

ARC IB Programme

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Dear IB Families,

We are thrilled to announce that we have moved a step closer to authorization for our MYP Programme. We are still in the candidacy phase, but have been granted permission to apply for authorization. Our newsletters will feature an important piece of MYP information each month, so please look out for this section to discover more about the Middle Years Programme.

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What did you decide to do about 6 periods?

So glad you asked! We are doing something called "skinnying" a period because the IB Diploma Programme requires 7 classes. Our juniors and seniors will take TOK/PPS and Spanish on alternate days. For those seniors who are finished with Spanish, we are working on other opportunities for them. Because some kids come in with a Spanish credit, our classes are divided in terms of what levels the students are on. For example, some of our juniors are in IB Spanish 1 and some are in IB Spanish 2. Some of our sophomores are in Spanish II and some are in IB Spanish 1. So, the skinnying trickles down to our sophomores as well. They will skinny Spanish with Econ. Econ is usually a semester class, but since it will be taught every other day, it will stretch out over the entire year. Our freshmen will skinny Spanish and Scientific Research for one semester and SAT/ACT prep for the other semester.

Celebrations...

We have so much to celebrate with our IB students this month! The **VolunTeens** and the Parent Support Group put on a fantastic lunch for our faculty & staff. **Carson Dickinson, Rob Rice, & William Barfield** raised over \$95,000 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Congratulations to our honor graduates especially **Jim Sherman**, our valedictorian, **Drew Moses**, our salutatorian, and **Jack Chandler**, our STAR student. Jack chose **Ms. Baxley** as his STAR teacher. We are so proud of all of you! Please be sure to send us more celebrations so we can share!



Upcoming Events

March 18

IB Expo 4:30-5:45

Pinning Ceremony 6:00

March 19

IB Night at the soccer game

Girls' game 5:30

Boys' game 7:00

IB Acronyms of the Month

ATL

Approaches to Learning

In all IB programmes, students develop skills that help them "learn how to learn." They can be learned, taught, and improved with practice. They provide a solid foundation for learning independently and with others. The focus is on helping students to develop the self-knowledge and skills they need to enjoy a lifetime of learning.

Thinking skills (Critical thinking, creative thinking, transfer)

Social skills (collaboration)

Communication skills (communication)

Self-management skills (organization, affective, reflection)

Research skills (information literacy, media literacy)

Global Contexts in the MYP

In the MYP, learning contexts should be authentic world settings, events, and circumstances. Contexts for learning in the MYP are chosen from global contexts to encourage international-mindedness and global engagement within the programme. Students learn best when their learning experiences have context and are connected to their lives and to the world that they have experienced. When learning becomes meaningful and relevant, students are more likely to be engaged.

Global Contexts

Identities and relationships	Students will explore identity; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities and cultures; what it means to be human.
Orientation in space and time	Students will explore personal histories; homes and journeys; turning points in humankind; discoveries; explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between, and the interconnectedness of, individuals and civilizations, from personal, local and global perspectives.
Personal and cultural expression	Students will explore the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.
Scientific and technical innovation	Students will explore the natural world and its laws, the interaction between people and the natural world; how humans use their understanding of scientific and technological advances on communities and environments on human activity; how humans adapt environments to their needs.
Globalization and sustainability	Students will explore the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the relationship between local and global processes; how local experiences mediate the global processes; how local experiences mediate the global; the opportunities and tensions provided by world-interconnectedness; the impact of decision-making on humankind and the environment.
Fairness and development	Students will explore rights and responsibilities; the relationship between communities; sharing finite resources with other people and with other living things; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.

Learner Profile Highlight

Knowledgeable

We develop and use conceptual understanding, exploring knowledge across a range of disciplines. We engage with issues and ideas that have local and global significance.

IB Lyceum Series

Dr. Brooks Keel

We happily welcomed ARC alumnus and Hall of Fame inductee Dr. Keel back home to ARC on March 13. He spoke briefly about how he got to where he is today, the importance of being happy in life, and feeling like you are contributing to the world. He graciously took questions from the audience and very thoughtfully answered all of the questions. He was a wonderful addition to our IB Lyceum Series.



IB Dates

March 18-22	TOK	Presentations
March 20	Math Studies	Paper 1 Mock Exam
March 22-26	Spanish SL	Individual Orals
April 1-5	Lit HL	Individual Oral Commentaries
April 3	Math SL	Paper 1 Mock Exam
April 2	Math Studies	Paper 2 Mock Exam
April 16	Math SL	Paper 2 Mock Exam

IB Expo

The IB Expo is Monday, March 18 at 4:30. We are asking that our 9th, 10th and 12th graders arrive no later than 4:00 to get their projects set up. The 11th graders need to arrive no later than 5:30, but are encouraged to come earlier to check out all of the fantastic projects! Please remind your student to dress nicely as we have invited several special guests from the Board of Education. We hope to see you all there-please plan to stay after the Pinning Ceremony for refreshments in the media center to celebrate all of the hard work from our IB students!

Remind Codes

To get text messages from ARC IB, please text the message below (depending on class) to the number 81010. If you have any trouble with this, please let us know and we can help you!

Class of 2019	@arcib2019
Class of 2020	@arcib2020
Class of 2021	@299e6c
Class of 2022	@arcib2
Class of 2023	@b7feg



MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	American Lit EOC	American Lit EOC	1 9th Grade Lit EOC	2 9th Grade Lit EOC <i>IB Art History Paper 1 (pm) 45 m</i>	3 Geometry EOC <i>IB Art History Paper 2 (am) 2h 15m</i>	4
5 Morning Session	6 Bio EOC AP US Gov 3h	7 US History EOC	8 Algebra I EOC AP Lit 3h <i>IB History Paper 3 2h 30m</i>	9 Econ & Phv Sci EOC AP Chem 3h 15m	10 AP US History 3h 15m <i>IB Bio HL Paper 3 1h 15m</i> <i>IB Bio SL Paper 3 1h</i>	11
Afternoon Session	AP Enviro Sys 3h	AP Physics 3h <i>IB History Paper 1 1h</i> <i>IB History Paper 2 1h 30 m</i>		AP Psych 2h <i>IB Bio HL Paper 1 1h</i> <i>IB Bio HL Paper 2 2h 15m</i> <i>IB Bio SL Paper 1 45 m</i> <i>IB Bio SL Paper 2 1h 15m</i>	<i>IB Psych HL Paper 1 2h</i> <i>IB Psych SL Paper 1 2h</i>	
12 Morning Session	13 AP Bio 3h <i>IB Psych HL Paper 2 2h</i> <i>IB Psych HL Paper 3 1h</i> <i>IB Psych SL Paper 2 1h</i>	14 AP Calc 3h 15m <i>IB Math Studies SL Paper 2 1h 30m</i> <i>IB Math SL Paper 2 1h 30m</i>	15 AP Lang 3h 15 m	16 AP World 3h 15m	17 <i>IB Lit HL Paper 2 2h</i>	18
Afternoon Session	<i>IB Math Studies SL Paper 1 1h 30m</i> <i>IB Math SL Paper 1 1h 30m</i>	AP Hu Geo 2h 15m AP Art History 3h		AP Stat 3h <i>IB Lit HL Paper 1 2h</i>	AP Comp Sci A 3h <i>IB Physics HL Paper 1 1h</i> <i>IB Physics HL Paper 2 2h 15m</i> <i>IB Physics SL Paper 1 45m</i> <i>IB Physics SL Paper 2 1h 15m</i>	
19 Morning Session	20 <i>IB Physics HL Paper 3 1h 15m</i> <i>IB Physics SL Paper 3 1h</i> 1st Period Final Exam	21 <i>IB Enviro SL Paper 2 2h</i> 3rd Period Final Exam	22 <i>IB Spanish SL Paper 2 1h 30m</i> AP Stat (late) AP Lang (late) AP Psych (late) 5th Period Final Exam	23 AP Enviro Sci (late) AP Bio (late) AP Physics (late) AP US History (late) AP World (late) 7th Period Final Exam	24 AP Calc (late) AP US Gov (late) AP Lit (late) AP Human Geo (late)	25
Afternoon Session	<i>IB Enviro Sys SL Paper 1 1h</i> 2nd Period Final Exam	<i>IB Spanish SL Paper 1 1h 30m</i> 4th Period Final Exam	AP Art History (late) AP Chem (late) AP Comp Sci A (late) 6th Period Final Exam	Early Release at 11:30 am		
26	27	28	29	30	31 All morning exams begin at 7:30 am. All afternoon exams begin at 11:45 am. Ask your teacher about required supplies.	