



NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS PROGRAM & GT ACADEMY APPLICATION 2019-2020 School Year



Colorado Springs School District 11
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International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (IBMYP)

North MS is an all-IB school, meaning that every student in our building is part of this excellent program. Certified in 1998, the **North IBMYP** fully incorporates all aspects of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme. All teaching and learning have a strong emphasis on international mindedness, interdisciplinary experiences, and higher order thinking skills. Every student takes classes in each of the eight IBMYP subject areas - Math, Science, Humanities (*history and geography*), English, Physical Education, the Arts (*band, choir, orchestra and visual art*), Technology and World Language Acquisition (*French, Mandarin Chinese or Spanish*) in addition to participation in the Service Learning Program.

Honors Program

North's **Honors Program** provides a more academically rigorous course of study for those students requiring additional challenges or who want to prepare for 9th and 10th grade IB Honors classes at Palmer High School. North's Honors Program is a great option for those students considering the IB Diploma Programme or Advanced Placement courses in 11th and 12th grades. The Honors Program application process considers standardized test scores, academic history, teacher recommendations and the student's desire to excel in a challenging environment.

Enrollment is by successful application and is open to all grade levels.*

Gifted and Talented

Classes: North provides extra challenges for GT students through daily classes from our full-time GT teacher.

GT Academy: The GT Academy provides students officially recognized as Gifted and Talented an option of being part of a class cohort that travels together. Classes are high honors level and challenge students to focus on their passion for learning and exploration. *Limited to 30 students.*

Academy enrollment is by a successful Honors application plus GT scores, teacher recommendations and interviews.

HONORS PROGRAM/GT ACADEMY APPLICATIONS:

1. Complete, sign and return the attached **North IBMYP 2019-2020 Honors Program Application**.
2. Your present school should complete the **Records and Testing Information** and send it directly to North. *If you have copies of any testing results, it is very helpful and will speed up the application process. Students will not be placed in Honors classes without test data.*
3. Ask a *minimum* of two teachers to fill out the **Teacher Recommendation Form**. Teachers should have had contact with the student within the last couple of years. You may submit more than two forms. Teachers may return these directly to the North IB Office.
4. Enclose a *copy* of the latest **report card** for the candidate.
5. Return all information to North Middle School by March 15, 2019.

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6. Letters of acceptance or non-acceptance will be mailed by April 17, 2019. Candidate responses are due in the IB Office by May 6, 2019. Appeals must be submitted in writing, and received by May 6, 2019.

For more information, contact the IB Office at 328-2427 or Mr. Adam Millman at 328-2429.

NOTE: Transportation for students not living in the North attendance area is the responsibility of the family.

****Applications for 8th graders to North's Honors programs are limited to Semester 1 except for new-to-the-district students. Second semester 8th graders should begin the application process for 9th grade Honors. See Mrs. Brewer in the IB Office.***