



SOUTH DADE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

ACCESS AND /OR ADMISSIONS POLICY AND SELECTION PROCESS

Students are admitted or selected into the IB Diploma Programme (DP) based on the following criteria:

- Maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.5 (C average) for all courses and all semesters. Averages falling below a C average will be reviewed, and the student may be placed on probation.
- Earn final grades of “C” or better in each class.
- Earn effort grades of 2 or better in each class.
- Earn conduct grades of “B” or above in each class and demonstrate appropriate behavior as outlined in the Code of Student Conduct. Suspensions will result in automatic dismissal from the program.
- Maintain satisfactory attendance (no more than 10 absences / 20 tardies).

Students meeting the above criteria are invited to participate in an interview along with their parents to discuss DP programme components and requirements, including:

- Commitment to the full IB Diploma Programme requirements as outlined in the IB Scope and Sequence chart.
- Completion of the 7 CAS learning outcomes and an extended community service project through Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) starting in 11th grade and continuing through 12th grade.
- Completion of at least 150 service hours between 9th grade and the end of 11th grade to meet Florida Academic Scholars Bright Futures Scholarship requirements.
- Completion of an original Extended Essay of approximately 4,000 words for submission to the IBO, following South Dade Senior High procedures and deadlines.
- Satisfying Internal Assessment requirements, examination requirements in each of the six subject groups, and Theory of Knowledge (TOK) requirements by the due dates set by South Dade Senior High.
- Participation in after-school tutorials, teacher assistance, and counseling as needed for academic support.
- Adherence to the School Uniform and ID Policy.

- Demonstration of honesty, integrity, and behavior that reflects positively on the IB community, including avoiding all forms of academic dishonesty (plagiarism, cheating, malpractice, etc.).
- Attendance at required meetings with the IB Coordinator to review academic progress, exam preparation, and other programme requirements.

DP Programme benefits are also discussed at the interview. If all parties agree, students submit their course requests at that time, and schedules are created.

Regulatory Compliance:

The IB Diploma Programme at South Dade Senior High School operates under the guidelines of the **Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) Magnet Program procedures**. In addition, South Dade SHS reviews and addresses all admissions decisions to ensure **full compliance with IB requirements** and a strong commitment to **providing inclusion opportunities** for all eligible students within our school www.sdsh.net

Please also reference to the IB -South Dade SHS and IB-MDCPS Contracts listed on our website to verify graduation requirements.

Students applying through the MDCPS Magnet Program who select the DP Programme must also meet the same criteria listed above.

Most recent review: August 13, 2025. In consensus with school representatives and IB Teachers and Administrators