

HOME OF THE WILDCATS

Winter Park High School was established in 1927 and was one of the first public high schools in the county. It is comprised of two campuses separated by approximately three miles between our Ninth Grade Center and the Main Campus.

WPHS has a total enrollment of 3,470 students, with a senior class of 786. The student body is approximately 27% Hispanic, 10% African American, 7% Asian, 51% White, and 3% Multiracial. Approximately 40% of our students qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch. Our faculty includes 205 teachers.

WPHS received an "A" grade in 2019-20. In addition, WPHS is ranked by the U.S. News and World Report in the Top 10% Nation-wide (out of more than 20,000 schools). Over 80% of the class of 2020 was accepted to a two or four-year college or university. The class of 2020 was offered over \$8,000,000 in scholarship dollars, and 246 of our students received the Bright Futures scholarship.



THE IB AT WINTER PARK HIGH

Winter Park's IB Diploma Programme was started in 1985, and is one of the first diploma programmes in the state of Florida. There are 197 IB seniors in the Class of 2020. Winter Park currently offers the Diploma Programme and the new Career-Related Programme. Worldwide, approximately 79% of IB Diploma candidates successfully earned the diploma. At Winter Park, the 2020 IB Diploma pass rate was 84%. The 2020 IB Career-related Certificate pass rate was 100%. Currently at WPHS, the CP programme is offered to students enrolled in PLTW Biomedical Sciences, Digital Video Production, NJROTC, NJROTC Aviation, and Culinary.



WHAT IS AN IB EDUCATION?

The IB continuum of international education is unique because of its academic and personal rigour. We challenge students to excel in their studies and in their personal development. We aim to inspire a love of learning throughout life that is marked by enthusiasm and empathy.

The IB aspires to help schools develop well-rounded students who respond to challenges with optimism and an open mind, are confident in their own identities, make ethical decisions, join with others in celebrating our common humanity and are prepared to apply what they learn in real-world, complex and unpredictable situations.

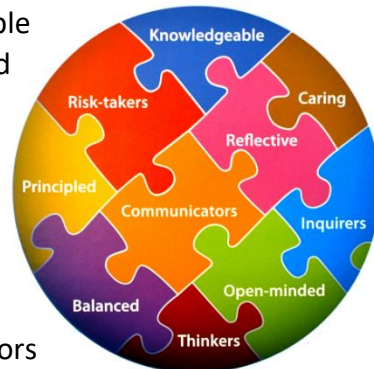
An IB education:

- focuses on learners
- develops approaches to teaching and learning
- works within global contexts
- explores significant content

The IB Learner Profile

IB Learners strive to be:

- Knowledgeable
- Open-minded
- Principled
- Thinkers
- Caring
- Balanced
- Reflective
- Risk-takers
- Communicators



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BENEFITS OF THE IB PROGRAMME

- develops strong academic, social and emotional characteristics
- incorporates the best educational elements from around the world
- provides an academic environment of similarly motivated students
- meets the needs of highly motivated and academically talented students
- qualifies students for advanced standing at colleges and universities in North America and around the world
- qualifies students who receive the IB Diploma for the **Florida Bright Futures Scholarship**
- provides a comprehensive curriculum taught by faculty trained by the International Baccalaureate Organization
- inspires students to investigate and understand knowledge claims and judgments made in logic, mathematics, natural and social sciences, history, ethics and aesthetics
- provides high accountability for achievement through internal assessments and exit examinations
- become more culturally aware
- engage with people in an increasingly globalized, rapidly changing world.
- teaches curriculum from a global perspective



WHAT IS THE IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME?

The IB Diploma Programme (DP) is an academically challenging and balanced programme of education, with final examinations, that prepares students aged 16 to 19 for success at university and in life beyond.

It has been designed to address the intellectual, social, emotional, and physical well-being of students. The programme has gained recognition and respect from the world's leading educators and universities.

DP students must choose one course from each of 6 subject groups delivering a breadth of knowledge and understanding in language and literature, individuals and societies, the sciences, mathematics, and the arts.

Of the 6 IB courses, at least three, and not more than four, are taken at Higher Level (HL) and includes 240 teaching hours. While the other courses are taken at Standard Level (SL) and includes 150 teaching hours. SL courses expose students to a range of disciplines that they might otherwise opt out of, and HL courses allow students to spend more time with subjects they find more interesting and passionate.

In addition to disciplinary and interdisciplinary study, the DP features 3 **Core** elements that broaden students' educational experience and challenge them to apply their knowledge and skills:

- **Theory of Knowledge**
- **Creativity, Action, and Service (CAS)**
 - **Extended Essay**



WHAT IS THE IB CAREER PROGRAMME?

The IB Career-related Programme (CP) is designed for students interested in pursuing a career-related education in the final two years of secondary school. It provides them with an excellent foundation to support their further studies, as well as ensure their preparedness for success in the workforce.

Every student in the IB CP must select at least two subjects from the six IB course areas to be studied and tested at either Higher Level (HL) or the Standard Level (SL), along with their career pathway in either Biomedical Sciences, Digital Video Production NJROTC, NJROTC Aviation, or Culinary.

In addition, the CP **Core** elements bridge the IB academic courses and the student's career-related study which provides students with a combination of academic and practical skills:

- **Personal and Professional Skills**
 - **Service Learning**
 - **Reflective Project**
 - **Language Development**

The CP enables students to:

- follow their chosen education and career pathways
- think critically and creatively
- communicate effectively in a variety of situations
- apply their knowledge to real-world scenarios
- work independently and in collaboration with others
- consider new perspectives and other points of view
- develop greater self-confidence and self-awareness



APPLYING TO THE WINTER PARK IB PROGRAMMES

- Students applying to either Winter Park IB Programme must be zoned for WPHS
- Students can find the IB Application on the WPHS Website under the Academics tab: <https://winterparkhs.ocps.net/>
- All students applying are required to fill out the application, obtain 3 recommendations, and upload a self-interview video
- Informational meeting2 will be held for all interested students. Meetings are announced on the WPHS Website under the Academics tab: <https://winterparkhs.ocps.net/>
- Current 9th and 10th grade students interested in the IB programmes need to complete the online application and speak with Mr. Blackmon or Ms. Rowland-Cechman, our Freshmen Campus WP Pre-IB Liaison, about the requirements for entering the programme.

Typical WP Pre-IB Ninth Grade Schedule

- WP Pre-IB English I
- Geometry Honors, Algebra II Honors or IB Pre-Calculus
- AP Human Geography
- WP Pre-IB Biology I
- WP Pre-IB French or Spanish – level I or 2
- Elective (or a career pathway if IB CP)
- Elective

