DP Examination Process

### Diploma Programme Exam Registration

The IB exam registration is currently wrapping up. If you or a junior or senior student you know is planning on taking an IB exam, please contact Mr. Parks at john.parks@thompsonschools.org. While many students choose to take the IB exams because of the college credit they are eligible for, there are many more reasons to take IB DP classes and exams, including:

- A high level of academic skill development for college preparation
- Learning to understand, rather than memorize
- Critical Thinking and learning to consider new perspectives

#### Registration

**Ends November 6**

Students can register for 1-6 IB exams. $164 registration fee plus $113 per subject. Grants are available.

#### Internal Assessments

**December – March**

Projects, papers, interviews, research and labs are part of the final IB grade 1-7.

#### IB Exams

**May 2-20**

External Assessments in all subject areas

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MYP Evaluation Celebration

During the past 15 months, the teachers, students, parents and administrators came together to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of our Middle Years Programme. This culminated with the evaluation visit, October 12-14. There were a number of positive findings of the evaluation team, including:

- strong support for IB at all levels within our district
- clear understanding of the IB philosophy by all constituents
- collaboration time provided for LHS teachers
- wide variety of service projects
- Strong partnership with our partner school, Erwin MS

Thank you to everyone who participated in this ongoing process of reflection and improvement!
IB Learner Profile

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.

- IB Mission Statement

Risk-taker (Courageous) Celebration

Each month, we focus on a different IB Learner Profile trait and celebrate the students and staff who most exemplify those traits. The start of the school year requires us all to be courageous risk-takers. Those nominated include Brooke Bauer (Sr.), Wendy Dykstra (Jr.), Lexi Powers (So.), Riley Rau (So.), and Mr. Sanchez (DP Staff). Way to challenge yourselves!

Inquirers Abound

The core of IB is being a curious inquirer who develops a love of learning that becomes a lifelong pursuit. The students who exemplify this trait include: Alex Huss (Sr.), Trent McKalco (So.), Lincoln Jacoway (So.), Wendy Dykstra (Jr.), Theo Rider (Fr.), and Joy Bourne

Volunteer Fair Demonstrates Balance

IB students and staff understand the importance of intellectual, physical and emotional balance and strive to achieve that often-elusive balance in our lives. One key aspect of every level of IB is a focus on service, demonstrated particularly in the Freshmen Community Project and DP Creativity, Activity and Service. On October 5, we welcomed twenty-one local service organizations to LHS who were able to offer a wide

Nicaragua 2016 Service Trip

Student interest and excitement is building to join the Loveland International Community Outreach trip to Nicaragua, May 31-June 9, 2016. Mr. Parks will be joining forces with Fort Collins-based SAGE Global education to lead this service trip to the culturally-rich and safe fishing village of San Juan del Sur. Sign up at: www.sageglobaled.org/lov-nic016/