

LITTLETON HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Lions

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program

IB Diploma Program Newsletter September/October 2019

In May we said goodbye to our 26 senior diploma program candidates. They took their exams, and found out their results in July. They have started school at colleges and universities around the country, from CU, CSU, and Mines, to Tufts, Clemson, Creighton and one at the University of Utah Honors College in Incheon, South Korea. A few graduates are taking a "gap year" before they matriculate to their chosen universities.

We also welcome our 42 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.

Retreat at La Foret

Juniors, seniors, and staff thoroughly enjoyed an overnight retreat at La Foret Conference Center in the Black Forest near Colorado Springs. We wanted this retreat to be a bonding experience for all students participating in the IB diploma



program, and that's just what we did. Students and staff tested their minds and bodies on a high/low ropes course. They used their creativity to compete in "Shark Tank", participated in the classic charades and even created a unique "recess game". Hiking, campfire s'mores, and other activities were also on the schedule. We had so much fun we are already planning for next year's retreat. Visit our facebook page for more photos.





Fees for IB exams

For juniors taking one or two IB exams, and all seniors, IB exam fees are due by November 1, 2019. Exam registration forms are due by October 10. New this year, IB has dropped the registration fee. Subject fees are the same as last year at \$119 for each exam. You will be able to pay these fees through our bookkeeper with a check or via Infinite Campus in the parent portal.

Service trip to Fiji and New Zealand Summer 2020

This summer, students have the opportunity to travel to Fiji and New Zealand with Mr. Gordon and Global Works. Trip highlights include teaching English & Geography to Fijian children, home stays with local families in Fijian communities, New Zealand service and exploration, Waitomo Caves, Yasawa Islands snorkel & SCUBA adventure, and Pacific Islands culture and history.

Global Works has provided students with purposeful programming that fosters learning through service projects, cultural exchange activities, language immersion, and adventure travel. For more information please explore the <u>trip overview</u> and talk with Mr. Gordon in the Social Studies department. Trip deposits and application fees are due October 16th.

IB Learner Profile feature: Who is Principled?



Aidan White always acts with respect for the dignity and rights of others. Aidan is a member of "Sources of Strength," a district wide suicide prevention program, emphasizing the strengths in peer-to-peer and peer-to-adult relationships. According to Mrs. Clapsaddle, the CAS coordinator, "Aidan is super cool, and he is finished with his CAS program, so he is definitely my favorite." Aidan also has a solid work ethic. He has worked tirelessly on his Extended Essay, which also reflects his principle-mindedness. His Global Politics topic is "The effect of new American immigration policy on the asylum rights of refugees from South and Central America."

8th graders visit LHS

Thank you to our tour guides (pictured at right) for helping prospective parents and students decide if LHS is the right place for them. We host five tour dates in the fall and approximately 250 families. If you know of families interested in LHS, please tell them to visit the "8th Grade Visits" tab on our website to sign up.



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