



# Smoky Hill High School IB Exam Registration May 2021 Exam Session

*What you need to know...*



# What will you learn this evening?

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- How are the exams scored?
- What are the requirements to earn the diploma?
- When should the exams be taken?
- Test Higher Level or Standard Level?
- What is the registration process?
- What are the exam fees and how can I pay?



# How are the exams scored?

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- Students test (at least) once in all **6 subjects**.
- IB exams are scored on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 7 (highest).
- **45** is the **maximum** number of points awarded. (6) grade 7's + 3 bonus points for A's on Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge papers.
- The final subject grade is a combination of the internal assessment (IA) grade and the external assessment (exam).
- Depending upon the subject, the IA grade is 20-50% of the final grade.



# Example Assessment Breakdown: English

Assessment component	Weighting
<b>External assessment (3 hours)</b>	<b>70%</b>
<p><b>Paper 1: Guided literary analysis (1 hour 30 minutes)</b> The paper consists of two passages: one prose and one poetry.</p> <p>Students choose one and write a guided literary analysis in response to two questions. (20 marks)</p>	<b>20%</b>
<p><b>Paper 2: Essay (1 hour 30 minutes)</b> The paper consists of three questions for each literary genre.</p> <p>In response to one question students write an essay based on at least two works studied in part 3. (25 marks)</p>	<b>25%</b>
<p><b>Written assignment</b> Students submit a reflective statement and literary essay on one work studied in part 1. (25 marks)</p> <p>The reflective statement must be 300–400 words in length.</p> <p>The essay must be 1,200–1,500 words in length.</p>	<b>25%</b>
<b>Internal assessment</b>	<b>30%</b>
<p>This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.</p> <p><b>Individual oral commentary (10 minutes)</b> Students present a formal oral commentary and answer subsequent questions on an extract from a work studied in part 2. (30 marks)</p>	<b>15%</b>
<p><b>Individual oral presentation (10–15 minutes)</b> The presentation is based on works studied in part 4. It is internally assessed and externally moderated through the part 2 internal assessment task. (30 marks)</p>	<b>15%</b>





# What are the requirements to earn the IB diploma?

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## Candidates must:

- Test in **all** six subject areas
- Register for 3 HL (higher level) and 3 SL (standard level) exams. Or, candidates may register for 4 HL and 2 SL exams.
- Score a minimum of **24 points** -- at least 12 points in HLs and at least 9 points in SLs (or 16 HL and 6 SL)
- Fulfill CAS (150 hrs), Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge (ToK) requirements.
- **Important:** An “E” grade for either Theory of Knowledge or Extended Essay is **automatic failing condition regardless of point total.**



# The IB Diploma will be awarded if these 10 conditions are met...

1. CAS requirements have been met.
2. Candidate's total points are 24 or more.
3. There is no "N" awarded for a contributing subject.
4. There is no "E" awarded for either TOK Title Paper or the EE.
5. There is no grade 1 awarded in a subject/level.
6. There are no more than 2 grade 2's awarded (HL or SL).
7. There are no more than 3 grade 3's or below awarded (HL or SL).
8. The candidate has gained 12 or more points on HL subjects (for candidates who register for four HL subjects, the three highest grades count).
9. The candidate has gained 9 or more points on SL subjects (candidates who register for two SL subjects must gain at least 6 points at SL).
10. The candidate has not been found guilty of academic misconduct.



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**When should my  
child test?**



# Testing Junior or Senior Year???

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- **Diploma candidates** (seniors) may sit for all six exams in their senior year.
- **Anticipated candidates** (juniors) may sit for up to **two SL** exams (no HL exams for juniors).
  - \*If you are taking the following subjects, you **MUST** test this year: Enviro Systems SL, Chemistry SL, Level 5 in a World Language. You **are** allowed to test Level 4 in a language (except for Japanese ab initio)
- **Course candidates** (in 6th subject areas only) may sit for exams either year, but if sitting for an HL exam, it must be during their **senior** year.



# What are the six subject areas?

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- Group 1- English
- Group 2- World Language
- Group 3- Social Science
- Group 4- Experimental Science
- Group 5- Math
- Group 6- Arts or a 2nd Group 2-5



# What exams are offered at Smoky Hill?

Exams ( <u>circle the subject &amp; level of testing</u> )			Teacher
	<u>Subject</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>INITIAL</u>
<b>Group 1:</b>	English*	SL HL	_____
<b>Group 2:</b>	Japanese*	<i>ab initio</i>	_____
	Latin	SL	_____
	Spanish	SL	_____
	Spanish*	<i>ab initio</i>	_____
<b>Group 3:</b>	History*	SL	_____
	History of Europe*	HL	_____
<b>Group 4:</b>	Chemistry	SL	_____
	Enviro. Systems <small>(Can count for Group 3)</small>	SL	_____
	Physics*	SL HL	_____
<b>Group 5:</b>	Math Applications	SL	_____
	Math Applications*	HL	_____
	Math Analysis	SL	_____
	Math Analysis*	HL	_____
<b>Group 6:</b>	Business	SL HL	_____
	Music	SL	_____
	Psychology* <small>(Can count for Group 3)</small>	SL HL	_____
	Theatre*	SL HL	_____
	Visual Arts*	SL HL	_____

EE (seniors only): Subject: \_\_\_\_\_ Category: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Mrs. Harmon's or Mrs. Radosevich's initials): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Only seniors can register for these categories. Only seniors can register for HL.

Note: This is what the exam registration booklet looks like.



# Higher Level (HL) or Standard Level (SL) ?

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- Candidates should choose their strongest subjects for their HL exams.
- Any subject combination is acceptable as long as there is one subject from **each** group and there are 3 HLs and 3 SLs (or 4 HLs and 2 SLs).
- Candidates should think about their strengths and talk with their teachers and counselors.
- Candidates can take a class for two years and still test SL. **Juniors cannot take an HL exam.**



# What are some sample testing combinations?

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- Math HL
- Science HL
- 6<sup>th</sup> subject HL or next strongest subject
- World language SL
- History SL
- English SL
- History HL
- English HL
- Third HL (6th subject humanities/art or next strongest area)
- Math SL
- Science SL
- World Language SL



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**In what ways does IB  
help with college costs?**



# Exam Fees May 2021

	<b>Juniors</b>	<b>Seniors</b>
Registration Fee	Cancelled as of August 2019!	<del>\$172</del>
Subject Fee	\$119/subject	\$119/subject
Courier mailing fee	\$20/subject	\$20/subject
IB Stole Fee	N/A	\$13



# Total Exam Fees Breakdown

## TOTAL Exam and Postage Fees

Juniors		Seniors	
One exam	\$139	Four exams	\$569
Two exams	\$278	Five exams	\$708
		Six exams	\$847



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Is it worth the expense?



# Let's look at the numbers...

## THE COST...

- **\$53,775** is the average cost of attendance (tuition and fees only) for **one year** at University of Denver
- **\$12,500** is the average cost of attendance (tuition and fees only) for **one year** at CU Boulder (in state)
- **\$12,260** is the average cost of attendance (tuition and fees only) for **one year** at CSU Fort Collins (in state)

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## THE BENEFIT...

- **\$847** is the cost of six IB exams which could translate to **24 credits** or a **full year of tuition** at a Colorado college or university.
- **4** is typically what candidates need to score in each subject to earn their IB Diploma.
- **Zero** time wasted on remedial coursework. IB kids often test out of required 'gen-ed' freshman classes.



# What are the next steps?

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- Complete your exam registration booklet.
  - Get teacher signatures and parent signature **ASAP**.
- Seniors need Mrs. Harmon's or Mrs. Radosevich's signature (EE draft completion). Find them in the library.
- Turn in completed yellow booklet **and** payment at the same time to Ms. Marrs at the IB Office in Counseling.
  - Due no later than **Friday, October 30th**.
- Seniors - Be sure to include your \$13 IB graduate stole fee (Diploma candidates only).
- Students verify their registration (with signature).
- **No refunds after Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>**
- **Late/changes to registration after Nov. 13th will be charged extra fees!**



# Payment Options

- We have an **online payment** option on the SHHS website through the Online Payments portal, found under 'IB Program'
  - Can accept most Credit Cards and e-checks, EXCEPT for Discover. Note: there is a 3.5% service fee for CC payments
  - <https://smokyhillhs.revtrak.net/ib-program/#/v/IB-EXAM-REGISTRATIONS>
- We accept **checks** made out to "Smoky Hill High School"; please write your student's name in the check memo
- We also accept **cash**

If we need to go to fully remote learning and we do not return to the current hybrid model before Oct. 30th, online payments will be the **ONLY** option available.

Exam registration will be submitted via a Google form that we will email to you, and payment must be submitted online.

If you prefer to pay with check or cash, we encourage you do so early just in case. The registration booklet & payment must be submitted at the same time.



# Families with need

- Students who are eligible for **Free/Reduced lunch** this academic year qualify for reduced exam fees. Proof of F/R lunch eligibility is **REQUIRED**.
  - For a copy of your student's F/R lunch documentation, contact CCSD Food & Nutrition Services at (720)886-7172 or email [irojasnarvaez@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:irojasnarvaez@cherrycreekschools.org)
  - Send your documentation to Ms. Marrs at [emarrs@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:emarrs@cherrycreekschools.org). She will contact you with information about your exam fee reduction, what you owe, and your payment options.
- We offer a **Monthly Payment Plan** option on a limited basis to families with **\*demonstrated need\***
  - Parent(s) **MUST** meet with Mr. Ady, IB DP Coordinator, to set up a payment plan agreement. Contact Ms. Marrs to make an appointment with Mr. Ady.
  - Note: Exam fees must be paid in full by May 1st, 2020.
- Link for **ONLINE** payments for F/R lunch and/or payment plans:
  - <https://smokyhillhs.revtrak.net/ib-program/#/v/IB-EXAM-REGISTRATIONS-FOR-FREE-REDUCED-LUNCHPAYMENT-PLANS>



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# QUESTIONS?



If you have questions or concerns, contact Ms. Marrs at the IB Office at **(720)886-5420** or **[emarrs@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:emarrs@cherrycreekschools.org)**