

THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ORGANIZATION



*Welcome to the IB
at Sturgis Charter Public School*

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**A better world
through education**



IB programmes consistently challenge students to think critically and understand how their learning fits within a wider global context.

**Sturgis students
are part of the IB
network of
schools in over
150 countries.**



IB Mission Statement

The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

What is the IB?

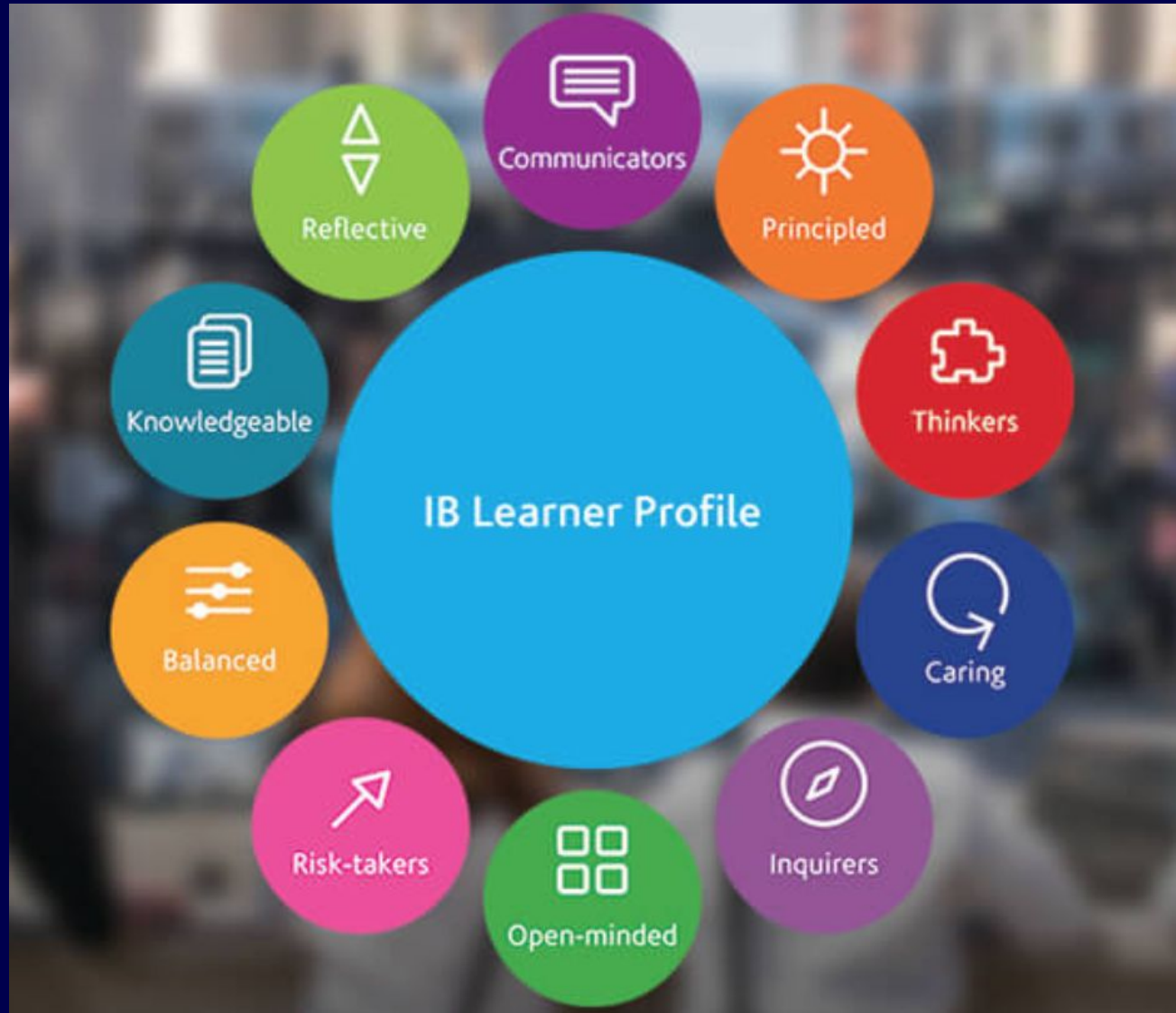
- Holistic, student-centered and internationally minded
- Engages students in their own learning
- Process and skills as important as content
- Builds confidence and persistence needed to achieve challenging goals in our changing world.

The Value of an IB Education



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The IB Learner Profile encourages academic and personal growth.



To be IB or not to be IB
That is NOT the question!





IB Pathways at Sturgis



- **Course Student**
- **IB Diploma Candidate**
- **Bilingual Diploma Candidate**

Course	Diploma	Bilingual
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>May take any combination of SL and HL classes</i> ● <i>May take TOK, EE or CAS</i> 	<p><i>Must take</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 HL ● 3 SL ● TOK, EE and CAS 	<p><i>Must take</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 HL ● 3 SL ● TOK, EE and CAS ● Complete Literature course or one other course's assessments in acquired language

HL or SL?

- **Standard Level** courses are rigorous college-prep courses.
- **Higher Level** courses are extremely demanding; The breadth and depth of content is greater.

Three HL courses are required for IB Diploma Candidates.

At Sturgis, a maximum of three HL courses may be taken.

Mandatory Course Options

English (Group 1)	English HL or SL
Language (Group 2)	Spanish HL or SL, French HL or SL, Latin HL or SL
History (Group 3)	History HL or SL
Science (Group 4)	Biology HL or SL Chemistry HL or SL Physics HL or SL Environmental Systems and Societies SL* Computer Science **HL or SL
Math (Group 5)	Math HL Analysis & Approaches Math SL Analysis & Approaches Math SL Application & Interpretation

*Environmental is only offered by the IB at the SL level because it is a trans-disciplinary course, combining science and social science.

** Computer Science is not recognized as a “lab science” by many universities.

Elective Course Options

Arts (Group 6)	Theater HL or SL, Art HL or SL, Music HL or SL
Additional Language	Spanish HL or SL, French HL or SL, Latin HL or SL
Additional Social Science	Psychology SL (one year course), Business SL (one year course), Business HL
Additional Science	Biology HL or SL, Chemistry HL or SL, Physics HL or SL, Computer Science HL or SL, Environmental Systems and Societies SL

The Core



All students may elect to take Theory of Knowledge (TOK)

“How Do We Know What We Know?”

Perception

Language

Reason

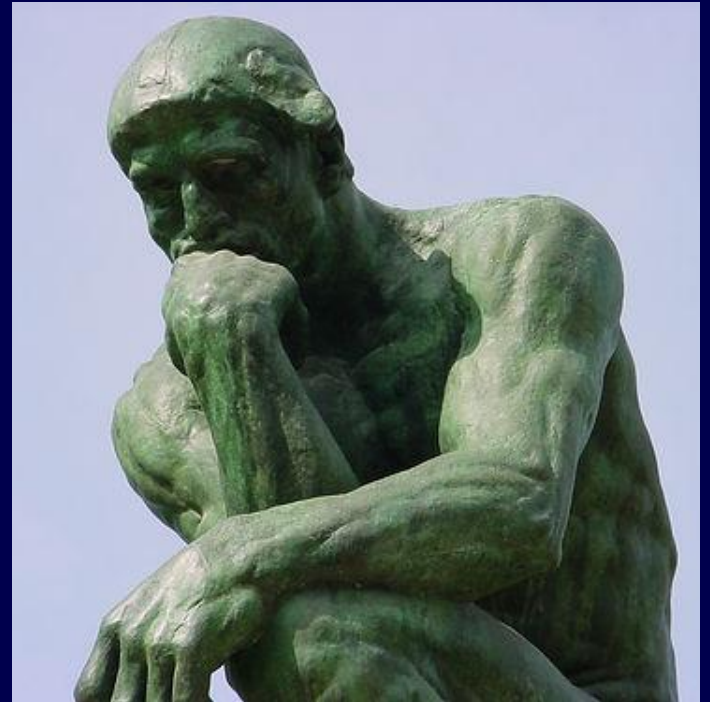
Emotion

Imagination

Faith

Intuition

Memory



CAS



High school is a time to develop and grow. You're more than only your academics!

Creativity: Building & creating.

Activity: Paying attention to your physical health

Service: Helping your community

All students may elect to write an Extended Essay

A 4,000 word essay
in which students
independently
investigate a topic
of their choosing.

Example of topics from this year:

- To what extent will preparing for adaptation on Cape Cod be able to reduce the impact of sea levels rising due to the effects from global warming?
- What are the values of closing the education gap between men and women in the developing world and do these values outweigh the consequences?

EE Stars!



Preparing to be a global citizen



A journey, not a race

