

## IB Mission Statement

The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end, the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programs of international education and rigorous assessment. These programs encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and life-long learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

## PBMS Mission Statement

Pacetti Bay Middle School exists to inspire within its students a passion for lifelong learning and a commitment to personal integrity and academic excellence. Students will aspire to be critical thinkers, internationally minded, and responsible global citizens who display a balanced sense of social responsibility for their local community and the world at large.

## The Guiding Principles of IB

1. Holistic (Interdisciplinary) Learning
2. Intercultural Awareness
3. Communication



The Learner Profile helps guide us as learners, because we strive to be:

Inquirers	Knowledgeable
Thinkers	Communicators
Principled	Open-Minded
Caring	Risk-Takers
Balanced	Reflective

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Pacetti Bay Middle School

An International Baccalaureate World School



An  
Introduction  
to the  
IB MYP  
at PBMS



## What is the IB MYP?



The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program is for students

aged 11 to 16 and is designed as an inclusive, whole-school program by the IB, a not-for-profit organization supporting the education of more than 1 million students in over 3,700 schools in 147 countries.

## What does the MYP look like at Pacetti Bay?

We are proud to be the ONLY authorized IB middle school in St. John's County and one of the fewer than 100 MYP programs in the state of Florida.

Being an IB middle school means that ALL of our students are IB

students!

- Students follow a path of rigorous learning that includes courses in all of the traditional subject areas, as well as technology, performing and visual arts, and foreign language (Spanish).
- Our MYP teaches our students tools for life-long learning that help foster in them a knowledge of who they are as learners and how they fit into the world around them.
- Through the Middle Years lens, our students learn to think globally and to help make the world a better place.



## Learning to See Service as Action

Pacetti Bay's MYP also teaches students to value two of the essential components of the MYP: service and action. These values grow out of student participation in local and global communities. Our Wildcats regularly engage in community service experiences; in fact, doing so is an expectation we set for each student in each grade level of our school: 2 experiences for sixth grade, 3 for seventh, and 4 for eighth, with at least one additional experience to be done over the summer of any year a student is with us.

Beginning in the 2015-2016 school year, eighth graders will also participate in the Community Project— a student-designed and led initiative to help a need in our local or global community. Working alone or in groups of up to three, students will identify a need they'd like to fill, create a plan to do just that and then implement the plan. This service as action model is essential to the MYP and will serve as a culminating experience for each student's time at PBMS.

