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The International Baccalaureate Diploma - Transfer Policy

Commencing with Class of 2025, the International Baccalaureate Diploma – Transfer Policy will **no longer** be in effect as all students who are enrolled in Starbuck, an IB MYP World School, are guaranteed entry into Case High School to continue on to the International Baccalaureate Full Diploma Program. Those who have not attended Starbuck, an IB MYP World School, and wish to attend Case and participate in the IB Full Diploma program may apply through the School Choice process. The High School Course Directory also contains information for our families. With the sunset of this administrative regulation, transportation will be provided to students who completed eighth grade at Starbuck, an IB MYP World School, or in accordance with the RUSD transportation administrative regulation.

1. In school districts across the nation and the world, the Diploma Programme of the International Baccalaureate is one of choice for students seeking a well-rounded, internationally-minded, rigorous preparation for college. Any student interested in attempting the IB Full Diploma or moving on in the continuum from a Middle Years Program (MYP) school may apply for admission to Case High School's International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme as a Transfer Student.

To be eligible, students must meet four or more of the following requirements (World Language must be one of the four) OR currently/ formerly enrolled in a MYP school:

- a) middle school enrollment in the equivalent of one year of high school French, German or Spanish <u>OR</u> scheduled for a World Language Level 1.
- b) acceleration in mathematics.
- c) teacher recommendation for 9th grade college preparatory (CP) social studies.
- d) acceleration in English.
- e) acceleration in science.
- f) for 8th grade applicants averaged stanine scores of seven and above on 6th or 7th grade standardized tests.
- g) for 9th or 10th grade applicants scores labeled as "proficient" or "advanced" on each of the 8th grade State tests.
- 2. Transfer applications from current Racine Unified School District students for the IB Full Diploma programme will **only** be accepted during Racine Unified School District's School Preference application window.

In addition to the requirements, the Transfer student application must submit the following documents to the Chief of Schools through the IB Coordinator:

a) a letter from a parent or guardian requesting that the student be admitted to the Full Diploma Programme.

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- b) copies of middle school standardized test scores and/or State test scores (*evidence of MYP school enrollment*).
- c) evidence that the student meets the class acceleration requirements listed above <u>OR</u> evidence that the student is currently/formerly in a MYP school.
- d) a letter of recommendation from one of the student's teachers or counselor (evidence of MYP school enrollment).
- e) a portfolio containing three sample assignments, each chosen from a different subject area and illustrating the student's best work in that subject.
- f) a one-page written statement from the student which demonstrates an understanding of the IB Full Diploma Programme and gives reasons for the student's interest in the program.
- 3. Requirements of the IB Full Diploma Programme:
 - a) Three 2-year courses from the following subject areas:

English - IB Junior and Senior World Literature

Social Studies - IB World History 1 and 2

Science - IB Biology 1 and 2 Art - IB Studio Art 1 and 2

b) Three 1-year courses from the following subject areas:

Mathematics - IB Math SL 1, IB Math SL 2, IB Calculus, IB Statistics or IB

Math Studies

World Language - IB fourth or fifth-year French, German or Spanish

Elective - IB Chemistry, IB Physics, IP Psychology or IB Studio Art

- c) A two semester course in IB Theory of Knowledge; one the junior year, and one the senior year.
- d) An Extended Essay on a topic from one of the six subject areas; 1st semester junior year EE/CAS is recommended.
- e) 150 hours of Creativity, Action, and Service during the junior/senior years.
- f) In order to obtain the official IB Full Diploma, students must earn a total score of 24 points in the six tested areas (with at least 12 points in the three higher level courses with no score less than 3, no score of 1 in a standard level course, and completion of Extended Essay and TOK with no grade less than a D, and CAS) nor found guilty of malpractice. Transfer students are encouraged but not required to take the official IB examinations. The Racine Unified School District will pay the IB exam fees for students that are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch as required by Wis. Stat. sec. 120.12(22).

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4. If a student is granted a transfer from another Racine Unified School District high school, transportation will be provided by the District as long as the student is an IB Full Diploma candidate or from an MYP school.

Transportation for high school students selecting the Full Diploma IB Programme or from a MYP school may be provided by:

- a) Case school bus
- b) city bus
- c) parent contract
- 5. If a non-MYP transfer student withdraws from the Full Diploma IB Programme, transportation will no longer be provided by the District. The student may continue to attend Case High School, however, if he/she meets the requirements listed below:
 - a) The student (parent) must provide transportation.
 - b) The student must demonstrate a continued interest in the IB philosophy of "educating the whole person for life" by enrolling in the following:
 - 1) four of the six subject areas required for the IB Full Diploma (see sections 3a and 3b) as a senior, and three of the six as a junior.
 - 2) the Theory of Knowledge course (one semester in 11th and one in 12th).

Legal Reference:

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