Welcome to the Riverview International Baccalaureate Program! This is an exciting time for your student. We hope you will stay involved in your child's education by participating in the IB Parent Organization (IBPO). Throughout the year we sponsor activities for our students and have a lot of fun in the process. See all the opportunities below. Your donations and time are greatly appreciated! We look forward to seeing you this coming school year!

RIVERVIEW IBPO COMMITTEES

<u>ORIENTATION (August)</u> = Prior to school starting, the students pick up schedules, get lockers, and seniors turn in extended essays/reflective projects. IB gear is available for purchase as well. IBPO parents work in the stations that the students pass through to get all their information. Involves approx. 2 hours per orientation session.

9TH **GRADE BREAKFAST WITH THE PRINCIPAL (September)** = All IB 9th graders enjoy a delicious breakfast during 1st period and receive a personal welcome from Dr. Minor and our Principal, Ms. Erin Del Castillo. IBPO parents donate breakfast foods and drinks, set up in the cafeteria, help serve and/or clean up. Some items are donated by businesses. IBPO parents organize the event.

<u>PARENT COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL (September)</u> = All parents are invited to enjoy a delicious breakfast during 1st period and receive a personal welcome from our Principal, Ms. Erin Del Castillo. IBPO parents bring breakfast foods and coffee, set up in the cafeteria, help serve and clean up. IBPO parents organize the event.

COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVE VISITS (Sept./Oct./Early Nov.) = College representatives from 30-50 schools visit Riverview; students are able to meet with the colleges of their interest and gain valuable information. IBPO parents welcome each college representative in the front office, grace them with the provided goody bag, and show the rep to the Success Center. Each greeting takes approx. 15 minutes, unless you wish to stay for the information session.

11TH **GRADE PINNING CEREMONY (October or November)** = IB 11th graders are given an induction ceremony in which they receive an IB pin, celebrating their achievement of continuing into the IB program. Each student walks across stage, introduces themselves, and receives a special pin. Student's families are cordially invited and a small reception is given after the ceremony. IBPO parents organize the event along with IB leadership in 2 or 3 meeting dates. The night of the event, volunteers set up and clean up for the reception.

<u>SOPHOMORE CELEBRATION (January or after)</u> = To keep the sophomore's enthusiasm for the IB program top notch, students have treats at the 2^{nd} semester Community days (past ideas

include pizza and ice cream party) along with a speaker presentation about their future benefits from the IB program. IBPO parents organize this along with IB leadership in 2-3 meetings.

<u>IB RECOGNITION CEREMONY (March or April)</u> = This fun celebration recognizes the achievements of many of the IB students, ranging from academic accomplishments, extracurricular involvement, learner profile successes, and more. Entertainment ranges from viewing IB film student's short films, student and teacher performances, raffles and more. This committee includes students, teachers, parents, and IB leadership to help put this fun event together. Involvement includes several meetings over a couple months.

SENIOR BANQUET (May) = The senior IB diploma students are honored with their own private graduation celebration. An IBPO parent committee puts this special night together.

<u>TEACHER APPRECIATION</u> = This committee is ongoing throughout the year, providing special treats for the IB teachers on holidays and other teacher meeting occasions. IBPO parents provide goodies for the special occasions, dropping them off at school on the day of the event or before. There is also need for help in set up and clean up.

PROCTOR IB EXAMS (April/May) = At the end of the year, seniors and some juniors take the IB exams off campus. IBPO parents work with IB staff to proctor exams, which includes helping to hand out exams, keep time, and watch over the students. Each exam is approx. 2 hours long.

<u>IB GEAR COMMITTEE</u> = IB gear, including t-shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, stickers, etc., is sold throughout the year to students, parents and teachers. IBPO parents take care of the inventory, as well as the ordering and selling of gear. At special events throughout the year, an IB gear table is set up and volunteers help sell the products.

<u>INFORMATION NIGHTS (January)</u> = Families interested in the IB program are invited for an informative session and tour with IB leadership, current IB students, and IBPO parents. IBPO parents may hand out and collect forms, answer question, and sell IB gear.