

ISHR graduation requirements for Grade 8

All students at ISHR participate in the <u>High School Diploma</u> from Grade 9 onwards. The High School Diploma runs parallel with the IB Middle Years Programme and the Diploma Programme throughout Grades 9-12.

At the end of Grade 8, students must demonstrate that they are ready to transition into the High School Diploma and are on track to meet <u>Grade 10 graduation requirements</u>.

To demonstrate readiness, Grade 8 students must, on their Semester 2 report:

- Achieve an overall grade in all subjects (i.e. no 'N/A's or incomplete reports)
- Achieve an overall grade of at least 3 in all subjects
- Achieve an overall grade of 4 or more in at least three of the following subjects:
 - Language and Literature
 - Language Acquisition
 - Individuals and Societies
 - Mathematics
 - Sciences

In addition, to automatically transition into Grade 9, Grade 8 students must:

- Fulfil Service as Action requirements
- Have a school attendance rate of 85% or more for the year

Where students do not meet these requirements at the end of Grade 8, their academic readiness will be reviewed. During this process, one or more of the following options may be suggested:

- 1. Transitioning into Grade 9 on academic probation
- 2. Transitioning into Grade 9 on a reduced timetable
- 3. Educational testing with the school psychologist
- 4. Repeating Grade 8
- 5. Exploring the High School Diploma (or alternative) instead of the Diploma Programme as the likely pathway after Grade 10

All students will be viewed holistically and where there is evidence to suggest academic performance is being affected by external factors, these will be taken into consideration before a final decision is made about graduation from Grade 8.