

## Wichita High School East • International Baccalaureate Diploma Program

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#### WICHITA HIGH SCHOOL EAST ADMISSIONS POLICY

#### When does a student enter IB?

Students normally enter the International Baccalaureate program as freshmen and enroll in the East High Pre-IB (PIB) program of studies for the ninth and tenth grades. The East High PIB program comprises a specific sequence of 9th and 10th grade courses at East High, designed toprepare students for the rigors of the formal IB diploma program encountered during the eleventh and twelfth grades. Under exceptional circumstances, students completing ninth grade elsewhere can be admitted into the EHS pre-IB program as sophomores. We do not consider admittance for juniors and seniors unless they have been pursuing an IB diploma at another IB school.

### HOW IS A STUDENT ACCEPTED TO IB?

Admission into the Wichita High School East IB Diploma program is by application only. The selection committee evaluates six criteria: middle school transcripts, teacher references, attendance history, a writing sample, and the results of a critical thinking test. Students not selected may be put on a waiting list at the parent's request. You do not have to live inside the USD 259 boundaries to apply to the East IB Program, but only those students whose parents reside in the USD 259 attendance area & live more than 2.5 miles from East High School are eligible for transportation.

# ONCE STUDENTS ARE ACCEPTED INTO IB, CAN THEY BE REMOVED FROM THE PROGRAM?

Yes, the IB staff has the right and the responsibility to remove students from IB if their academic performance is inadequate to enable them to be successful in the program, if they violate the IB Academic Honesty Policy, or if their behavior is such that it interferes with students' opportunities to learn or teachers' opportunities to teach. All students are subject to the IB Probation and Exit Policy, which states that students must maintain a 3.0 grade average in order to remain in IB. Students not maintaining a 3.0 may be put on a semester's probation and will be given the academic help and counseling necessary to help them achieve the 3.0 average. If at the end of the probationary semester a student has not earned a 3.0, it may be in the student's best interest to exit the program. If a student's performance shows extreme deficiencies or failure in a specific critical course, exiting the program will be automatic.