

THE IB DIPLOMA

Originally designed in 1968 for international schools, the IB Diploma is now a significant force in over 125 countries. The IB diploma is awarded to students who pass external examinations in six subjects, successfully complete internal assessments, present a quality extended essay, complete a Community Action Service (CAS) project and finish a course of study in the Theory of Knowledge.

ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

While enrolled in this magnet program students have the opportunity to participate in all sports teams and clubs offered at Palm Harbor University High School including but not limited to:

- Academic Team
- *The Aftermath* Yearbook
- Chess Club
- *The Eye* Newspaper
- Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)
- Hospice Teen Volunteers
- Mu Alpha Theta
- Multicultural Club
- National Honor Society
- Robotics
- Physics Club
- Youth in Government
- Student Government



POINTS OF PRIDE

- International Diploma recipient percentage is one of the highest in the world
- National Merit commended scholars, semifinalists, and finalists consistently recognized
- Graduates are accepted in outstanding institutions of higher learning world-wide
- Teachers receive numerous awards and accolades such as Teacher of the Year
- IB students donate at least 225 hours of service to the community over four years
- IB students are leaders in the school and participate in sports and hold offices in student government and clubs
- The IB Booster organization supports teachers and students with activities and funding
- Annual traditions include Senior Celebration, Junior Class Pinning, Sophomore Breakfast, and Freshmen Social

HOW TO APPLY

Students who live north of SR 60 (Gulf-to-Bay) may apply only to the International Baccalaureate Program (IB) at Palm Harbor University High School. Students who live south of Ulmerton Road may apply only to the IB Program at St. Petersburg High School. Students who live north of Ulmerton Road and south of SR 60 may apply to either program but not both. Send or bring to the school copies of the student's final report cards for grades 6 and 7; standardized test scores for grades 6 and 7; and current report card.

TRANSPORTATION

Arterial bus transportation (buses that operate on main roads with a limited number of stops) is provided to students who live more than two miles from the school. Magnet bus stop locations may require that parents drive their children to and from the stop.



OUR MISSION

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

To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

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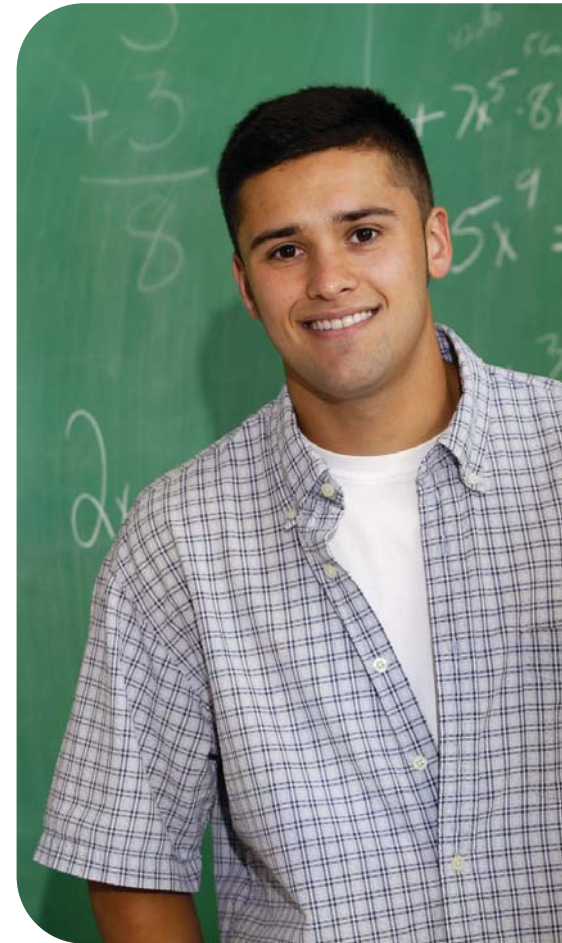
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PALM HARBOR UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL



MAGNET SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS

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ABOUT US

Palm Harbor University High School aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring graduates through challenging and exciting classes focused on writing, thinking, communicating, and experimenting. With its global perspective, the program has a strong commitment to community and human welfare. Our internationally diverse graduates have consistently been ranked among the highest performing in the world. Our high performing staff of IB teachers includes a number of trainers and examiners for the IB Organization.

areas of study

LEADERSHIP, CAREER DEVELOPMENT, INTERNSHIPS AND INTERDISCIPLINARY CLASS PROJECTS

The international curriculum of college preparatory coursework is rigorous and challenging and ideal for highly motivated students. Pre-Diploma freshmen and sophomores take all classes at the honors level. Juniors and seniors can take Advanced Placement (AP) as well as

IB courses; these students have the opportunity to earn a number of college credits for this level coursework. IB juniors can take as many as five AP courses. All PHUHS Pre-IB and IB students study six subjects in which they will examine in May of their senior year. Sixth subject offerings

what is a magnet?

Magnet programs focus on a certain theme with specialized curriculum in areas such as arts, communication, science and technology, and gifted studies. Some programs have eligibility requirements. See **How to Apply** section for details.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

Target Group 1:

- Standardized achievement test composite score at the 90th percentile or above OR
- Stanines of 8 or 9 in Reading and Math on the FCAT Norm-Referenced Test OR Stanines of 8 or 9 in total reading, total language and total mathematics on a comparable standardized norm-referenced achievement test OR
- FCAT scores of 375 or higher in Reading and in Math
- AND Final academic grades of B or above in grades six and seven.
- Foreign language (at least one year)
- Algebra I Honors
(Successful completion of the prerequisite courses must be by the last day of the regular eighth grade school year.)

Target Group 2:

If a student does not meet the required standardized test score or the required academic grades, the admission committee will recommend one of the following:

- The applicant has potential for the program and should be placed in Target Group 2.
- The applicant appears to lack potential and does not qualify for the program. (An appeal procedure exists.)

Admission criteria for grade 10:

Students making application for grade 10 must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Meet all grade 8 eligibility criteria (See Target Group 1)
- Algebra II Honors or Geometry Honors
- Foreign Language year II or above
- Science, preferably Biology, at the honors level (Successful completion of the prerequisite courses must be by the last day of the regular ninth grade school year.)
- Academic grades of B or above.
- Seventh and eighth grade stanines for Math and Reading of 8 or 9

include a second science, language, IB Music, IB Theatre, IB Visual Arts or IB Psychology.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A rigorous and comprehensive education based on a global perspective
- Inquiry Skills for study skills, time management, critical thinking, and research
- Theory of Knowledge for high level thinking skills to question world issues
- Academic Coaching for additional help from teachers, do research or re-sit a class
- The extended essay (grades 11 and 12) for independent research and analysis is assessed by examiners from around the world
- Community, Action, Service (CAS) (grades 11-12) where students undertake a curriculum of service in the community for a minimum of 150 hours
- Bright Futures Scholarship (grades 9 and 10) support to meet the 75-hour requirement
- Pre Diploma (grades 9 and 10) study Composition,
- Diploma Program (grades 11 and 12) may study Language A (English), Language B (Spanish or French), History, Psychology, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Art, Music, Theatre
- Teachers who serve as trainers and examiners for the International Baccalaureate Organization

