



Calhoun MYP student reads to PYP students at Newton Rayzor Elementary.

The IB's Mission

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.

To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

What programs are available?

Within the IB educational framework there are three programs. Denton ISD offers IB in a continuum through the following:

Primary Years Programme

- Newton Rayzor Elementary School
- Borman Elementary School

Middle Years Programme

- Calhoun Middle School
- Denton High School 9th and 10th grades

Diploma Programme

- Denton High School

Denton ISD is one of a handful of districts nationwide to offer all three programmes.



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Developing Learners who are:

- Inquirers
- Knowledgeable
- Thinkers
- Communicators
- Principled
- Open-minded
- Caring
- Risk-takers
- Balanced
- Reflective



Borman Elementary student engaged in reading! Borman is a part of the Primary Years Programme.

Newton Rayzor & Borman: PYP

The Primary Years Programme prepares students to become active, caring, lifelong learners who demonstrate respect for themselves and others and have the capacity to participate in the world around them. It focuses on the development of the whole child as an inquirer, both within and beyond the classroom.

PYP students develop skills that allow them to be effective communicators, inquirers, thinkers, balanced, courageous, caring, knowledgeable, open-minded, principled, and reflective.

Newton Rayzor students collaborate while working through the learner profile. This is a Primary Years Programme campus.



Denton High Students show off their IB letter jackets above and Calhoun students work on a group project below.



Calhoun: MYP

At Calhoun Middle School, all the students - sixth through eighth - learn through the IB "holistic" approach. The traditional subjects are taught, but students learn to see knowledge as an interrelated "whole" because they learn that there are links between each of the disciplines.

IB MYP students are required to study a minimum of 50 hours during the school year for each of the following courses: Language and Literature (English), Language Acquisition (Spanish or French), Individuals and Societies (social studies), Design, Mathematics, Arts, Sciences and Physical and Health Education.

Denton High: MYP

The IB Middle Years Programme continues at Denton High for freshmen and sophomores. ALL students in the 9th and 10th grade are part of the IB MYP Programme. Through the MYP curriculum students receive strong holistic learning that emphasizes disciplined studies of traditional subjects; inter cultural awareness that develops student attitudes, and communication that stresses a good command of written and oral expression. In the 10th grade MYP students complete a year-long Personal Project based on a topic of their choice that showcases their research skills as well as their ability to apply their knowledge through action and service. The Personal Project, as well as MYP course work act in tandem to prepare students for success in the 11th and 12th grade Diploma Programme.

Denton High: DP

The IB Diploma Programme is a challenging two-year course of study designed to meet the needs of highly motivated and talented high school juniors and seniors. It provides students with the intellectual, social, and critical perspective necessary for the international world.

In 2005, Senate Bill III was passed that awards Texas seniors - who earn the IB Diploma scores of 4 or better - a total of 24 semester credit hours at any Texas public institution of higher education. Diploma candidates select 3-4 subjects to be studied and tested at the higher level and 2-3 subjects to be studied and tested at the standard level. (Higher level exams cover subjects in depth; standard level exams explore a range of topics within a subject.) In the past 3 years IB DP scholarships have accounted for over one-third of all DHS scholarships. Equivalent to over 1.8 million dollars. DP students have also been accepted to prestigious programs such as Harvard, Princeton and Cambridge.