



ST. LOUIS PARK HIGH SCHOOL

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St. Louis Park is a western suburb of Minneapolis with a population of approximately 44,000. Students come from diverse cultural, educational and economic backgrounds. St. Louis Park is a “Children First” community, and has become a national model by using development-asset research to promote positive community attitudes that help children grow toward healthy adult lives.

School profile	Four-year public high school, grades 9-12
2009-10 Enrollment	1346
June 2009 Seniors	285
School year	2 semesters, 7 period days
Accreditation and recognitions	North Central Association, Nationally Designated School of Excellence International Baccalaureate School, in <i>Newsweek's</i> “America’s Best High Schools” (2009) St. Louis Park High School was rated #105 out of 1500 high schools listed, the highest ranked school from Minnesota.

ST. LOUIS PARK INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

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ST. LOUIS PARK I.B. STATISTICS

I.B. authorization:	July 2000
2002 exams	94 students took 113 exams
2003 exams	64 students took 167 exams
2004 exams	126 students took 274 exams
2005 exams	132 students took 323 exams
2006 exams	132 students took 317 exams
2007 exams	202 students took 399 exams
2008 exams	162 students took 435 exams
2009 exams	214 students took 476 exams

I.B. diploma candidates/achieved diploma

2003	13/14
2004	17/17
2005	24/24
2006	18/19
2007	9/9
2008	18/22
2009	11/19

Average points obtained by candidates who passed the diploma

2003	32	2005	31	2007	30	2009	29
2004	32	2006	32	2008	29		

I.B. COURSE OFFERINGS

Group 1	Language A1	English HL
Group 2	Language B	German B SL, Spanish B SL/HL, French B SL, Hebrew B SL
	Language A2	Spanish A2 SL/HL
Group 3	Individuals and Societies	History SL/HL (Americas) Psychology SL/HL
Group 4	Experimental Sciences	Chemistry SL Biology SL/HL Physics SL
Group 5	Mathematics	Mathematics SL Mathematics HL Computer Science SL
Group 6	Arts and Electives	Theatre Arts SL Music SL/HL Cinema SL
	Theory of Knowledge	

I.B. Teaching Staff

Currently, 19 teachers are involved in teaching I.B. courses for juniors and seniors. All of the I.B. teachers teach other classes outside of the I.B. curriculum. Many other teachers are involved in teaching the 9th and 10th grade courses that help prepare our students for the I.B. program.

Student selection process

After receiving information about the I.B. program during their freshmen and sophomore years, students self-select whether they want to be Certificate candidates or full I.B. Diploma candidates. We encourage as many students as possible to take I.B. courses. After explaining the rigor of the diploma program, any student may attempt to earn the I.B. diploma. We are very pleased with the results of our I.B. students and are proud of their accomplishments. We believe students will be very well prepared for college by being involved in the International Baccalaureate Program either as a certificate candidate or a full IB diploma candidate.