

Nautilus Middle School
an IB Candidate School
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IB/MYP INFORMATION FAQ'S



What does IBO stand for?

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ORGANIZATION

What is the MYP (Middle Years Programme)?

The MYP is the middle grades IB program that emphasizes global awareness and open mindedness for students and teachers. The MYP incorporates the IB learner profile. More information can be found at www.IBO.org

How will the MYP help my child?

The MYP is formulated on three fundamental concepts:

- the notion that all learning is interrelated (holistic learning) and contributes to the development of an individual with attributes described by the IB learner profile.
- the encouragement of international mindedness through the exploration of other cultures across the curriculum.
- the importance of communication, verbal and non verbal , in the development of the child.

What additional work will be required in the MYP?

Nautilus Middle School follows the proscribed curriculum for Miami Dade County Public Schools. The MYP offers another dimension in the delivery of existing requirements through 5 areas of interaction, not additional work.

What are the aims of the Middle Years Programme?

- Responsible participation in society
- Global citizenship
- Appreciation and understanding of all people
- Inquiry learning to acquire, understand and relate knowledge to the larger world
- Respect for the cultures and attitudes that make for the richness of life

How can my child be part of this program?

All students participate in the MYP. All teachers in all classes at Nautilus have been trained in IB methods and strategies; all children are getting the benefit of this instruction.

What is the Nautilus International Academy (NIAC)?

Introduced to a small group of 6th graders in 2008-09, NIAC is the inaugural program for students to participate in an IB immersed curriculum and take all IB required classes.

What is an IB Candidate School?

Nautilus is currently an “IB Candidate School” pursuing authorization to offer the Middle Years Programme. We are in the second year of a 3-5 year process leading to full IB authorization.