



# **The Sarasota County Pre-International Baccalaureate International Baccalaureate Programs at Riverview High School**



## **APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION 2012/2013**

### **RIVERVIEW HIGH SCHOOL**

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## PRE-IB 9<sup>TH</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> GRADE & IB 11<sup>TH</sup>/12<sup>TH</sup>

### CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION FOR ADMISSION

- **Sarasota County Residency: Only residents of Sarasota County are eligible to attend RHS IB. Out of County students may apply but any acceptances are contingent upon residency verification at registration.**
- Recommended final grades of A or B for English, Math, Science, and Social Studies in your previous grade, and 1<sup>st</sup> semester of your current grade level.
- Recommended Level 3 or above (FCAT); Stanine 7 or higher (Total Reading and Total Math) on the Stanford Grade Achievement Test or equivalent standardized test.
- Completion of all appropriate Pre-IB/IB application forms (your paperwork must be complete in order to be evaluated for admission). See **Application Procedure** for requirements.
- Students may be required to take entrance exams for various subject areas.
- Screening Committees will be comprised of Pre-IB and IB staff.
- \*Grade 10 – Please see page 6 for prerequisites.
- \*Grade 11 – very stringent acceptance criteria. Please see page 7 for prerequisites.
- \*Grade 12 – only students transferring from another IB school (with compatible courses) will be accepted.
- No new applications or admissions will be accepted once the 2012 school year has begun.

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**PLEASE: NO PHONE CALLS - E-Mails ONLY**



## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Read, for understanding, the **Academic Guidelines**.
  - Complete the **pages 8 through 14**.
  - Read and sign the **International Baccalaureate Honor Code (page 14)**.
  - Submit the **Guidance Page (page 15)** to the person responsible for record keeping at your school, usually the **Guidance Department** and request that they please provide the required information and then **send it to Riverview High School, One Ram Way, Sarasota, FL 34231...Attention: Carol Miller, IB Secretary**.
  - Parent/Student...**Return pages 8 through 14 to Riverview High School, One Ram Way, Sarasota, FL 34231...Attention: Carol Miller, IB Secretary**. It is not recommended that you ask your school to send these papers to us. Receipt of these pages at Riverview “opens” your file, declares your intent and enables us to contact you if we need additional information.
  - Enrollment is limited. Applications are reviewed only after all required information has been received. Timely return of the requested documentation is very important.
  - No admissions to the program will be allowed once the school year has begun with the exception of students transferring from another International Baccalaureate Diploma School. Please note that courses between the 2 schools need to be compatible.
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- **Please**, in order to devote our time to our current students, **do not call** to check on the status of your application. E mails only!
  - You will be informed of the committee’s decision via the U.S. Post Office. This information will not be given over the phone.
  - Out of district students who are accepted must complete a Reassignment Form prior May 1, 2012. **(If you leave the IB Program, you will be required to return to your home school.)**



## RHS Pre-IB Academic Guidelines

RHS Pre-IB	Requirements	Consequences
9th Grade*	The student must have an unweighted 2.75 GPA <u>each</u> semester.	The student who has less than a 2.75 <u>unweighted</u> semester average will be placed on academic probation
		The student who has an 'F', or 2 'D's', or less than a <u>unweighted</u> GPA of 2.5 will be transitioned from the program at the end of the ninth grade year.
10th Grade*	The student must have an unweighted 2.75 GPA <u>each</u> semester.	The student who has less than a 2.75 <u>unweighted</u> semester average will be placed or remain on academic probation.
.	The student with an unweighted cumulative GPA of 2.5 will be placed on academic advisement	The student who has an 'F', or 2 'D's', or less than a Grade 10 2.5 <u>unweighted</u> GPA will be transitioned from the program.

**(‘Good Standing’: Entrance into IB) At the end of the student’s 10th grade year (pre-IB), the student must be recommended for three HL subject areas by three RHS Pre-IB/IB teachers in order to continue into the IB program. Considerations are academic, attendance, and behavior**



## RHS IB Academic Guidelines

RHS IB	Requirements	Consequences
<b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade - Year 1 – IB</b>	<b><i>First Semester:</i></b> the student must have an <b><i>unweighted 2.75</i></b> GPA for junior year; no more than <b><u>one</u></b> D and <b><i>no F's</i></b>	The student may be requested to leave the program.
<b>The Central Elements: CAS, TOK, EE</b>	<b><i>First Semester:</i></b> (CAS) the student must have completed Planning Essay and documentation of the equivalent of 25 hours, with reflections	The student may be requested to leave the program.
	<b><i>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester:</i></b> the student must have an <b><i>unweighted 2.75</i></b> GPA for junior year; no more than <b><u>one</u></b> D and <b><i>no F's</i></b> .	Any student with more than one D and/or any F's at the end of junior year or does not meet the Year One GPA requirement will be transitioned from the program
	<b><i>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester:</i></b> (CAS) the student must have completed the 'Mid-Point Reflection', and documentation of the equivalent of 50 hours, with reflections; (TOK) the student must have successfully completed the 'Oral Presentation' requirement; (EE) the student must have successfully submitted an extended essay proposal.	Any student who does not meet the Year One 'Central Elements' requirement will be transitioned from the program.
<b>12th Grade – Year 2 IB</b> <b>The Central Elements: CAS, TOK, EE</b>	<b><i>EE:</i></b> the student must submit a completed Extended Essay before the start of Grade 12 classes.	Any student who does not meet the EE requirement will be transitioned from the program.
	<b><i>First semester:</i></b> the student must have an unweighted GPA of 2.75 for senior year, no more than 1 D and no F's. <b><i>Feb. 15:</i></b> (CAS) all reflections, supervisor forms, documented hours and essay must be <b>submitted and approved.</b>	The student may be requested to leave the program. (GPA) A student with an 'F' or more than 1 D at semester will be transitioned  The student will be removed as a Diploma Candidate.



## **Admission Information**

### **Riverview High School Pre-IB 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Entrance Criteria**

**Yearly, a limited number of transfer students are accepted at the 10<sup>th</sup> grade level.**

#### **I. Requirements:**

- Sarasota County residency required
- Completion of all appropriate application forms-  
Pre-IB Student Information Pages  
Parent Information Page  
Honor Code (signed by student and parent)
- Successful completion of Algebra I (honors level preferred)
- Successful completion of Level 1 or above of a second language
- Final Grades of A or B for English, Math, Science, and Social Studies in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade and first semester of 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **II. Recommended:**

- Stanine 8 or higher (Total Reading & Total Math) on Grade 9 National Achievement Test (or comparable standardized test). (All candidates must submit Standardized Test scores.)

#### **III. Favorable Consideration:**

- The Admissions Committee will strongly consider GPA and the strength of courses.
- Students applying as transfers from another IB school or honors programs.

#### **IV. Additional Criteria:**

- Students may be required to take Entrance Examinations for various subject areas or produce other admissions documentation.

**An Admissions Committee made up of Pre-IB and IB staff will review admissions application when file is deemed complete.**



## **Admission Information Riverview High School IB 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Entrance Criteria**

**Yearly, a limited number of transfer students are accepted at the 11<sup>th</sup> grade level.**

### **I. Requirements:**

- Sarasota County residency required
- Completion of all appropriate application forms-
  - IB Student Information Pages
  - Parent Information Page
  - Honor Code (signed by student and parent)
- Final Grades of A or B for English, Math, Science, and Social Studies in 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and first semester of 10<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Successful completion of 2 years of Second Language study
- Successful completion of 1 year of a lab science (minimum)
- Successful completion of Algebra 1 and Algebra 2 (honors level preferred)

### **II. Recommended:**

- Stanine 8 or higher (Total Reading & Total Math) on Grade 10 National Achievement Test (or comparable standardized test). (All candidates must submit Standardized Test scores.)

### **III. Favorable Consideration:**

- Completion of geometry or trigonometry in addition to Algebra 1 and Algebra 2
- The Admissions Committee will strongly consider GPA and the strength of schedule
- Students applying as transfers from another IB school or honors programs

### **IV. Additional Criteria:**

- Students may be required to take Entrance Examinations for various subject areas or produce other admissions documentation.

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RHS Pre-IB Application: Parent/Guardian Information and Statement of Intent

Student \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First M.I.

I have read the IB/Pre-International Baccalaureate literature and commit my full support to my child’s participation. I understand that meeting the eligibility requirements does not ensure admission to the program and that the decision of the selection committee will be final.

I will ensure that my child has uninterrupted study time daily and will supervise the use of the study time in the most productive way. I will also commit my support to the IB teachers by following their guidance regarding further study in order to ensure my child’s successful completion of the program s/he has chosen. I understand that the International Baccalaureate curriculum is prescriptive and as such Pre-IB/IB staff must teach what IB prescribes.

I further understand that as a part of the IB Diploma requirements, my son/daughter must complete 150 hours of CAS (Creativity, Action, Service) between the end of the sophomore year and prior to the second semester of the senior year, and should have all activities pre-approved by the CAS mentor. Since CAS hours must be completed beyond the regular school day, it becomes the parents’ and students’ responsibility to schedule events and transportation to and from events. CAS hours will also help to meet the volunteer requirements for National Honor Society and Florida Academic Scholars. In addition, and as per Sarasota County School District’s pupil progression policy, IB students must complete all other full diploma school requirements (all IB exams, extended essay, etc.). If a student requests to leave the program after grade 9, the request must be made in writing preceding the beginning of the next academic year. Further, I understand that should my child leave the IB program s/he must meet all graduation requirements as specified by the Florida Statute and the Sarasota County Pupil Progression Plan. **I also understand that if my child is an out of district student and we choose to leave the IB Program, he/she will have to return to our districted school.**

If my child is accepted to the Pre-IB/IB program, I agree to support his/her participation for at least one year. Further, I agree to attend all RHS Open Houses and *mandatory* Pre-IB/IB Parent meetings.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**The International Baccalaureate**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Print**

**RHS IB HONOR CODE**

**The International Baccalaureate offers a quality education that not only ensures knowledge, but also cultivates the virtues of honor, courtesy, and perseverance. Of these virtues, honor is of great importance, for it is personal integrity that will influence and finally determine many of our actions and beliefs. To help the development of such values, the RHS Pre-IB/IB Honor Code has been established.**

An RHS pre-IB or IB student is expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity, overall scholarship, school leadership and community responsibility.

So that the expectations of the IB faculty are clear, we have compiled a list of behaviors we unanimously agree are forms of cheating.

1. Looking on someone else’s paper during a test or quiz.
2. Plagiarizing another’s words or ideas (including data downloaded from the internet) in a report, research paper, or extended essay.
3. Revealing to someone who has not taken a test or quiz what the questions or problems are.
4. Copying or conferring with other students or with adults on any independently designated assignment.
5. Writing notes in a convenient place and referring to them during a test or quiz.
6. Sliding your paper into viewing range of another student during a test or quiz.
7. Working out signals and using them to help someone on a test or quiz.
8. Looking at the paper of a student who is still working on a test when you come into the room from another class; checking out the teacher’s desk to see what might be helpful.
9. Misrepresenting the submission of information (events, hours, or other data) regarding the CAS component of the program.
10. Unauthorized use of technological devices to complete, disseminate or reveal information or answers to self or others.
11. Having knowledge of another IB student’s plan or participation in “cheating” without confiding directly or anonymously to IB personnel.
12. Any infraction that warrants a school referral, or violation of civil or criminal law.

Both IB and RHS will treat cheating as a very serious matter. An IB Honor Council consisting of the principal, IB Coordinator, a counselor and at least 2 faculty members will convene to decide upon disciplinary action when an infraction of the honor code occurs. In addition to receiving disciplinary action, an IB student who is found to have breached the IB Honor Code will be a candidate for exit from IB. **Out of district students will be required to return to their districted school, if removed from the IB program.** If a student has been found in violation of the Honor Code, he or she will not be recommended for the National Honor Society or any of the other honor societies. If the student is already a member, the sponsor of the organization will be notified. In addition, letters of recommendation to colleges may be withheld and a student must notify colleges of the infraction. Finally, a violation of the IB Honor Code signifies that a student is not in ‘good standing’ within the IBO.

Whether you are specifically asked to sign the honor pledge for each IB assignment or not, it will be understood that as an IB student you will always be able to sign the following:

On my honor, I promise that I have neither given nor received help on this assignment/examination, nor will I pass on information to others.

I have read, understand, and agree to the terms of the IB Honor Code and Guidebook (riverviewib.com).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent



# RHS Pre-IB/IB Application: Guidance Page

*This page is to be completed by the Guidance Counselor and returned by them to Riverview High School. Note: enrollment is limited so your timely response to this student's request is appreciated.*

**STUDENT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    **Last**                                    **First**                                    **Middle**

**SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GRADE APPLYING FOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

This student is applying to join the Preliminary International Baccalaureate Program (grades 9/10) or the International Baccalaureate Program (grades 11/12) at Riverview High School. As part of the admission process, students must meet certain academic criteria.

**Please attach photocopies of the following documents and return to the address below:**

1. FINAL REPORT CARD FOR THE PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED SCHOOL YEAR
2. MOST RECENT REPORT CARD – must at least contain the first semester
3. SCORE REPORT FOR MOST RECENT ACHIEVEMENT TESTS (ex; Stanford, FCAT, NAT, CTBS)

**Please return these documents to:**

**ATTN: Carol L. Miller, IB Secretary  
Riverview High School  
One Ram Way  
Sarasota, FL 34231  
Fax (941) 316-8079**

**Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Carol Miller at:**  
Carol\_Miller@sarasota.k12.fl.us  
923-1484, Ext. #64233.  
Fax 316-8079

**Counselor Endorsement**

*Please Check One*

\_\_\_\_\_ *To the best of my knowledge there is no compelling reason whether personal, academic or behavioral that would preclude this student from being successful in the IB program.*

\_\_\_\_\_ *I would like to discuss this student's potential further.*

**Please sign and date that you have completed this portion of the Pre-IB/IB Application.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Guidance Counselor Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**