

## **International Baccalaureate Program's Middle Years Program**

Hamilton Middle School adopted the Middle Years Program (MYP) of the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) spring of 2016. The MYP is a challenging framework that encourages all scholars to make practical connections between their studies and the real world.

The MYP at Hamilton will be a three year program and scholars who chose to continue with the program can apply to George Washington or Kennedy high schools IB programs. Scholars who complete the MYP are well-prepared to undertake the IB Diploma Programme (DP) or Career-related Programme (CP) at the high school level.

The curriculum framework comprises eight subject groups that are included in Hamilton's daily schedule of classes. There are four core subject classes, foreign language classes, intervention classes, Gifted and Talented classes and all Unified Arts classes. Every child receives a variety of class information and instruction.

The MYP requires an open enrollment for all scholars at Hamilton. The IBO believes in the inclusion of all scholars, at all grade levels and in all subject areas. Teachers are taught to differentiate for all learning styles and levels. All grade level subjects teach the required Denver Public Schools curriculum. Every teacher will receive the three day training from IBO in their content area over the next two years. Several teachers and our principal have been trained the summer.

Implementation of the MYP is a whole-school endeavor.

If you have questions regarding the implementation and authorization of our Middle Years Program please contact Sharon Dacotah, MYP Coordinator or Dr. Christian Sawyer, principal of Hamilton.

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