# DBMS Parent Newsletter International Baccalaureate (IB)

MYP Grades 6-8 | October | 2022

# I am IB. We are IB.

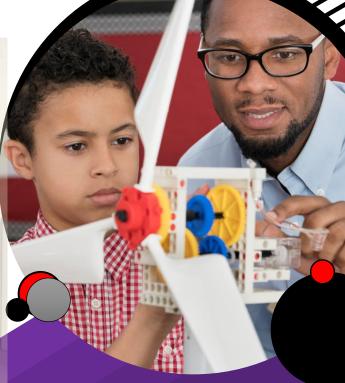
Deerfield Beach Middle School is an inclusive International Baccalaureate (IB) school that meets the needs of each student. We aim to develop balanced, global thinkers who respect diversity to create a better tomorrow.

The IB Program is an internationally standardized accelerated honors course of study for highly motivated and academically talented students. Higher-level thinking skills, integrated curriculum, thematic units, international-mindedness, and intercultural awareness combine to provide a well-rounded education. DBMS's unique magnet program challenges students to become self-directed learners and responsible world citizens.



Our school newsletter and calendar are designed to give parents and students up-to-date information about what's going on at our school, dates and times for activities, meetings, opening/closing, report card, and interim report information. We encourage you to check our website regularly for updated information.







The IB develops inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through education that builds intercultural understanding and respect.





Dr. Gidette Augustin DBMS Magnet Coordinator



### **Academic Requirements**

Parents, remind students to complete and submit all make up work prior to the end of the quarter. Magnet students must maintain a B or higher in all courses.

**Hispanic Heritage** 

**Celebration:** On Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> the Language Acquisition students (French an Spanish) will have a performance for Hispanic Heritage Month during the students' lunches.

#### **Grades for 1st Quarter**

First Quarter ends on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Report card grades will be finalized on Friday October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Early Release Day** 

October 20<sup>th</sup>, Dismissal at 12:45pm

## **Employee Planning Day**

October 21<sup>st</sup>, No School for Students

**National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)**: NJHS
meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 2:45pm3:45pm. For more info., contact Senora Santos.

Join PTSA/SAC: Students and parents are encouraged to join and support our PTSA and SAC. Meeting dates available on school website. For more info email: dbmsptsa@gmail.com

#### **IB Learner Profile Tickets**

The DBMS Learner Profile in Action Award was created with the purpose of celebrating our Jr. Bucks' social and academic development and recognizing students who model superior character and citizenship at DBMS. Starting Thursday, October 13th, students who receive blue tickets can redeem prizes during lunch on Thursdays for being IB: caring, openminded, communicators, knowledgeable, principled, inquirers, thinkers, balanced, reflective, and/or risk-takers.

### MYP Service as Action (link):

The International Baccalaureate (IB) is committed to developing students who will make a meaningful contribution to the world, both during and after their education.

## History of the IB Program

Since its inception in 1968, the IB program has expanded to

both public and private schools around the world and offers four programs: the IB Primary Years Program (PYP) for children aged 3-12; the IB Middle Years Program (MYP) for students aged 11-14; the IB Diploma Program (DP) and IB Career-related Program (CP) for students aged 15-18.

In 1970, students at 12 schools, from 10 countries, including two state schools in Germany and France, took the first official IB Diploma Program exams. The IB's North American Regional Office was opened by Peter Nehr in New York in 1975. In 1986 the IB expanded to other regions: the International Baccalaureate Africa, Europe, Middle East (IBAEM), and International Baccalaureate Asia Pacific (IBAP).

In 1980, educators at the International Schools Association Conference (ISAC) in Tanzania recommended the development of the IB Middle Years Program (MYP). The Middle Years Program (MYP) was first offered in 1994 for students aged 11 – 16 and within five years, 51 countries had MYP schools.

DBMS wishes our Jr. Bucks and families a Happy Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15th - October 15th)

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