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International Baccalaureate (IB) Program



Together every step of the way: In pursuit of new horizons



Christian Alliance International School (CAIS) strategically broadens its IB Diploma Programme with more language choices for todays' global citizens



CAIS introduced its first International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) for the 2021-2022 academic year as one of three pathways to graduation for its students. Now the school is already expecting an increased number of IBDP internal and external applicants for Grade 11 in the next school year.

Three pathways to Graduation and beyond at CAIS. Students graduate with:

- The Alberta (Canada) High School Diploma OR
- The Alberta (Canada) High School Diploma + Advanced Placement credits OR
- The International Baccalaureate Diploma

Richard Vanderpyl, the Head of School at CAIS says, "At CAIS we strive to expand our students' horizons by building a program of studies that takes advantage of the best learning systems in the world, and we are excited to provide our students with the opportunity to select the IBDP pathway starting in Grade 11."

The IBDP at CAIS is concerned with the whole educational experience of each student and offers them an extraordinary opportunity to develop their character, spirit and intellect, in an

environment where they are encouraged to shape their own path. An equipped body of teachers, counselors, and support staff partners with the students, engaging them to unlock their abilities and achieve personal targets.

Having already completed half of his first year, IBDP student Wesley Wong reflects on the challenges: "The difficult content really gets you to think, and I believe the IBDP is a great way to start learning and thinking for yourself to be prepared for higher learning."

Other students have noted the agency and ownership the program affords. "One thing I like about IB is Visual Arts," comments IBDP student, Mark Tsang, "it gives me freedom of what mediums I want to explore, along with guidance from teachers to help further enhance my ideas."

Looking ahead to next year, the school is excited to offer the IB Bilingual Diploma (English and Chinese), as well as new IBDP subjects, Spanish ab initio and French ab initio. "We love to provide families with increased options," says IB Coordinator, Benjamin Myers, "and as our language teachers are highly experienced in IBDP, developing our program in that direction is the logical next step."

In addition, CAIS looks forward to the opening of the Phase IIA Amenities Building in the next school year with great anticipation. The new building will furnish the school with more exceptional facilities and state-of-the-art equipment to further support students to keep thinking outside the box and pursuing their aspirations with confidence.

CAIS continues to experience tremendous growth and the school's investment in the lives of its students is richly exemplified in its flourishing International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme ontion.

"We are delighted we are able to provide the very best for each of our student, not just what is considered good. We are committed to investing in the lives of our students, in our staff, using our modern school campus to nurture upstanding, knowledgeable and discerning young men and women of God," concludes Vanderpyl.





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