

Middle Years Programme

Programme Standards

The MYP committee has established MYP programme standards that will become part of the programme evaluation process from 2003 onwards. All authorized schools are expected to work towards achieving these standards as they fully implement and develop the MYP. Commendations, recommendations and matters to be addressed will be based on the school's achievement according to these standards.

Section A: MYP Philosophy and Principles

Standard A1

There is close alignment between the educational beliefs and values of the school and the fundamental principles of the MYP.

Standard A2

The fundamental concepts, principles and practices of the MYP are appropriately communicated to all relevant constituencies within the school.

Section B: MYP Organization

Standard B1

The school provides ongoing support to the programme through staffing, administrative structures and other resourcing.

Standard B2

The school's structures and curriculum management practices ensure the development of the central role of the areas of interaction in teaching and learning.

Standard B3

The school provides opportunities and a structure enabling students to act and reflect on their actions, contributing to the well being of themselves, the community and the environment.

Section C: Curriculum and Assessment

Standard C1

The school provides structured learning at every year level in every subject group of the MYP curriculum model according to the requirements and objectives stated in the subject group guides.

Standard C2

The school has implemented a system through which teachers are able to plan and reflect in subject-specific and cross-curricular teams.

Standard C3

Teachers select and use a range of teaching and learning strategies appropriate to the objectives of the programme.

Standard C4

The school's policies and practices with regard to assessment, recording and reporting correspond to the principles of MYP criterion-based assessment.

Section D: Personal Project

Standard D

The school has developed structures and practices that support the completion of the personal project by all MYP students in the last year of the programme according to the objectives and requirements stated in the *Personal Project* guide.