

## Addendum to Enrolments and Admissions Policy

### Entry to the IB Diploma

#### GLENUNGA INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SEEKING TO STUDY THE IB DIPLOMA

Students who wish to study the IB Diploma in Year 11 must meet the following Requirements for Success:

- Study subjects in Year 10 that lead to an IB Diploma subject; for example, students wanting to study Chemistry in the IB should select Year 10 Pre-Senior Science and Chemistry Specialist.
- To automatically progress to the subject at IB level in Year 11, students must demonstrate proficiency in their Year 10 subjects, at a B or better. If the student does not achieve a B or better, discussions occur with the family to ensure that if the student takes the subject, that she/he will cope with the subject. The IB Leader, Year 10 Sub School Leader or the Deputy Principal Curriculum are responsible for this discussion. Students may be provided with additional support where appropriate; for example, academic, literacy, language, specific learning needs.
- Where students do not meet the Requirements for Success in all subjects, an on-balance judgement is made on whether the student can construct a viable IB course. If they are able to do so, then students are approved to take the IB in Year 11.
- Students are monitored to ensure that they are succeeding and offered support where required.

#### STUDENTS SEEKING ENTRY TO GLENUNGA TO STUDY THE IB DIPLOMA

Glenunga is a Department for Education (DfE) school, which because of extreme pressure on enrolments, is governed by a DfE Capacity Management Plan. This means that there are ceilings to enrolment numbers at each year level, and the school cannot accept students above that maximum. The Capacity Management Plan allows for an exemption for up to 10 students to enter the school, specifically to study the IB Diploma in Year 11 and 12. As the only government school currently offering the IB Diploma, DfE allows this exemption, to provide the opportunity for students in the state system, to access IB quality education.

#### Students Seeking Entry to Study the IB Diploma: Conditions of Entry

The student:

- Must be in Year 9 or 10 to be eligible for entry to Year 11 IB. Students enter the school at one of the following points:
  - At the beginning of Year 10.
  - Semester Two Year 10.
  - The beginning of Year 11.
- Must provide achievement reports from their current school, indicating that she/he is able to successfully study at the level that the Diploma requires in specific subjects. The results should correspond with the achievement levels prescribed in the Glenunga Requirements for Success. For example, students who want to take Physics should be demonstrating proficiency in Science at Year 10 and should be achieving at least a B grade.
- The Principal of the current school is contacted to inform them of the request for admission to the IB at Glenunga.

#### Students Seeking Entry to Study the IB Diploma: The Entry Process

- Families who express an interest, are invited to attend an interview with the Deputy Principal Senior School, or the IB Leader. The purpose of the interview is to explain the requirements of the IB Diploma to

students, including the IB Theory of Knowledge, CAS and Extended Essay. The philosophy of the IB and the school's Values are also discussed at this time.

- At this meeting key elements of the Diploma are resolved such as:
  - The student's possible subject line up including Maths course.
  - Subjects in each group.
  - Language A and B.
  - Students may be asked to take a language and Maths assessment to gauge the appropriate support required, particularly with students for whom English is not their first language.
  - Possible Higher Level options.
- Families are asked to identify any areas where the student may need additional support ie academic, literacy, language, specific learning needs.

Students are monitored in the first semester of the IB Diploma to ensure that they are coping well with the programme and to provide support if required.

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