



**ACS Athens**  
American Community Schools

# Application Form



**Academic Year: 2019-2020**

*To be submitted by: March 1, 2019*

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ACS Athens**

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**General Instructions:**

- 1. SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE IB OFFICE, ACS ATHENS.**
- 2. ATTACH ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS NEEDED, INCLUDING THE PERSONAL LEARNING PORTFOLIO.**

The application that I am submitting is my own work and the information included herein is true to the best of my knowledge.

Further, I am aware that there are extra fees that apply to the IB program:

- 1. ACS Athens fees for the IB Program***
- 2. International Baccalaureate Organization: Final May examination registration fee to be paid in November of the second year***

By completing this form I understand I am applying for the IB Diploma Program and I will adhere to the General Terms and Regulations as determined by the IBO.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Required documents to accompany IB application:**

**1. Personal Learning Portfolio (which must include 4 parts):**

- a) Four pieces of your work or description of work which have been completed in four different areas of study during your high school career – these four pieces should reflect YOU and provide us with an overall picture of your strengths, interests, learning style, talents and work habits.
- b) A 500-750 word reflection on what each of the 4 pieces of work you have chosen says about you as a person and a learner.
- c) A 300-500 **Personal Statement** explaining why you believe the IB Program is a good choice for you considering your skills, talents and goals for the future (see instructions below for guidance)

**Instructions for Personal Statement:**

- Discuss your academic goals and professional aspirations
  - Explain how the IB Program can help you in achieving these goals
  - Reflect on your extracurricular activities and how they have helped you academically and personally
  - Illustrate your ethical values through examples and how these are reflected towards achieving your goals
- d) Any artifacts, photographs or descriptions that show personal growth such as: community service, summary report of awards, achievements (academic, sport, personal), activities and clubs. ***Please do not include any originals of: certificates/ diplomas, medals, drawings/artwork or any other piece you would not want to lose. Photocopies and or photos are sufficient.***
- 2. Teacher Reference Letter:** Give the recommendation letter to your teacher to complete and return to the IB office. **Write the name** of the teacher on **page 5** of this application.



## **American Community Schools of Athens**

### **Criteria for Admission to the International Baccalaureate Program**

**To be eligible for admission to the IB Diploma Program, students must:**

- have a good academic standing in all courses
- meet the prerequisites for at least 3 High Level courses and 3 Standard Level courses as per Program of Studies i.e. minimum grade
- pass an interview with the admissions committee

**Interview:** All potential candidates will take part in an interview with the admissions committee and/or the IB Diploma Coordinator.

*Students should remember that no single qualification will be used to select IB Diploma students. The selection committee will consider grades, teacher recommendations, portfolios and writing samples.*

### **IB Diploma and ACS Athens High School Diploma requirements**

Please note that in order to receive the ACS Athens High School Diploma, students must meet certain course requirements. The following is a list of ACS Athens Graduation Requirements that may NOT be satisfied through the IB Diploma Program alone:

- a) one year of Music / Art
  - b) one year of Computers
  - c) one and a half years of Physical Education
  - d) one semester of Health
  - e) one year of American Studies
- *It is strongly advised that all IB students ensure they have completed all ACS diploma requirements prior to graduation and most importantly the above requirements prior to the first year of the IB Diploma Program.*



# Diploma Application

## **Part I** : References – Please print using block capital letters.

Name of Referee \_\_\_\_\_

## **Part II**: Grades – Transcript(s)

For student: Please attach a transcript for grades 9 (final grades) and 10 (first semester)

## **Part III**: Self Evaluation

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last name First name Middle initial

### Self-Evaluation:

Use the following scale to rate yourself in the areas below.

7= Outstanding ability  
6= Very strong ability  
5 = Above Average ability  
4 = Average ability

3= Low average ability  
2 = Well below average ability  
1 = Poor ability

\_\_\_\_\_ Reading Comprehension

\_\_\_\_\_ Oral Expression of Ideas

\_\_\_\_\_ Written Expression of Ideas

\_\_\_\_\_ Fluency in Second Language

\_\_\_\_\_ Motivation

\_\_\_\_\_ Creativity/Non-routine problem solving skills

\_\_\_\_\_ Study Habits

\_\_\_\_\_ Maturity

\_\_\_\_\_ Community Service

\_\_\_\_\_ Breadth of outside reading/knowledge

\_\_\_\_\_ Research Skills

\_\_\_\_\_ Critical Thinking Skills

\_\_\_\_\_ Abstract Reasoning

\_\_\_\_\_ Concrete Reasoning

\_\_\_\_\_ Problem Solving Skills

\_\_\_\_\_ Computational Accuracy

\_\_\_\_\_ Academic Achievement

\_\_\_\_\_ Academic Integrity



## IB Course Selection Sheet - PRELIMINARY PROGRAM CHOICES

**Select 6 courses, 3 HL and 3 SL based on your academic history and Program of Studies**

IB subjects per group	Course selected	Level		Prerequisites Met
<b>GROUP 1: (Studies in Language and Literature)</b>				
English Literature		HL	SL	
English Language and Literature		HL	SL	
Greek Language and Literature		HL	SL	
Chinese Language and Literature		HL	SL	
Other: Self-Taught Language A			SL	
<b>GROUP 2: (Language Acquisition)</b>				
Arabic B		HL	SL	
Spanish AB			SL	
Spanish B		HL	SL	
Chinese B		HL	SL	
<b>GROUP 3: (Individuals &amp; Societies)</b>				
History		HL	SL	
Economics		HL	SL	
Psychology		HL	SL	
Business Management		HL	SL	
Environmental Systems and Societies			SL	
<b>GROUP 4: (Experimental Sciences)</b>				
Chemistry		HL	SL	
Physics		HL	SL	
Biology		HL	SL	
Computer Science		HL	SL	
Environmental Systems & Societies			SL	
<b>GROUP 5: (Mathematics)</b>				
Math Application and Interpretation		HL	SL	
Math Analysis and Approaches		HL	SL	
<b>GROUP 6: (The Arts) Choose one subject from here or another from Groups 1, 2,3, or 4</b>				
Visual Arts		HL	SL	
Theatre Arts		HL	SL	



**Part IV: Parental Statement**

I hereby give permission to my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to apply for the International Baccalaureate Program at ACS Athens for the school year \_\_\_\_\_  
I understand that acceptance into this program is based on the criteria/credentials outlined on page one of this application form.

I have read the completed application and concur with the information included in it.

Parents are invited to offer their own observations in the space below.

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Parental Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Part V**

***For ACS Athens Students only: Give this form to one of your teachers***

***- Teachers: Please return this recommendation to the IB office in a confidential manner.***

***Student Name:*** \_\_\_\_\_

The scale used to rate students in accordance with IB grading is based on a 1-7 scheme

7= Outstanding ability  
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***Teacher Recommendation***

**Teacher's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

_____ Reading Comprehension	_____ Breadth of Outside Reading/Knowledge
_____ Oral Expression of Ideas	_____ Research Skills
_____ Written Expression of Ideas	_____ Critical Thinking Skills
_____ Problem Solving Skills	_____ Abstract Reasoning
_____ Creativity/Non-routine problem solving skills	_____ Concrete Reasoning
_____ Study Habits	_____ Motivation
_____ Maturity	_____ Academic Achievement
_____ Community Service	_____ Academic Integrity

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please check one:

\_\_\_\_\_ I recommend this student for the IB Diploma Program  
\_\_\_\_\_ I do NOT recommend this student for the IB Diploma Program

Teacher's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_