

The International Baccalaureate Programme at Victoria Park CI 2022-2023



What is the IB?

"The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect."

- It offers a global curriculum
- It is a standardized programme of study recognized around the world
- There are over 5000+ IB schools

https://www.ibo.org/benefits/





Which Schools offer IB?

- 1) Victoria Park Cl
- 2) Monarch Park Cl
- 3) Parkdale Cl
- 4) Sir Wilfrid Laurier Cl
- 5) Weston Cl

Advantages of the IB Diploma

- Challenges motivated students
- Offers a well-rounded, enriched education
- Advanced standing at university
- May enhance scholarship applications



Which Universities Accept IB Diplomas?



- Universities worldwide recognize the IB Diploma Programme, including leading Canadian, US, and UK institutions
- Scores on IB assessments are a significant predictor of performance in university
- IB Diploma graduates perform well

All of our IB grads have been accepted to university.



Canadian

International

- University of Toronto*
- University of Waterloo* •
- McMaster University* •
- Western University* •
- McGill University
- Queen's University •
- York University •
- UBC*, among others

- Princeton*
- UC Berkeley*
- University of Chicago
- University of Pennsylvania
- Cambridge
- Harvard
- Yale
- Duke*
- Cornell, among others

* Top destinations for our 2020 & 2021 Grads

Is IB for you? Yes, if you...

- want a challenging academic curriculum
- are already involved in your community and in extra-curricular activities
- are self-motivated, organized, and have excellent time management skills
- are achieving Level 4 in all subjects
- plan to attend university



VPCI Pre-Baccalaureate Programme - Grades 9 & 10



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

- Ontario curriculum at an accelerated pace
- ★ Extra units and activities specific to IB
- ★ IB Learner Profile focus

Pre-Baccalaureate Courses

Grade 9

- English
- French
- Geography
- Math
- Science
- Gr. 10 Computer Studies OR Gr. 10 Civics & Careers*
- Physical Education*
- Drama or Music or Visual Arts*

*These courses are not IB-prep specific

Grade 10

- English
- French & Gr. 11 French
- Gr. 11 Economics OR Gr. 11 Geography
- Math
- Science
- Gr. 11 Computer Studies**
- Open elective course option*

Note:

If the Computer Studies option is chosen, Civics and Careers must be taken in Summer School following the student's Grade 9 year.

Students may wish to take a Grade 11 academic science course in summer school after their Grade 10 year.

**Only for students who took Gr. 10 Computer Studies.

Full IB Diploma Programme - Grades 11 & 12



Course Options at VPCI

Students must take a course from each of the subject groups, and two from Group 4.

IB Core - CAS/TOK/EE

- Theory of Knowledge Course Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature
 - English HL

Group 2: Language Acquisition

French SL

Group 3: Individuals & Societies

- Economics SL & HL
- Geography SL

Group 4: Experimental Sciences

- Chemistry HL/SL
- Computer Science HL/SL
- Biology SL
- Physics SL

Group 5: Mathematics

• Mathematics HL

In addition to subject work, IB students must also complete their IB Core requirements:







Earning the IB Diploma

- Complete three Core Components (CAS, EE, TOK)
- Class work (Internal Assessment) & May IB exams (External Assessment)
- All subjects graded on a point scale from 1 7

Total points must be 24 minimum, 12 total in HL subjects

Maximum students can earn?

42 points from courses (3 HL and 3 SL subjects)

+3 from Core Components

= ___/45 diploma points

In the last two years, 25 graduates have attained 40 points or higher. We have also had a number of **students receive a perfect score of 45/45 ---including a student in our 2021 graduating class**!

IB Scale & Ontario Grade Equivalents

- In order to report IB marks on an Ontario transcript, the IB Diploma Schools of Ontario Table of Equivalents (ToE) is applied.
- The scale was developed in conjunction with the IB Schools of Ontario and Ontario Universities. It is very similar to the scale used in B.C. and Alberta.

IBSO Table of Equivalent Grades

IB 7-point Scale	OSSD % Ranges
7	97 – 100%
6	93 - 96%
5	84 – 92%
4	72 – 83%
3	61 – 71%
2	50 to 60%
1	Below 50%

Common Questions & Answers

- 1. Is there more homework?
 - a. Yes, expect there to be more homework.
- 2. Are there fees?
 - a. Not yet, but we know they are coming. We anticipate the fees to be \$1500 for Gr. 11 and \$1500 for Gr. 12= \$3000
- 3. Do I have to know a lot of French?
 - a. No, but we recommend applicants to be achieving 80% or more in middle school French.
- 4. What if I have difficulty in a subject?
 - a. Ask for help!
- 5. What marks do I need to advance?
 - a. We expect students enrolled in the Pre-Baccalaureate Programme to maintain a minimum of 75% in their courses.



Common Questions & Answers

6. Is late entry permitted?

- a) Yes, but it is often challenging due to limited space and course structuring.
- 7. How will applications be assessed?
 - a) Each application will be assessed by considering the applicant's academic achievement, learning skills, teacher comments, and Personal Response.
- 8. How do I apply?
 - a) All applicants are required to complete the Application Google Form at the following link: <u>https://forms.gle/wwcyN3gqu8rxjdRh8</u>





Thank you for your interest in the Pre-Baccalaureate Programme at VPCI!

