



Calgary Board of Education

2012 International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme Application In French Immersion

The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) is pleased to offer an International Baccalaureate Programme in French Immersion that students **may choose as an alternative to a regular high school program**. IB is a rigorous academic program which emphasizes the ideals of international understanding and responsible citizenship and may provide advanced university credit. The IB in French Immersion program is appropriate for students who are fluent in French. The IB in French Immersion program is located at Western Canada High School.

If a student withdraws from the IB Programme in French Immersion or a unique IB Programme course offered in French, the student may be asked to return to his/her designated community high school.

When admitted to Grade 10 at Western Canada, the student is a pre-IB candidate in French Immersion who must be successful and meet the school criteria for admission to the IB Programme in French Immersion for grades 11 and 12.

The CBE provides an opportunity for parents and Grade 9 students to learn more about the IB Programme in French Immersion. The Open House/Information Evening will be held at:

Western Canada High School	November 23, 2011	7:00 p.m.
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Applicants have two candidacy options:

1. The **IB Diploma** requires students carry a full program of IB courses. Students applying for this option are given priority in the application process.
2. The **IB Certificate Program** is for those students who wish to combine part of the IB Programme with the regular Alberta Education curriculum. Certificate students are encouraged to take a minimum of two IB courses. A student receives a certificate for each IB course successfully completed.

Please complete this application prior to the IB application deadline. A copy of the application form and an application checklist is included with this package. Ensure the checklist is reviewed to confirm completion of all applicable sections.

The deadline for junior high schools to submit completed applications to Western Canada High School is Friday, January 13, 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Western Canada High School
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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Date	Information
Monday, November 21, 2011	Application packages sent to Junior High schools by this date
Wednesday, November 23, 2011	International Baccalaureate Open House / Information Evening Western Canada High School 641 – 17 Avenue S.W. 7:00 p.m.
Friday, January 13, 2012	Deadline for receipt of applications. Parents and students please note: the applications are to be submitted with Parts I and II completed to your junior high school counsellor in time for him or her to complete Part V before submitting the entire application by the January 13, 2012 deadline. Junior High Schools submit the entire completed application form to: Western Canada High School
February 6 – 10, 2012	Letters of notification mailed to all applicants.
Friday, March 2, 2012	Deadline for successful applicants to confirm their acceptance with the high school.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND LEGIBLY.

Part I. RESIDENCY DECLARATION FOR COMPLETION BY PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S)

It is important to determine the residency of a student to determine the admission priority for the student if there is not sufficient room in the IB in French Immersion program at Western Canada High School.

A student is determined to be a resident or non-resident of the Calgary Board of Education based on two criteria:

Geography: Where the student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) reside
Religion: The faith of the parent(s) of the student

Who is Resident to the Calgary Board of Education?

1. Geography – the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) who have day-to-day care of the student must live within the City of Calgary. In the case of an independent student, the student must live within the City of Calgary.
2. Religion – one or both parents who have day to day care of the student are not Roman Catholic. When both parents have day-to-day care and custody of a student and one is Roman Catholic and one is not, the parents may declare residency to the Calgary Board of Education by checking the appropriate box and signing the declaration below.

Who is Not Resident to the Calgary Board of Education?

1. Geography – the parent(s)/legal guardians(s) who have day to day care of the student live outside of the City of Calgary. In the case of an independent student, the student lives outside of the City of Calgary.
2. Religion – both parents are Roman Catholic.

Authority

The Alberta School Act 44(4) states:

"Where a separate school district is established, an individual residing within the boundaries of the separate school district who is of the same faith as those who established that district, whether Protestant or Roman Catholic,

(a) is a resident of the separate school district, and

(b) is not a resident of the public school district.

Home Address: _____ Residential District _____

Is the student's mother Roman Catholic? [] Yes [] No Is the student's father Roman Catholic? [] Yes [] No

Declaration:

I declare that _____ (name of student making application) is
Last name, Given name

- Resident to the Calgary Board of Education
- Is Non-Resident to the Calgary Board of Education

Signature of Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s)

**Part II. GRADE IX STUDENT APPLICATION:INTERNATIONAL
BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME in FRENCH IMMERSION**

FOR COMPLETION BY STUDENT – PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

1. _____
Student Last Name First Name
2. _____
Student Address Postal Code Phone Residential District
3. Male Female Student CBE ID# _____
4. Birth Date: Year: _____ Month: _____ Day: _____
5. _____
Mother/Guardian Name Business Phone Cell Phone
6. _____
Father/Guardian Name Business Phone Cell Phone
7. Parent/Guardian Address _____
If different from above _____
8. Parent or Independent Student
E-mail Address (*Optional*): _____ @ _____
9. School Attended for Grade 9 _____
10. Regular (Non IB) Designated Senior
High School _____
11. Desired IB Program:
 Diploma Certificate
 - Must take full Grade 10 preparatory IB Courses
 - Requires student to carry a full IB course load beginning in Grade 11
 - Recommend students take applicable preparatory-IB courses
 - Students are encouraged to take two IB courses beginning in Grade 11
 - Preferred courses (check from list below)
12. What languages do you: (a) speak? _____
(b) read or write? _____

**IB COURSES OFFERED AT WESTERN CANADA HIGH SCHOOL
HL (Higher Level) SL (Standard Level)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Biology HL | <input type="checkbox"/> English HL | <input type="checkbox"/> History English HL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biology SL | <input type="checkbox"/> French A2 SL | <input type="checkbox"/> History French HL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry HL | <input type="checkbox"/> French B SL | <input type="checkbox"/> Math French SL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physics SL | <input type="checkbox"/> French B HL | <input type="checkbox"/> Math English SL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art HL | <input type="checkbox"/> French ab initio SL | <input type="checkbox"/> Math English HL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish ab initio SL | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish B SL | <input type="checkbox"/> Math Studies SL |

Part III. CONSENT FOR COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION
FOR COMPLETION BY PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S)
OR INDEPENDENT STUDENT

The personal information collected on the attached *Grade IX Student Application for the International Baccalaureate Programme in French Immersion* will be used and disclosed for the following purpose:

The administration of the International Baccalaureate Programme in French Immersion application process.

I, being the parent/legal guardian have read the information contained on this form and do hereby consent on behalf of my child/ward to the use and disclosure of the personal information collected as noted above.

Parent/Legal Guardian Name: _____
(Please Print)

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

OR

I being an independent student as defined in the *School Act* have read the information contained on this form and do hereby consent to the use and disclosure of the personal information collected as noted above.

Independent Student Name: _____
(Please Print)

Independent Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

The personal information contained on this consent form and the application form is collected under the authority of Regulation and Section 32(c) of Alberta's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose noted above. If you have any questions about this collection please contact the Principal or the IB Coordinator at:

Western Canada High School

403-228-5363

This consent form must be signed and returned with the completed application form.

Part IV.

**APPLICATION CHECK LIST
IB PROGRAMME in FRENCH IMMERSION
FOR COMPLETION BY STUDENT AND PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)**

Please complete this checklist to ensure that all appropriate sections of this application form are completed. Please ensure that this check list stays with the application during all phases of its completion and submission to Western Canada High School's Selection Committee.

Students are asked to:

- Complete Part II – Grade IX Student Application: International Baccalaureate Programme in French Immersion

Parents/Legal Guardians are asked to:

Complete and attach a High School Transfer Request form to the completed application

- Complete and Sign Part I Residency Declaration
- Sign Part III Consent Form for Collection of Personal Information
- Sign and Date the section at the bottom of this Check List page to confirm this application is made with your full knowledge

Parents and/or Students are asked to:

- Attach a copy of a document that shows the student's Canadian Citizenship Status to the application package. Documents may include a copy of a Canadian birth certificate, permanent resident/landed immigrant status, student study permit or citizenship documents.
- Forward the entire application, with all parent and student sections completed, to your junior high school counsellor for completion. **Please ensure that you provide the application to your junior high so the counsellor has sufficient time to complete Part V. and still meet the January 13, 2012 submission deadline.**

Thank you.

FOR COMPLETION BY PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S)

The IB Programme is a commitment which involves expectations and workload beyond that required by the regular Alberta curriculum. In order to prevent confusion and unhappiness, parent(s)/guardian(s) are respectfully asked to consider all aspects of the commitment and to be prepared to accept it should a place be granted to their son/daughter.

I have read the application prepared by my son/daughter in Part II of this form. The application has been made with my full knowledge and approval.

Signature of Mother/Guardian

Date

Signature of Father/Guardian

Date

Part V. JUNIOR HIGH RECOMMENDATION -- CONFIDENTIAL

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE STUDENT

Ask an academic subject teacher OR your junior high school counsellor to please complete the following reference. An academic subject teacher is an instructor of language arts, social studies, mathematics or science. As you are applying for the IB in French Immersion program you may approach your second language instructor.

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE REFEREE

Complete both the demographic and reference sections and return the completed entire application Parts I to V with attachments to Western Canada High School by January 13, 2012. A checklist is provided on this page and the next to simplify the reference process, and you are welcome to provide additional information if you choose.

Please attach a transcript of the student's junior high school marks including grade 8 final marks and current grade 9 marks.

This is a confidential reference and is not to be returned to the student or the parent/guardians.

Demographic Information

Area: _____ Junior High School: _____

Name of Student: _____

Name of Referee, please print: _____

Referee's Teaching Area and/or Position in the School: _____

Contact Number: _____

Reference Checklist

Please check one box for each descriptor	Below Average	Good	Excellent	Outstanding	Unknown
Academic potential and intellectual capability					
Work ethic					
Class participation					
Homework completion					
Quality of work					
Organization					
Diligence in following through					
Willingness to work with and help others					
Open-mindedness					

Reference Checklist continued

Please check one box for each descriptor	Below Average	Good	Excellent	Outstanding	Unknown
Cooperation					
Curiosity					
Enthusiasm for learning Vs.					
Enthusiasm for marks					
Perseverance and self-discipline					
Personal initiative					
Ability to accept criticism					
Resiliency					
Sense of humour					
Patience with self and others					
Compassion – care demonstrated					
For others					
For the environment					
For the community					

Additional Comments

Signature of Referee

Date

Please ensure all completed application forms are submitted to

WESTERN CANADA HIGH SCHOOL

by Friday, January 13, 2012