



THE FORUM



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WILDCATS' BEST WORK SPANS THE GLOBE!

In early March, Extended Essays from Westerville South's IB students were shipped all over the world. The Extended Essay is an opportunity for IB Diploma Candidates to immerse themselves in a research project regarding a topic of particular interest to them. Each student works with a faculty advisor and publishes a research paper that reflects their investigation.



This year's topics included, among many others, an in depth analysis of the Harry Potter series and how it parallels religious belief systems, experiments in hydroponics, analysis of water quality at a local park, a historical investigation of how the railroad industry's development influenced the outcome of The US Civil War, and the effect of technological innovations on the modern fashion industry.

In the extended essay, students are permitted (and encouraged) to "dive" into a unique topic of their choice and passion. This is an outstanding opportunity for students to experience authentic research that most scholars must wait to conduct until college or even graduate school.

Finally, it should be noted that one of our former IB students, currently enrolled at Wittenberg University, is in the process of having her IB Extended Essay published in cooperation with her university advisor!

2016 IB Extended Essays have been sent for assessment across the globe to Australia, Belgium, China, India, Saudi Arabia, and Sweden (among others).

IB HISTORY OF AMERICAS STUDENTS INTERACT WITH AUTHENTIC CIVIL WAR ARTIFACTS

On Friday, January 29, junior students in Mr. Schell's IB History of the Americas class had the opportunity to see, hold, and imagine the stories that might have accompanied authentic Civil War artifacts as teacher Rich Schell and School Resource Office Corey Baker took them through an engaging tour of the Civil War time period.



Officer Baker with Srihari Gattupalli

Both Officer Baker and Mr. Schell are avid Civil War enthusiasts, with quite a collection of pieces from the time period. Students enjoyed the chance to hold the objects while hearing the stories. This yearly tradition is one that students fondly remember when they reflect upon their years at South, and the enthusiasm shown by this year's students was no exception.



IB History of the Americas students with a Civil War Artillery Sword

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **IB Visual Art “Three by Me” Exhibition** (see article to the right)
**Various locations in Uptown Westerville. Exhibits will be displayed from April 5th – 19th.



Pictured above is a full exhibition of Jalissa Frye's IB Visual Art portfolio. Three of her pieces, along with those of her senior classmates, will be displayed in the “Three by Me” Exhibit

- **Junior Theory of Knowledge Presentations**
**WSHS Media Center (Tuesday, April 26 from 7:30 AM - 10:00 AM)
- **2016 Ohio IB College Fair at Dublin Coffman High School** (See article to the right)
**All students enrolled in two or more IB courses for 2016-2017 will have the opportunity to attend.

**Dinner and transportation will be provided courtesy of Westerville's IB Boosters.

**Students must sign up and submit a field trip form for this event.
- **May, 2016 IB Exams**
**May 2nd – May 19th.

**See final page of this newsletter for detailed schedule.

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IB VISUAL ARTS STUDENT WILL DISPLAY THEIR CREATIONS

April is Arts Month in Westerville, and Westerville South's senior International Baccalaureate Visual Art Students will be exhibiting three pieces from their final portfolios in Uptown Westerville from April 5th - April 19th. The exhibition is entitled “THREE BY ME,” and will be displayed at the *David Myers Art Studio & Gallery, Java Central, 8 State Bistro* and various other uptown restaurants.

These students have been developing their collections over a two year period. The IB Visual Art program requires research, experimentation and the development of a cohesive collection of 8 – 11 artworks.

Please join us Friday evening, April 8th to walk through Uptown and celebrate these fine artists. There is an **Artist Reception April 8th from 6:00-8:00 PM at David Myers Art Studio & Gallery**. The gallery is otherwise open Monday-Friday, Noon to 5:00 PM.



Artwork by senior Kambra Crist

OHIO IB COLLEGE FAIR WILL WELCOME WILDCAT STUDENTS

All students from the classes of 2017 and 2018 who are enrolled in two or more IB courses for next year will have the opportunity to get a head start on their college search process this Spring! On **Thursday, April 21**, The Ohio Association of IB World Schools is hosting a college fair geared specifically for students enrolled in IB Schools across Ohio. This year's **Ohio IB College Fair** will be held at Dublin Coffman High School. Participating students will be treated to a dinner at 4:30 PM before boarding a bus to attend this event, which will allow them to meet with college admissions representatives from 100 colleges and universities from around the country! **Many thanks to Westerville's IB Boosters for funding this event!**



WESTERVILLE SOUTH'S IB STUDENTS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Throughout the 2015-2016 academic year, Westerville South's IB students have spent hundreds of hours in Westerville's elementary and middle schools, providing tutoring and enrichment opportunities for their younger peers in mathematics. This program, initiated by *Westerville Partners in Education*, is an excellent example of how our students' **Creativity-Activity-Service (CAS)** requirement benefits everyone. The elementary and middle school students receive invaluable assistance with their studies while working with positive high school role models. Our IB students beam with pride over the success of the students with whom they work. Our students are very proud of this opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of the youth in our schools!

IB EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

The May exam schedule for all IB courses is included on the following page.



Westerville South High School IB Program Examination Schedule ~ May 2016

(*All IB Exams will be held in the Fitness Center, adjacent to the athletic practice fields)



WEEK ONE		
Date	Morning Exams (Start Time 8:00/Report Time 7:45)	Afternoon Exams (*Start Time 12:00 PM/Report Time 11:45 AM) *Unless otherwise noted
Monday, May 2	IB English A Literature HL Paper 1 (2 hrs.)	
Tuesday, May 3	IB English A Literature HL Paper 2 (2 hrs.)	
Wednesday, May 4	IB Biology HL Paper 1 (1 hr.) IB Biology SL Paper 1 (45 min) IB Biology HL Paper 2 (2 hrs. 15 min) IB Biology SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 15 min)	
Thursday, May 5	IB Biology HL Paper 3 (1 hr. 15 min) IB Biology SL Paper 3 (1 hour)	
Friday, May 6	IB Physics HL Paper 1 (1 hr.) IB Physics SL Paper 1 (45 min) IB Physics HL Paper 2 (2 hrs. 15 min) IB Physics SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 15 min)	IB History HL Paper 1 (1 hour) *Start time 1:00 PM (Report Time 12:45 PM)
WEEK TWO		
Date	Morning Exams (Start Time 8:00/Report Time 7:45)	Afternoon Exams (*Start Time 12:00 PM/Report Time 11:45 AM) *Unless otherwise noted
Monday, May 9	IB Physics HL Paper 3 (1 hr. 15 min) IB Physics SL Paper 3 (1 hour)	IB History HL Paper 2 (1 hour)
Tuesday, May 10	IB Spanish B HL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Spanish B SL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Spanish ab initio Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min)	IB Mathematical Studies SL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Mathematics SL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Mathematics HL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min)
Wednesday, May 11	IB Math Studies SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Mathematics SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Mathematics HL Paper 2 (2 hours)	IB Spanish B HL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Spanish B SL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min) IB Spanish ab initio Paper 1 (1 hour)
Thursday, May 12	IB Chemistry SL Paper 1 (45 min) IB Chemistry SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 15 min)	IB History HL Paper 3 (2 hrs. 30 min)
Friday, May 13	IB Chemistry SL Paper 3 (1 hr. 15 min)	IB Psychology SL Paper 1 (2 hours)
WEEK THREE		
Date	Morning Exams (Start Time 8:00/Report Time 7:45)	Afternoon Exams (*Start Time 12:00 PM/Report Time 11:45 AM) *Unless otherwise noted
Monday, May 16		IB Psychology SL Paper 2 (1 hour)
Tuesday, May 17		IB French B SL Paper 1 (1 hr. 30 min)
Wednesday, May 18	IB Mathematics HL Paper 3 (1 hour)	IB French B SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 30 min)
Thursday, May 19	IB Music SL Paper 1 (2 hours)	IB Business Management HL Paper 1 (2 hrs. 15 min) IB Business Management SL Paper 1 (1 hr. 15 min)
Friday, May 20	IB Bus. Management HL Paper 2 (2 hrs. 15 min) IB Bus. Management SL Paper 2 (1 hr. 15 min)	