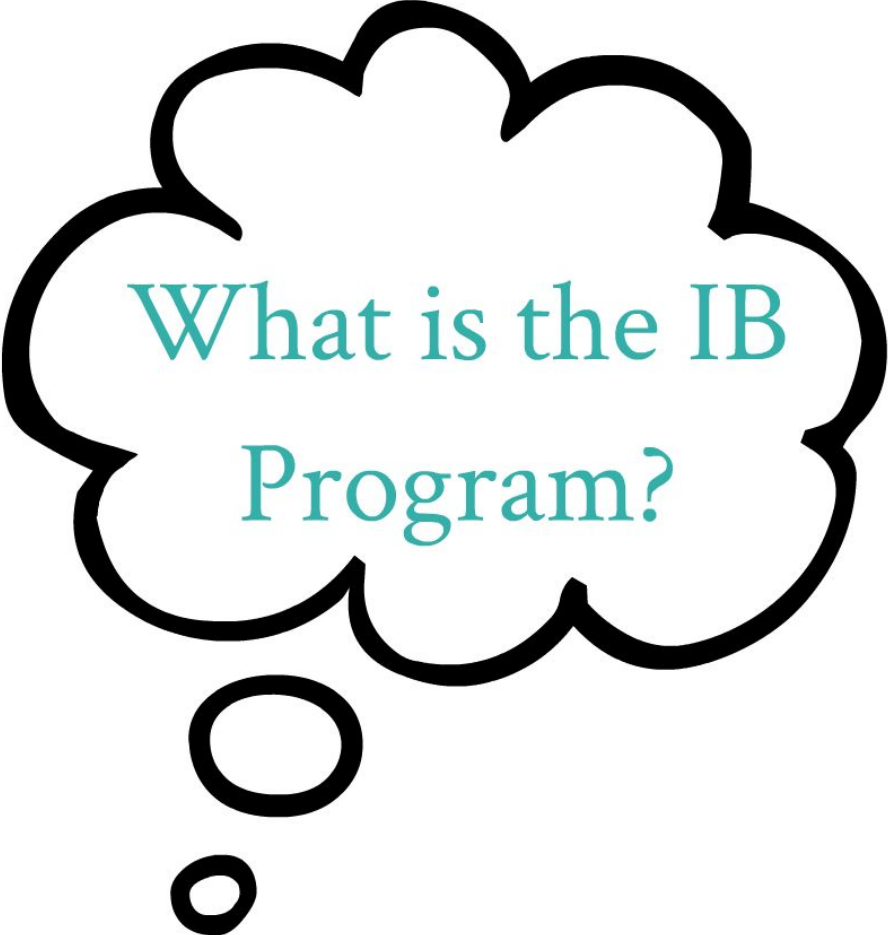




# International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

*Preparing Students for a Rapidly Globalizing World*



What is the IB  
Program?



- IB is a non-profit organization founded in Geneva, Switzerland in 1968
- Challenging, rigorous course of study
- Designed to prepare students for challenges after high school
- International curriculum created by educators around the world



# Skills Developed in IB Courses



WRITING

THINKING

Speaking

Research

Time Management



# IB learner profile

**IB learners strive to be:**

- inquirers
- knowledgeable
- thinkers
- communicators
- principled
- open-minded
- caring
- risk-takers
- balanced
- reflective



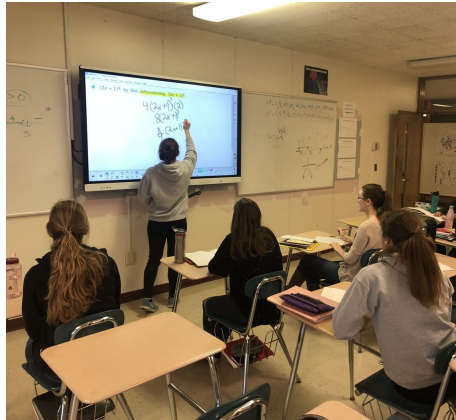
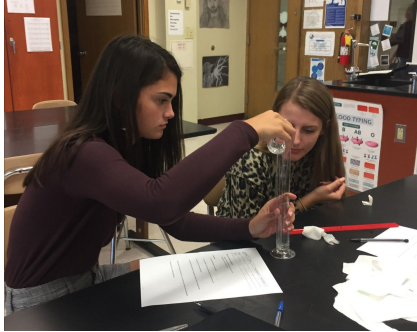
# Qualities of an IB Student

MOTIVATED

SELF-DISCIPLINED

HARD-WORKING

LIKE A CHALLENGE





# The Diploma Programme at MCHS



## TWO OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS

### Full Diploma Students

- Take 6 IB courses
- Take Theory of Knowledge course
- Engage in experiences outside of the program in creativity, activity and service (CAS)
- Complete a research paper

### Course Students

- Take 1 - 4 individual IB courses
- Geared toward a student with an aptitude for or an interest in particular subjects

# Course Offerings

## Group 1: Language & Literature

- English Literature HL (2 years)

## Group 2: Language Acquisition

- Spanish SL (2 years)
- French SL (2 years)

## Group 3: Individuals & Societies

- History HL (2 years)
- Psychology SL (1 year)
- Psychology HL (2 years)

## Group 4: Sciences

- Biology SL (1 year)
- Biology HL (2 years)
- Physics SL (1 year)

## Group 5: Mathematics

- Mathematics Analysis Pre-Calc/Calculus (2 years)
- Mathematics Applications (1 year)

## Group 6: The Arts

- Music SL (1 year)
- Visual Arts SL/HL (2 years)

HL = “Higher Level” (go into more depth, cover more topics)

SL = “Standard Level”



# Examples of Full Diploma Schedules

**Full Diploma students must take one subject from each group.**

*Instead of group 6, however, students may take a Psychology or a second Science, but may not take a second Math.*

**Full Diploma students typically take 3 HL and 3 SL subjects.**

## Example 1:

Group 1: English A: Literature **HL**

Group 2: Spanish or French **SL**

Group 3: History **HL**

Group 4: Biology **HL**

Group 5: Math Applications or Analysis **SL**

Group 6 options: Psych **SL**, Art **SL**, Physics **SL** or Music **SL**

## Example 2:

Group 1: English A: Literature **HL**

Group 2: Spanish or French **SL**

Group 3: History **HL**

Group 4: Biology **SL** or Physics **SL**

Group 5: Math Applications or Analysis **SL**

Group 6 options: Psych **HL** or Art **HL**

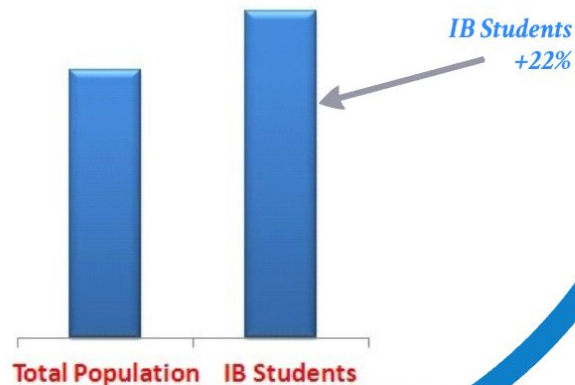
# Student Assessment

- **External assessments**
  - Sent around the world to be graded
  - Take exams at the end of the course
- **Internal assessments**
  - Practical, real-world application of material

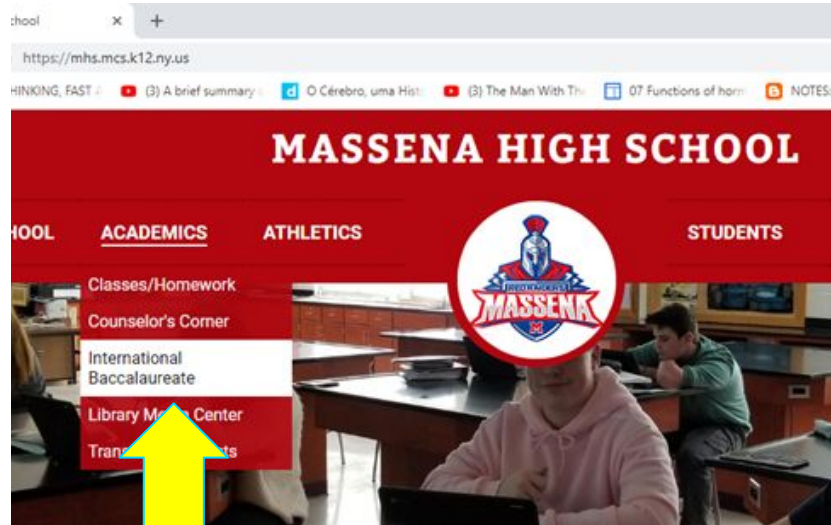
## IB can result in...

advantages in the admission process,  
students receiving scholarships, more  
financial aid, and college credit.

Average College Acceptance Rates



~IBDP Graduate Destinations Survey 2011/12



## More Information...

**Mrs. Normile, Room 802**

**[jnormile@mcs.k12.ny.us](mailto:jnormile@mcs.k12.ny.us)**

**<http://www.ibo.org>**

**Guidance Counselors**