

ISI Middle Years Program, Grades 7-10



ISI is authorized to offer the IB MYP program. The Middle Years Program is intended to provide a smooth transition to a higher level program, e.g. the International Baccalaureate diploma or a US or UK curriculum-based program. IB World Schools share a common philosophy - a commitment to high-quality, challenging, international education - that we believe is important for our students (www.ibo.org).

Middle and High School Subject groups

- 1. Language A: Language and Literature
- 2. <u>Language B</u>: Language Acquisition: Icelandic
- 3. <u>Mathematics</u>
- 4. <u>Sciences</u>
- 5. Individuals & Society
- 6. Art & Music: Visual Art, Music
- 7. <u>Design</u>
- 8. Physical and Health Education
- 9. Language C: Danish or Spanish

Assessments

For communication, classwork, and reporting, Google Classroom and Managebac are our data management tools in the Middle Years Program. Homeroom teachers send report cards electronically. External assessments for English (Reading Comprehension and Language Usage)

and Mathematics are provided by NWEA's computer adaptive "MAP" system (Measures of Academic Progress).

Middle School Schedule at ISI (grades 7-8)

8:15 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. Subject area

8:50 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Subject area

9:50 a.m. - 10:10 a.m. Break

10:10 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Subject area

10:50 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Subject area

11:30 a.m. - 12:10 a.m. Lunch break

12:10 p.m. - 12:50 p.m Subject area

12:50 p.m. - 13:30 p.m. Subject area

13:30 p.m. - 14:10 p.m. Subject area

14:10 p.m. - 15:00 p.m. Subject Area (Tues & Thurs)

Extracurricular activities

There is a municipality-run youth club (Klakinn) for students in grades 8-10. The youth club is open two evenings a week and organizes events throughout the year. The Student Council organizes events for MYP students throughout the school year. ISI Middle School students take a year-end trip to an area of interest. 10 graders are invited to a full day "mystery trip" at the end of the school year.

Description of Student Body

There are approximately 50-60 students in the Middle School program and the teacher-student ratio is 1:7. The average class size is 15-20 students per class. Students come from Europe, North America, the Middle East, and Asia. Whereas many of these students live in Iceland on a permanent basis, others are short-term and their families are connected to the diplomatic, business or university communities.

Sports and Music

Music schools are offered in the municipalities in Iceland; there are also privately-run music schools. A variety of sports are offered at sports clubs in the various municipalities.

Core values at ISI: Creativity, Confidence, Respect

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