EISB Middle School Expectations

Academic Development Expectations:

- Improved Study Habits: Students are expected to develop effective study habits, such as regular review of material, creating study schedules, and utilizing organizational tools like planners. This includes work done both in school and at home.
- 2. **Time Management**: Students should learn to manage their time efficiently, balancing homework, projects, and extracurricular activities. Submitting all assignments on time.
- 3. Participation in Class: Active participation in class discussions and activities is expected, demonstrating engagement with the material and contributing to a collaborative learning environment. This also involves asking questions during class!
- 4. Independent Learning: Students should begin to take more responsibility for their learning, including seeking out additional resources, asking for help, and setting personal academic goals. Part of this also includes carefully following instructions.
- Critical Thinking Skills: Middle school students should enhance their critical thinking skills, including analyzing information, evaluating information, and solving complex problems.

Social and Emotional Development Expectations:

- Self-Awareness and Self-Regulation: Students are expected to develop greater self-awareness and self-regulation skills, including recognizing and controlling their own emotions and behaviours. Students should also work to become more aware of their personal strengths and areas for improvement (with teacher guidance).
- 2. **Respect for Others**: Demonstrating respect for classmates, teachers, and school staff is crucial, including practicing good manners, listening to others, respecting personal boundaries, and valuing diverse perspectives (the opinions of other people).
- 3. **Building Relationships**: Developing positive relationships with classmates and teachers is very important, including making new friends, working well in groups, and showing empathy and support towards other people at school.
- 4. **Empathy and Compassion**: Developing empathy and compassion for others is crucial, including understanding and sharing the feelings of peers, showing kindness, and supporting classmates who might need or want help.
- 5. **Responsible Decision-Making**: Middle school students are expected to make responsible decisions, considering the consequences of their actions, making ethical choices, and taking responsibility for their behavior.



The EISB Middle School expectations are aligned with the IB "Approaches to Learning" Skills that students are expected to develop across the MYP:

APPROACHES TO LEARNING

SOCIAL SKILLS

- Developing positive interpersonal relationships and collaboration skills
- · Developing social-emotional intelligence

RESEARCH SKILLS

- · Information-literacy skills
- · Media-literacy skills
- Ethical use of media/information

THINKING SKILLS

- · Critical-thinking skills
- · Creative-thinking skills
- · Transfer skills
- Reflection/metacognitive skills

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

- · Exchanging-information skills
- Literacy skills
- ICT skills

SELF-MANAGEMENT SKILLS

- · Organization skills
- · States of mind

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