

Frequently Asked Questions about the IB at CCI



- ***What if I don't live near CCI?***

The IB Programme is a KPR Board-supported programme and students are guaranteed busing if they live outside of CCI's catchment area, and within Northumberland County.

- ***How much homework is there?***

The homework load is about the same as most academic classes in high school but will vary with the class and teacher, as with most high school classes. As an IB faculty we strive to make classroom extensions valid and engaging.

- ***Do I have to be really good at academics? What if I can't do it?***

While academics are a part of the programme, IB has multiple streams that can help you focus in the areas you see benefiting you most in the future. As an inclusive program we strive to keep IB accessible to students across Northumberland County.

- ***What if I need help?***

This inclusive and diverse program has great supportive staff that only wish to see what's best for their students. Additional teacher support, academic support, as well as peer help is available. There are lots of support resources available to all CCI students to help ensure that they succeed.

- ***What about my social life and extracurricular activities?***

Social life and extracurricular activities are an important aspect of high school life, and the IB program supports this. CCI has many opportunities to participate in exciting and new extracurricular activities within the school. This includes opportunities many sports teams, clubs, music, drama performances, student council, GSA, and many more. In the IB programme the opportunity to complete the Creativity Action Service programme (CAS) helps to develop community leadership and balance academics and social priorities.

- ***What about IEP/Language accommodations?***

In the IB at CCI, we accommodate what you need to succeed - whether it's in class, exam, test help, or finding a study partner - we want what's best for your learning. The IB Programme includes many students who speak a variety of languages other than English and French. Language and IEP accommodations are provided in IB to make sure these students thrive.

- ***Is there a cost for the IB Programme?***

For the foundation years, which includes grade 9 and 10, there is a \$100.00 Administrative fee to help support the IB Program as a whole, which will be invoiced in October. For the IB Diploma programme (Grade 11 and 12) there is a cost of \$1250.00 per year for a total of \$2500.00. Traditionally, we invoice students twice a year in equal installments depending on the nature of their students' involvement with IB. The IB is a not-for-profit academic program.

- ***What will happen if I can't pay that much?***

We offer individual and flexible payment plans to accommodate your available income and your family's needs.

- ***Will I be separated from non IB students all the time?***

Opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities, and the priority of a school community, means that every student has the opportunity to connect with other students and participate in interests with diverse groups and individuals.

- ***How will IB help me in University?***

Most universities in Canada recognize the IB and many of them offer transfer credits that exempt students from first-year university courses, valued at \$1500-\$2000 apiece. Our graduates report a wide number of advantages ranging from course and content mastery, advantages when applying for research positions and other extra opportunities, advanced time management skills, increased social and academic confidence, and many more.