## Other components of MYP instruction

#### Approaches to Learning (ATL's)

Building in complexity from grades 7-10, students work on developing these five skill categories

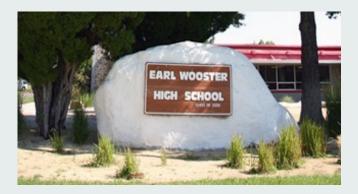
- Social Skills
- Communication skills
- Thinking skills
- Research skills
- Self-Management skills

#### **Global Contexts**

These are the links to "real world" applications of academic content. There are six designated MYP contexts

- Identities and Relationships
- Orientation in space and time
- Personal and cultural expression
- Scientific and technical innovation
- Globalization and sustainability
- Fairness and Development







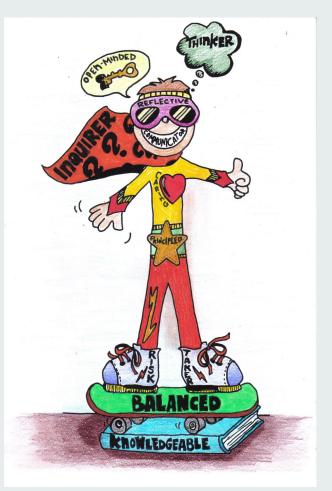
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# The IB Middle Years Program



The IB Middle Years Program is designed to develop global citizens and learners in grades 7-10.

# What is the Middle Year's Program?

MYP is a philosophy of learning and teaching. MYP is aligned with research-based, best practices in education.

#### **MYP students:**

- Ask challenging questions
- Learn how to learn and reflect on their own learning
- Develop a strong sense of their own identity and culture
- Develop the ability to communicate with and understand people from other countries and cultures

### MYP faculty and staff

- Make interdisciplinary connections
- Model the IB learner profile
- Create learning experiences that apply subject matter to real world situations
- Apply best practices to daily lessons
- Design and teach from MYP units of instruction based on inquiry and building conceptual understandings



#### What Classes do students take?

#### **5 Mandatory MYP subjects**

- 1. Individuals and Societies (social studies)
- 2. Language and Literature
- 3. Language Acquisition (Foreign Language
- 4. Mathematics
- 5. Science

#### **Choice of these**

- Art
- Design/Technology
- PE (suggested to Freshmen to meet graduation requirements of 2 credits)

#### One elective

 Freshmen are strongly encouraged to take Computers and Health (semester classes required for graduation)

## What is the Personal Project?

The personal project is a major reflection component of MYP that all students create at the end of the 10th grade.

- Students choose any topic, problem, or issue that they want to learn more about
- Students create some sort of end product or goal which students will evaluate themselves
- Must reflect their growth in the IB learner profile and their success in achieving their goal.
- Must apply academic learning from multiple subjects into a project that has personal meaning for them and is relevant tin a realworld, global context

#### **Examples of projects could include:**

- Creating a website for a community basketball league
- Campaigning to encourage re-usable grocery bags
- Putting on a play at an elementary school about bullying
- Learning about nutrition and exercise to lead a campus fitness support group

