



**Monterey High School
International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme**

Admissions Policy/Criteria

At Monterey High School, we value a variety of educational opportunities for all students both in and outside of the classroom. Due to the nature of the rigor and expectations involved in completing the Diploma Programme, coupled with the desire to include a diverse student population, the following are the minimum requirements for application:

- Cumulative 3.25 GPA in all subjects through the end of the third semester of high school
- Concurrent enrollment in Mathematics 2+ and English 2H
- Completion of Spanish 2 or French 2 with a grade of B or higher
- Completion of timed write with an MYP rubric score of 6 or better (date and time to be communicated at least one month in advance)

Additionally, students must complete an informational application packet including:

- 2 letters of recommendation from teachers who can speak to students' academic curiosity and writing proficiency. These will be pre-printed forms on which teachers rate students on items of academic relevance, and teachers will have the opportunity to add additional commentary.
- Personal Statement of no more than 500 words that explains the student's rationale for applying via a self-assessment of his or her IB Learner Profile characteristic strengths.

Incomplete applications will not be considered for admission. Applications are due by the last day of school in January of the semester prior to the start of the programme.

All admissions decisions will be communicated to the student and family via email. The admissions panel includes administration, DP Coordinator and DP subject teachers. All inquiries can be made to the Programme Coordinator David Swartz at dswartz@mpusd.net.