

We are an authorized International Baccalaureate world school!

A big big thank you!



In March of this year, just one week before the pandemic changed the course of education, IMS had two International Baccalaureate (IB) educators visit our school to evaluate our practices and procedures as an IB World School. The preparation for this project required hard work and collaboration from all of our stakeholders—teachers, students, parents, community members.

HUGE shout out to everyone who participated in this evaluation. Teachers you are amazing!! Your feedback, collaboration, and teamwork are unmatched!! I also would like to thank the parents who generously volunteered their time to share their experiences as an IMS and IB parent.

This year and a half long project was presented to the evaluators on March 5th and March 6th of this year. The visit included conversations and meetings with students, staff, and parents. Evidence of our best practices was presented and classrooms were shown. About 8 (loooong) weeks later, we received our results.... and **CONGRATULATIONS IMS!!** We did it!! We remain an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) world school. The evaluation provided us with important feedback and below are some of the highlights. Thank you IMS!!!

- Tremendous commitment to the Primary Years Programme and IB philosophy
- Open communication throughout the IMS community
- Inviting, collaborative, and stimulating physical and virtual learning environments
- Fostering the development of the [Learner Profile](#) in all teaching and learning
- Collaborative planning and reflection
- Clear, strong, and important mission statement



At IMS we are S.T.A.R.s!

Learning to be at school again!

This year may look different, but at IMS we are excited and ready to learn! To start the year, every classroom is dedicating time to make sure students feel like STARS. We are studying and practicing what it means to be safe, thoughtful, accepting, and responsible in all areas of the school.

These are also called our “Essential Agreements” and link to the 10 PYP learner profile words: **Balanced, Caring, Communicator, Inquirer, Knowledgeable, Open-Minded, Principled, Reflective, Risk Taker, and Thinker.**

Being a STAR helps us to “live PYP”. This is a saying we use at the end of morning announcements each day and it means that we are going to do our best to live the IMS mission!

At IMS We Are All Stars!

- ★ **Safe**
- ★ **Thoughtful**
- ★ **Accepting**
- ★ **Responsible**

IMS Mission Statement: International Magnet School aims to develop internationally minded global citizens who take action for a better, more peaceful world. We are committed to providing equity, excellence, and success for all through high quality educational services.

Ask your child what they have been doing to live PYP! Here are some of our STARS living PYP this month!!



Balanced, Thinker



Open-minded, Reflective



Principled, Communicator