

The Heart of IB

Dow High World Scholars will complete the heart of the Diploma Programme. Colleges and universities have welcomed students who show a diversity of interests and the World Scholars complete the "core" of the IB program.

The core of IB includes:

The Theory of Knowledge Course

Extended Essay

Creativity, Action and Service



What next?

1. Sign up for TOK
2. Get CAS papers from Counseling Office
3. Sign up for a CAS planning talk with Ms. Pancost in the Counseling Center



TOK students performing a skit in class.

H.H. Dow High

World Scholars

The best of the IB Program.....



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For all students...

International Baccalaureate is a respected college prep curriculum that is recognized by universities around the world. Midland Public Schools is proud to offer the IB program through a generous grant from the Dow Chemical Company Foundation and other community partners.

The IB Diploma Program requires students to take courses from all academic areas as part of a pre-college liberal arts curriculum.

Dow High has a history of strong scores and successful IB Diploma Candidates. Unfortunately, not all students have the course sequence preparation necessary for completing the full IB Diploma.

Students who want to take advantage of the unique courses and programs that comprise the “core” of the IB program are encouraged to become Dow High World Scholars.

All students—regardless of academic track or language experience- can be successful World Scholars.

Students who are open-minded and reflective make wonderful World Scholars.

Requirements

Dow High World Scholars must complete the Theory of Knowledge course. In Theory of Knowledge students will complete an Extended Essay on a topic of personal interest. The Extended Essay is a research paper suitable for college-level submission.

Students also will show a commitment to developing creative, athletic and service skills outside of the classroom.

Time Commitment

World Scholars will need to enroll in the Theory of Knowledge and complete roughly 2-4 CAS hours per week. CAS is comprised of a variety of activities that many Dow High students regularly participate in.

Benefits

Recent students have returned from college visits reporting that admissions officers have advised writing entrance essays about TOK and the Extended Essay. The World Scholar elements are what distinguish an IB World School... and could help in college admissions. The reflection and analysis skills gained in TOK will help students prepare for college by increasing academic confidence and independence. All World Scholars will be recognized in the graduation program and will have their names on permanent display in the school.



Experiential Learning

Students canoeing at the Alden B. Dow Home and Studio. Second semester Theory of Knowledge meets once a week at the Home and Studio.

For More Information....

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