



## International Baccalaureate Mission Viejo High School



### What is IB?

IB is a 2 year advanced programme of study which begins in 11th grade.

- IB presents students with a challenging and stimulating program.
- IB emphasizes the philosophy of applied knowledge rather than mere book learning
- IB provides students with an interdisciplinary education with a “global” perspective.
- IB encourages students to be well-rounded and civically responsible.
- IB prepares students with academic and life skills necessary to be successful in the 21st century.
- IB provides students with excellent preparation for the rigor of college and university

### Who is eligible for IB?

Although academic excellence is an essential criteria, success in the program also depends to a great degree on motivation and character. Our IB diploma students have diverse interests. Many of them also take part in our school drama, music and athletic programs.

### What should intermediate school students do to prepare for IB?

In addition to taking honors courses in middle school, students must enter 9th grade ready for Biology in order to be on track to complete a 1st year IB course as an 11th grader. Additionally, 9th grade students must take either Spanish or French, beginning no later than 9th grade, in order to complete IB's foreign language requirements. (Please note that all IB and IB prerequisite courses must be taken at MVHS).

### Sample Schedule

English Honors  
AP Human Geography  
Algebra Honors or Geometry Honors  
Biology Honors  
French or Spanish  
Sport or P.E.



IB CAS Club painted pumpkins 2023

### Who can I contact for more information?

IB Co-Coordinators: Mrs. Beaman ([alissa.beaman@svusd.org](mailto:alissa.beaman@svusd.org)). You can also visit our MVHS IB page for detailed information.