

THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME CONTRACT FOR PIEDMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL ~ AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (IBMYP) offers an accelerated learning program for students in grades 6-10 that develops intellectual skills and stresses high academic achievement through five Areas of Interaction: Environments, Community and Service, Approaches to Learning, Health and Social Education, and Human Ingenuity. Piedmont is a full IBMYP magnet school.

Failure to meet MYIB requirements will result in removal from the program and return to the home school.

- IBMYP requires a community service commitment:
 - 6th grade requires 20 hours of community and service.
 - 7th grade requires 25 hours of community and service.
 - 8th grade requires a community and service project involving journal writing and completion of a project/ presentation.
- **Academic expectations** and grading standards are **high**. IBMYP is an accelerated program, and remedial classes are not offered.
- Students must score at or above grade level in reading and math End of Grade Tests.
- Students must enroll in and pass **World Language, Core Classes, Health/PE, and one other encore (elective) class** every year.
- Students must demonstrate continuing acquisition of technology skills.
- Access to the **internet** is required to complete various assignments & outside work.
- Students must take one course in the **cultural arts**.
- Students are encouraged to develop an appreciation and respect for other **cultures**.
- Students are expected to develop **time management and organizational skills**.
- Students must understand and apply the **Global Contexts**.
- Students must understand and apply the **Design Cycle** and pass **IB assessments** in every content area.
- Students must meet all **Common Core Standards** in addition to **IB curriculum extensions** in every content area.
- Parental involvement and support is crucial to the IBMYP program's success. Parents are encouraged to support teachers and administrators and to help the school and the **PTSA** through donations of time and resources.
- Parents are expected to regularly check **teachers' wiki-pages** and maintain **communication** with the school.
- Parents are expected to monitor grades using the **PowerSchool Parent Portal**. Progress reports are sent home at mid quarter for students receiving grades of D or F.
- Students must adhere to Piedmont's **dress code, code of conduct, and attendance** procedures. Failure to do so may result in removal from the program and return to the home school.
- All grade levels will be assigned a **summer reading and math project**. The **Piedmont website** should be accessed regularly during the summer for details.

Parent/Student Commitment: I have read the above information and understand that enrollment of my child in the program requires my commitment to and agreement with these principles.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____