



**ATLANTA NEIGHBORHOOD
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International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme Update

October 2018

Our MYP Journey (2014 to 2017)

- ❑ August 2014 - IB MYP Task Force formed (3 school based members, 2 parents and one parent/board member) for self-study
- ❑ August 2015 - Task Force Recommendation, Board Approval to move forward with Candidacy
- ❑ June 2016 - Approved as an MYP Candidate School
- ❑ 2016-17 school year changes: Use of MYP rubrics and grades, unit planners, and ManageBac, monthly information sessions begin

Our MYP Journey (2017 to Present)

- ❑ 2017-18 school year changes: A/B Day schedule, year-long Spanish for all students, Community Project for 8th grade, Introduction of Learner Profile, Approaches to Learning
- ❑ January 2018 - Visit from Consultant (released Application for Authorization)
- ❑ April 2018 - Application for Authorization submitted
- ❑ June 2018 - Application for Authorization approved

Verification Visit - October 22 and 23

Purpose of the visit: To verify the school's claim that it has taken all the necessary actions and is prepared to become an IB World School. For this purpose, the visiting team will:

- gather evidence showing that the school has met all the requirements for authorization
- identify practices that are beyond the requirements and those whose further development will contribute to the effective implementation of the programme.

During the visit the team will:

- Meet with students, teachers, parents/guardians, administration, board members
- Observe classrooms
- Tour facilities
- Conduct an exit interview

<https://www.ibo.org/globalassets/publications/become-an-ib-school/myp-guide-to-authorization-en.pdf>

What happens next?

Authorization feedback is expected within 90 days of the visit. Feedback should be used for continued improvement.

Opportunities as an IB World School:

- Continued Professional Development
- Membership in a strong community and network of fellow schools and educators who collaborate internationally
- Participation as members of curriculum development teams, workshop leaders, and school visitors
- Local association involvement
- Evaluation (4 years)

<https://www.ibo.org/become-an-ib-school/timeline-and-stages/moving-forward-as-an-ib-world-school/>