

# International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme at Langston Hughes

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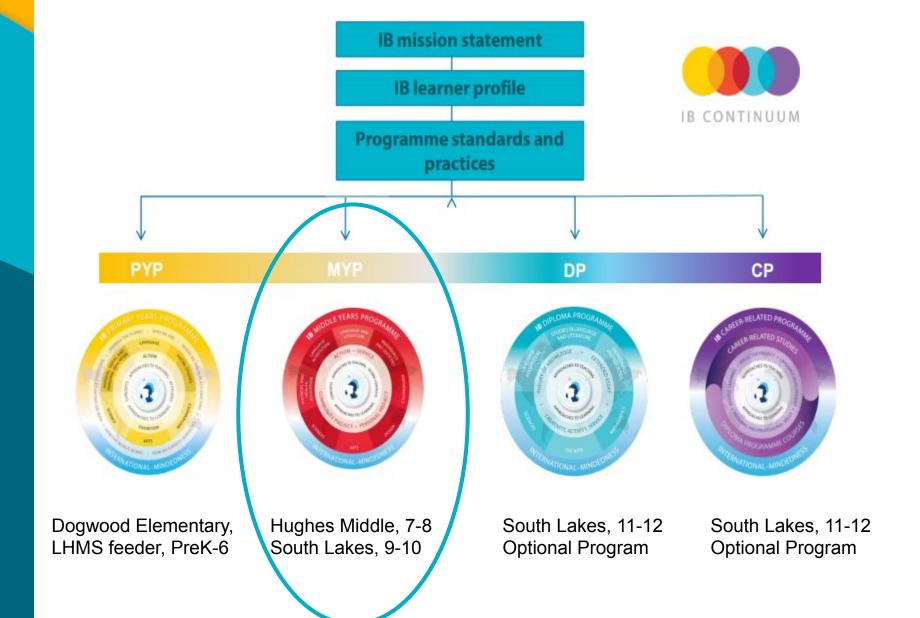
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## The IB Middle Years Program



## IB Programs in the South Lakes Pyramid



The Middle Years Program is completed in 4 years in the SLHS Pyramid.

#### **Hughes:**

2 years of MYP



Middle Years Programme

#### **South Lakes:**

2 years of MYP Option for CP and DP







## Preparing for the IB Diploma Program

- 8th Grade: Students should take Algebra 1 and the first year of a world language
- 9th Grade: Students are recommended to take honors level courses (and/or other courses which are prerequisites to the DP courses)

## IB MYP Philosophy - A Framework, Not a Curriculum



Who is IB for? ALL students

How is IB implemented? Using best practices in education (student-centered learning)

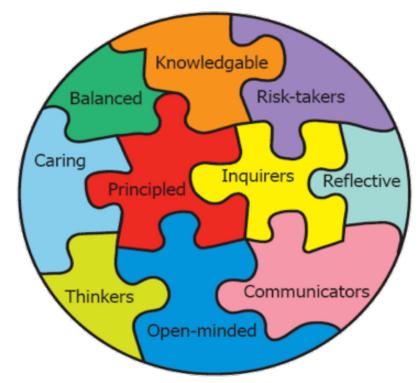
Why IB? A more global perspective and whole-student approach

What is taught? Virginia SOLs



#### **IB Learner Profile**

As the students learn to become lifelong learners, we focus on developing 10 key attributes we call the Learner Profile:

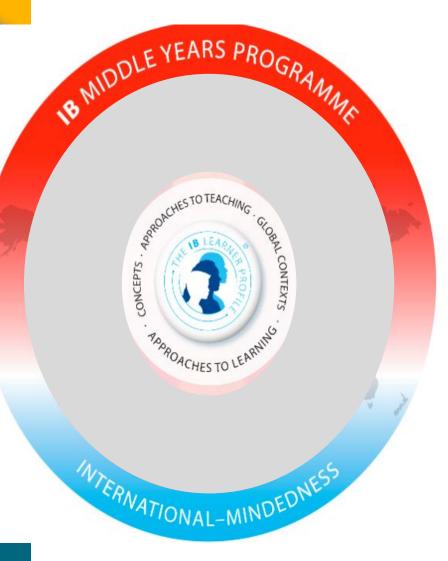




#### Holistic Approach to Planning

The IB 'approach' or philosophy is supported by providing a framework for best practices in the classroom.

- Conceptual Exploration
- Contextualized within the Global Community
- → Student-Centered and Inquiry-Based Teaching



#### **Approaches to Learning**

The development of skills is explicitly taught in IB Classrooms.

**Thinking** 

Critical & Creative
Thinking
Transfer of Knowledge

Social

Collaboration

Communication

Interaction Language

Self-Management Organization

Managing State of Mind

Reflection

Research

Information Literacy Media Literacy



#### **Approaches to Teaching**

The IB Program is embedded in 8 subject areas (all classes).

**Inquiry Model** 

Project Based Learning

Rigorous Assessments

#### Planning for Inquiry

Units are focused around a 'statement of inquiry.'

Inquiry questions provide structured inquiry into factual, conceptual, and debatable questions which leads to higher-order thinking.

#### **Inquiry Example**

Systems create a due process structure which impacts how justice is served.

#### Factual:

What is the structure of our judicial system?

What are the due process rights?

#### **Conceptual:**

What is justice?

How does one's perspective influence their perception of justice?

#### **Debatable:**

Does our justice system protect the criminal or the victim, or both?

Rigorous & Authentic Assessment

Each subject has <u>four</u> IB MYP objectives or criteria that are used in assessments.

Performance Tasks (tests, essays, projects) are scored using an 8-point criterion-based rubric.

## **Individuals & Societies** (History/Civics) Rubrics

A: B: Knowledge & Investig Understanding

Investigating Communicating

D: Thinking Critically

#### A: Knowledge & Understanding

- Consistently uses a range of terminology accurately
- II. Demonstrates detailed knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through **developed** and **accurate** descriptions, explanations, and examples.

#### **Action and Service**

All students participate in service learning through classes and are encouraged to continue service in the local community.

By the end of 8th grade, Hughes expects students to complete at least 15 hours of service. All students must complete reflections on their service each year.



Students post their service learning reflections through X2Vol. They receive an introduction to this system during the first month of school.

## Because of our IB MYP Program, you can expect your student to...

- → ...be challenged to a rigorous, meaningful education;
- → ...develop the skills to become a lifelong learner;
- → ...think critically about information; and
- → ...engage in their local and global communities.

