

LITTLETON HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Lions

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program

IB Diploma Program Newsletter

October 2020

What a crazy last six months we have had. When we last sent out this newsletter in February we never imagined where we would be now. We hope all of you are well and that you are adjusting to hybrid learning.

In May we said goodbye to our 20 senior diploma program candidates. Many of them have started school at colleges and universities around the country, from CU, CSU, Metro and Mines, to Cornell, Tulane, Southern California, and California Polytechnic. A few graduates are taking a "gap year" before they matriculate to their chosen universities.

We also welcome our 30 IB-bound freshmen to Littleton. We hope you have liked your first few weeks here. We also hope you will get involved in sports, clubs and other activities that make you part of our community of Lions.

Fees for May IB exams

For juniors taking one or two IB exams, and all seniors, IB exam fees are due by October 31, 2020. New this year, the exam registration form is online and is due by October 23, 2020.

CAS News

We know that getting CAS service hours during the pandemic is more challenging. Therefore we have changed our requirements for our current juniors and seniors. The integrated project is no longer required, and we are asking for a total of 150 hours spread over C, A, and S. See the <u>CAS</u> <u>page</u> on our website for some stay-at-home CAS ideas. Remember many of the activities, sports and clubs you are already involved in count for CAS.

Juniors-you should have begun logging your experiences in ManageBac.

Seniors-you should be winding things up and be ready to be finished with all of your activities by December 31.

Please email or come see Mrs. Clapsaddle if you have CAS questions. tclapsaddle@lps.k12.co.us

Connecting with peers in an academic pandemic

One of the best things about being an IB student is connecting with other like-minded students. Right now building those relationships can be more difficult. Here's a list of ways to connect with others in your classes.

- On your remote days, invite someone from your alphabet section to work together on your patio or meet at a park
- Create a collaborative playlist to share with friends
- Meet at Starbucks, Barnes & Noble or other location with Wifi to study together
- Have a virtual lunch with a friend
- Host a virtual study group for your classes (especially before a test...)
- Host a virtual game night. Charades anyone?
- Get some fresh air, go on a walk, hike or bike ride with a friend
- Host a virtual dance party
- Host a pet photo competition. Who has the ugliest, cutest, smartest, etc.

In the Classroom



In IB Spanish students are preparing for their internal assessments (IA's) by describing the details of a photo in Spanish. Students worked in pairs. The first student described the photo that Senora Griffin put up on the screen. The second student, without looking at the photo, had to draw a picture based on what the other student described. They then compared their masterpieces with the photo. This was a great exercise to practice all of their Spanish descriptive words.





IB Learner Profile feature: Who is Knowledgeable? Meet Clara Landreth



Clara Landreth is knowledgeable because she looks at all sides of a complex situation and tries to emphathize with other people's perspectives. She seeks to find solutions to problems.