

IB Test Registration

WHY? WHEN? HOW?

Why Test?

- Holds you accountable to classwork ‘bell to bell’ and across the year
- Provides an international, objective measure of learning
- Value of practicing high stakes testing in a supportive environment
- Provides SHS staff feedback on the quality of our instruction
- Junior Year scores can be included on college applications
- Exams provide the possibility for college credit

University Recognition

- Most colleges award credit for HL exams with a score of 5+
- Some colleges recognize SL exam scores
- New WA/OR State law requires public universities to award credit for SL and HL exams with a score of 4+ or provide evidence for denial of credit (effective Fall of 2019)
- Credit awards range from 3-5 semester credits to 45 quarter credits depending on credentials, results, and university choice
- Refer to individual college and university websites for specific credit award policies
 - 'IB credit policy' in search bar on admissions pages
 - IB website: search 'University Policy Index'

Credit Models for IB Diploma

- A la carte credits for individual exams
- Additional general education credits for IB Diploma earners, regardless of composite Diploma score (on top of HL credits)
- Diploma score of “# or above” = sophomore standing plus scholarship money, and/or other enticements

Credit Accumulation

- Colleges and universities cap the amount of credit you can earn prior to enrollment.
- Taking both IB AND AP exams will NOT double your credit.
- Avoid stress, test overlap and academic burnout – sign up for one or the other NOT both 😊

Registration & Fees

- Per subject test fee: \$119.00
- Late fees apply to changes after Nov 15
- Retakes – fees apply
- Limited refunds between November 15-January 10

Financial Aid – Free/Reduced Lunch Qualified

- Free and reduced lunch qualified families: Fees are covered 100% by Washington State
- If eligible, you get “free and reduced everything,” not just lunch.
 - Reductions on other college entrance exams
 - Access to some scholarships

Financial Aid – non F/R Lunch Qualified families

- Limited PTSA and ISF scholarship aid available to cover up to 60% of cost.
- Income verifications required.
- Contact Mr. Wilder by October 26th to apply.

How to Pay

- Online by credit card through Skyline's Online Payment system (preferred method)

OR

- By check made out to "Skyline High School" & given to bookkeeper

Testing Procedures

- On-site at Skyline HS
- April 30 – May 21, 2021
- Timed exams: 45 minutes - 3 hours, 30 minutes
- Dates are published on the Skyline IB website - times TBD mid-spring
- Testing dates cannot be moved or renegotiated for conflicts with other events and/or AP exams.

Testing Accommodations

- Requests must be submitted during the registration window
- Requests must be accompanied by official medical documentation
- Contact the IB Coordinator once registered to request accommodations

Test Results

- Based on several assignments + culminating exam
- Moderated at many levels by trained IBO graders
- Scored 1-7
- Results available electronically in July; access credentials provided to students after exams

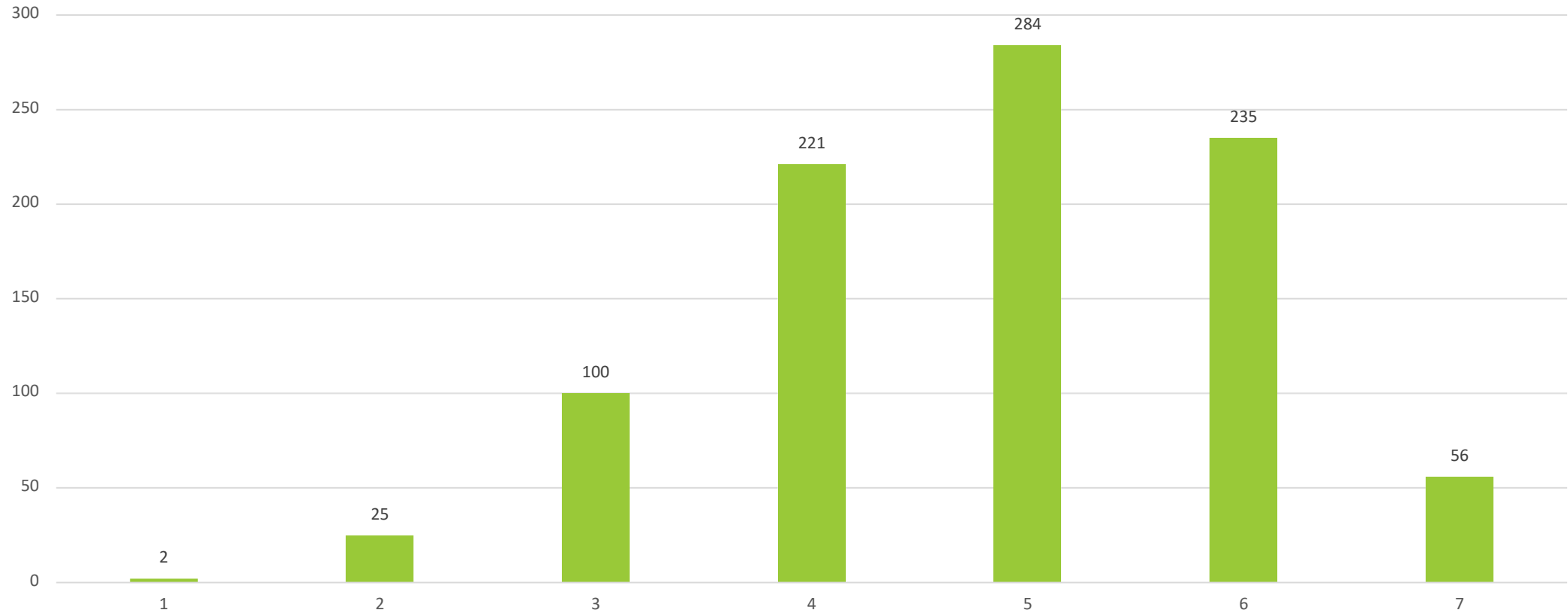
Preparation for Exams

- Consistent coursework is the best preparation
- Effort and Stamina
- Organization & Timeliness
- Teacher is your best resource
- Student & teacher work together vs. IBO standards
- Attend pre-exam study sessions
- Health and well-being is REALLY important
- Sleep, nutrition, exercise
- ‘work hard – play hard’

SHS May 2020 Results

- Over 90% of students achieved the IB Diploma and the IB Career Certificate
- Diploma students averaged 5.25 across all exams
- All students averaged 4.85 across all subjects
- Diploma student average score for the Diploma = 33/45
- SHS staff & students beat the IB exam score world average in 26/32 subjects offered at SHS
- 95%+ of World Language IB exam results qualified for the WA State Seal of Biliteracy – 3rd year in a row! 😊

2019 School-wide Score Trends



Benefits of IB Coursework (including testing)



IB students more likely to succeed in college

A 2010 study that looked at performance on IB exams and college GPA of over 1500 IB students enrolled in the University of California system found:

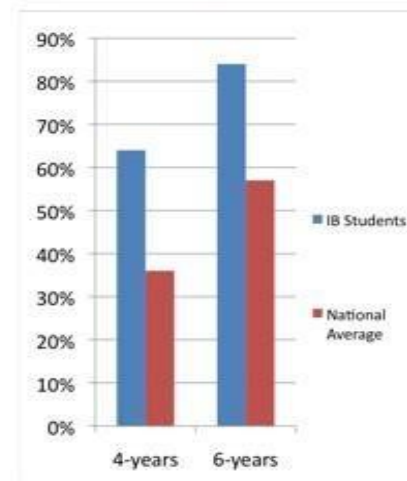
- **IB students earned higher GPAs and graduated at higher rates than a matched comparison group.** This held across all family income levels
- **performance in the Diploma Programme was the strongest predictor of college GPA.**

Benefits continued...

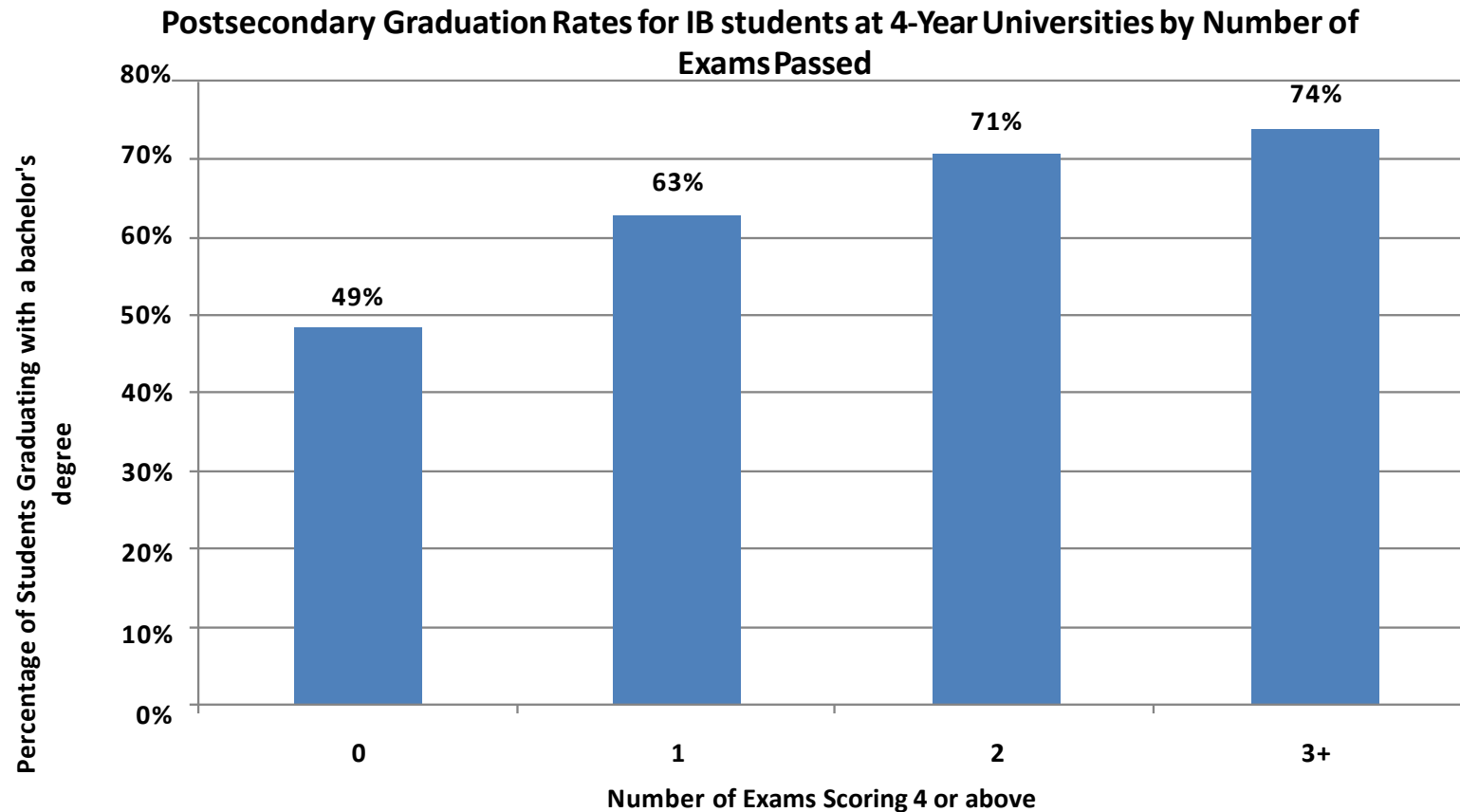


IB students graduate from college at higher rates

The 2011 study of IB students' experiences after high school found that **IB students graduated from college at higher rates**, with 81% of IB students graduating within 6 years of enrolling full-time at a 4-year institution, compared to the national average of 57%.



Preparedness & Engagement Benefit



Questions

If not now...

please email wilderc@Issaquah.wednet.edu