

# Huffman Elementary Candidate School

## International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program



**Huffman Elementary is an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program Candidate School. What does that mean? We are in training to be authorized as an official IB World school. Our process began in the spring of 2017 with a 2 year authorization timeline.**

### **What is International Baccalaureate (IB)?**

IB is an international education program that focuses on the whole child, develops effective approaches to teaching and learning, works to increase an understanding of languages and cultures, and explores globally significant ideas and issues.

IB scholars strive to become inquirers, knowledgeable, thinkers, communicators, principled, open-minded, caring, risk-takers, balanced, and reflective. These Learner Profile attributes are at the very core of daily learning, so students can become knowledgeable, responsible members of their own community and beyond.

### **What is an IB PYP School?**

The PYP is designed for students aged 3-12. It focuses on inquiry as a vehicle for learning. The PYP is guided by 6 transdisciplinary themes of global significance all while being grounded in the state standards.

### **The six transdisciplinary themes are:**

- ❖ Who We Are
- ❖ Where We Are in Place and Time
  - ❖ How We Express Ourselves
  - ❖ How the World Works
- ❖ How We Organize Ourselves
  - ❖ Sharing the Planet

These six themes provide teachers with an opportunity to design curriculum that incorporates issues on a local and global level and creates experiences that go beyond the scope of learning within subject areas.

To learn more about IB PYP, visit:  
[http://ibo.org/programmes/  
primary-years-programme/](http://ibo.org/programmes/primary-years-programme/)

Or contact:  
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**Would you like to join a tour and learn more about PYP?**  
Tours are every first Tuesday of the month.  
Contact Amy Moore if you would like to join.

September 4- 4pm  
October 9-4pm  
November 6-8am  
December 4-8am  
January 8-4pm  
February 5-4pm  
March 5-8am  
April 9-8am  
May 7-4pm