

1. What is IB?

IB is an academically challenging program that prepares students for success at university and life beyond study. It has been designed to address the intellectual, social, emotional and physical well-being of students. A global perspective infuses all subject areas.

2. What kind of student is a good candidate for the IB diploma program (DP)?

- Hard working
- Committed to Learning
- Organized

3. What grade levels?

The Diploma Program is a course of study for grades 11 and 12, but pre-IB teaching and learning will happen in grades 9 and 10.

4. Must a student enroll in the full diploma program?

No, a student may choose individual IB courses.

5. Will Donovan Catholic offer AP courses?

Yes, Donovan will still offer AP courses. We are committed to meeting our student needs.

6. Do DP teachers receive special training?

Yes, all DP teachers receive professional development in the IB's approaches to teaching and approaches to learning by certified IB workshop leaders.

7. What are the advantages of an IB education?

IB World Schools are subject to a strict accreditation process monitored by IB, ensuring that schools provide a high quality education. Teaching methods and curriculums draw from the best educational practices around the world, ensuring that students are successful in the most selective colleges and universities. Students learn to think:

- Critically
- Globally
- Creatively
- Independently

8. Why did Donovan Catholic decide to become an International Baccalaureate World School?

Becoming an IB World school is part of Donovan Catholic's long-range plan to keep strides with a 21st century world. Our mission statement supports that of 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."