



# PARKLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL



## IB PROGRAM INFORMATION - DIPLOMA APPLICATION

Parkland Secondary School is a public school located in School District #63 in Sidney-North Saanich and welcomes all students in the Saanich School district. Students who do not currently live in the Saanich School District catchment area and are interested in attending Parkland must complete out of district admissions paperwork. Once this paperwork is complete, families are asked to make an appointment with Parkland Vice Principal for an interview. Parkland will accept all students providing it has the space.

### IB Admissions:

Parkland is proud to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program for students in their final two years of high school. This optional program is academically rigorous and designed to develop the whole person. Students who are planning on attending University are strongly encouraged to consider this academic pathway.

Students taking the full International Baccalaureate Diploma Program will take six IB courses in addition to CAS (Creativity, Action, Service), EE (Extended Essay) and TOK (Theory of Knowledge).

Students can also elect to take individual IB courses rather than the full complement of six courses. These students are considered Certificate students and would be taking a combination of IB courses and BC high school courses.

At Parkland we encourage all students to challenge themselves. The IB program is appropriate for students who:

- have maintained at minimum a B average
- have strong work habits and study skills
- are able to manage their time effectively
- care about their local and global community
- are prepared to persevere and strive to do their best

The IB program is intended to be attainable for most students. It is not an exclusive program however there is an application process in place in order to ensure that the IB program is a good fit for prospective students.

The IB is an internationally recognized program with an extensive infrastructure and as such has fees associated with its programs. The following is the fee structure applicable to Parkland's IB program for students beginning the program in September 2025.

IB Certificate Program Fee Structure:		
Registration Deposit	Due April 25, 2025	\$250.00 - refunded upon completion of program and return of all resource materials
Year 1 Fee	Due September 12, 2025	\$150 per course up to a maximum of \$500 - <b>subject to change</b>
Year 2 Fee	Due September 11, 2026	\$150 per course up to a maximum of \$500 - <b>subject to change</b>

IB Diploma Program Fee Structure:		
Registration Deposit	Due April 25, 2025	\$250.00 - refunded upon completion of program and return of all resource materials)
Year 1 Fee	Due September 12, 2025	\$500 - <b>subject to change</b>
Year 2 Fee	Due September 11, 2026	\$500 - <b>subject to change</b>

*School District #63 recognizes that the payment of fees is a hardship for some families. Families are encouraged to make decisions about application to programs based on educational reasons, not financial ones. No student will be denied participation in any program due to the inability to pay the associated fees. Payment plans and fee reductions may be possible.*



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## IB DIPLOMA APPLICATION PACKAGE

Return completed applications to the Main Office at Parkland Secondary School by **March 7, 2025**

Student Name	
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### Important Dates:

IB Student and parent information evening – January 23, 2025

Individual Advising appointments with IB Team – late January – mid March

IB application deadline – March 7, 2025

Registration fee due – April 25, 2025

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- \*The \$250 deposit will be refunded upon successful completion of the program and return of all resource materials.
- Payment options – school-based online fee payment - <https://saanichschools.ca/resources/studentsfamilies/pay-school-fees-online>
- SSST Tutor fee. Tutors must be contracted by June 2025. Variable fee.

### Application Checklist: - please ensure that these items are included with your application package

- ☐ Grade 9 report card
- ☐ Grade 10 report card
- ☐ One-page typed resume itemizing involvement in the following areas: volunteering, fine or performing arts, athletic or physical activities, leadership, or other extra-curricular activities
- ☐ One page typed personal statement (approximately 300 words) describing why you would like to be part of the IB program. Describe your academic and extra-curricular experiences. Attempt to describe yourself in relation to at least three of the of the IB learner profile characteristics and describe why you think it is important to develop the concept of international mindedness
- ☐ Individual Education Plan (IEP) or other document that identifies a student's special needs (if applicable)
- ☐ IB Course Program Application Package
- ☐ For students new to Parkland – upon acceptance a registration package will need to be completed

Parkland Secondary IB Admissions Committee has consent to contact my previous school and/or teachers to discuss my suitability to the IB program.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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Student Information	
Student name	
Student email	
Student cell number	
Date of birth	
Current school	

School-Based Reference – a school-based staff member who knows you as a student	
Name	
Email	
School	
Position	

Parent/Guardian Contact information	
Parent/Guardian Name (s)	
Parent/Guardian Primary Email	
Parent/Guardian Primary Phone #	

Languages you read, write & speak fluently

Post-Secondary Goals (if known)



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### Course Selection – Diploma Program

- Students are required to select three Higher Level (HL) and three Standard Level (SL) courses in addition to Theory of Knowledge, Creativity, Activity, Service and Extended Essay courses.
- Higher Level Courses span three semesters over two years.
- Standard Level Courses span two semesters.

#### Required Higher Level (HL) courses

- ✓ IB English
- ✓ IB Biology
- ✓ IB History

#### Required Standard Level (SL) courses

- ✓ IB Math (pre-calculus 11 in grade 11, IB Math in grade 12)
- ✓ IB French (French 10 is a prerequisite) *or* SSST (School-supported self-taught Language) for a language other than French. Please contact Ms. Stinson for any SSST requests.
- ✓ IB Chemistry

#### Required Out-of-Timetable courses.

- ✓ Theory of Knowledge (TOK)
- ✓ Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)
- ✓ Extended Essay (EE)

#### Optional Out-of-Timetable courses

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Sports Performance Basketball</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Sailing – Fall</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Sailing – Spring</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Jazz Band</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Concert Band</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Vocal Music</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Leadership</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Journalism with Yearbook</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Intramural Athletic Leadership</li></ul> |
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