

The Grading Scheme

Each of the six subjects offered is graded on the following scale:

- Grade 7 = Excellent
- Grade 6 = Very good
- Grade 5 = Good
- Grade 4 = Satisfactory
- Grade 3 = Mediocre
- Grade 2 = Poor
- Grade 1 = Very poor

The number represents the student's exam score combined with the other forms of assessment methods as described in the preceding section. Up to three bonus points can be added to the student's total score based on overall performance in Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay.

Award of the diploma

The diploma will be awarded to a student whose total score, including any bonus points, reaches or exceeds 24 points **and** satisfies the following conditions:

(a) **Higher Level (HL) subjects** - In principle, a student must obtain a grade 4 or above in each Higher Level subject. Nevertheless, one grade 3, but not a grade 2, will be acceptable.

(b) **Standard Level (SL) subjects** – In principle, a student must obtain a grade 4 or above in each Standard Level subject. Nevertheless, one grade 2, but not a grade 1, will be acceptable.

*Note: Students who have completed the requirements for the diploma with only one failing condition, as set out above, but with a total score of at least **28 points**, including any bonus points, will be awarded the diploma.*

Excluding conditions

The diploma cannot be awarded, whatever the total score, to students who have:

1. Not been awarded Grades A to E for both Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay, with above an elementary grade in at least one of these
2. Not completed an approved program of Creativity, Action, and Service
3. Received a grade 1 in any Higher or Standard Level subject
4. Received a total of more than three grade 3's or below

IB Regulations for the Awarding of the IB Diploma

Examinations are administered in May of each year.

The IB Diploma will be awarded provided:

A. All assessment components for each of the six subjects and the additional IB diploma requirements must be completed in order to qualify for the award of the IB diploma, except under certain specific conditions as approved by IB

B. The IB diploma will be awarded to a candidate whose total score is 24, 25, 26, or 27 points, provided all the following requirements have been met.

- All CAS requirements have been met.
- That the grade for both TOK and the extended essay is not elementary.
- There is no grade 1 in any subject.
- There is no grade 2 on a higher level subject.
- There is no more than one grade 2 at standard level
- Overall, there are no more than three grades of 3 or below.
- At least 12 points have been gained on higher level subjects (candidates who register for four higher level subjects must gain at least 16 points at higher level).
- At least 9 points have been gained on standard level subjects (candidates who register for two standard level subjects must gain at least 6 points at standard level).
- The final award committee has not judged the candidate to be guilty of malpractice.

C. The IB diploma will be awarded to a candidate whose total score is 28 points or above, provided all the following requirements have been met:

- All CAS requirements have been met.
- That the grade for both TOK and the extended essay is not elementary.
- There is no grade 1 in any subject.
- There is no more than one grade 2 on a higher level subject.
- There are no more than two grades of 2 on standard level subjects.
- Overall, there are no more than three grades of 3 or below.
- At least 11 points have been gained on higher level subjects (candidates who register for four higher level subjects must gain at least 14 points at higher level).
- At least 8 points have been gained on standard level subjects (candidates who register for two standard level subjects must gain at least 5 points at standard level).
- The final award committee has not judged the candidate to be guilty of malpractice.