



PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Application for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program at Richwoods High School
2025-26 School Year – For Eligible 8th, 9th and 10th Grade Students**

Student Name: _____
Last First Middle

Home Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Birth Date: _____ Gender (circle one): Male Female

Current School: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone #: _____ Secondary Phone #: _____

Parent/Guardian email: _____

Students' applications must be completed in full, and all other requested materials must be submitted in order to be considered for admittance into the IB Diploma Program at Richwoods High School.

All applications are due no later than 4:00 pm Friday, November 1, 2024.

Applications, along with all other applicable materials must be submitted to:

Richwoods High School

6301 N. University St.

Peoria, IL 61614

Attn : IB Coordinator Thomas Hayes

Student Name: _____
Last First Middle

Student Recognitions/Achievements (please list below):

Extracurricular Activities/Interests (please list below):

Ambitions/Possible Plans for the future (please list below):

Qualifications

Students must have had at least a 3.0 (B) cumulative grade point average over the last full school year, and have demonstrated a high level of aptitude on standardized reading and math assessments. If enrolled in a Peoria Public School, this information can be accessed by the counselors at Richwoods and does not need to be attached to the application. If not currently enrolled in a Peoria Public School, please provide evidence via report card or transcript in a sealed and marked envelope from the school(s) attended.

All applicants must provide proof of standardized test scores (e.g. NWEA, ITBS) from the last two school years. If enrolled in a Peoria Public School, these can be accessed by the counselors at Richwoods and do not need to be attached to the application. If enrolled in a school outside of Peoria Public Schools, please attach all available standardized test scores from the last two school years in a sealed envelope from the school.

All applicants must submit two teacher recommendation forms (attached). At least one of the forms must be completed by a core subject teacher (English/Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies).

Upon receiving completed applications, students will be scheduled for an interview with a representative of the International Baccalaureate Program at Richwoods. The interviewers will include teachers, administrators and counselors. In addition to the interview, students will submit a writing sample based upon a prompt given to them at the interview. This will be done on one of the two interview dates tentatively scheduled for November 19-20, 2024 from 4-8pm at Richwoods High School.

Richwoods International Baccalaureate Teacher Recommendation Form #1

(Applicants must submit two teacher recommendation forms in individually sealed and marked envelopes)

Student Name: _____
Last First

Teacher Name: _____

Subject Taught: _____

School: _____

Teacher email: _____

Please use the numeric scale below to rate the student in the following categories:

4 – exceptional

3 – high

2 – moderate

1 – low

0 – not present

_____ displays a strong intrinsic desire to learn

_____ is motivated in class

_____ works well in group settings

_____ contributes positively to class discussions

_____ articulates ideas effectively

_____ works well independently and makes wise use of time

_____ displays the ability to think creatively

_____ shows courtesy in interactions with peers and adults

_____ displays perseverance when presented with challenges

_____ willing to undertake new activities

Please check one:

_____ Highly Recommended

_____ Recommended

_____ Not Recommended

Please place this completed form in a sealed envelope and return to the student or email to thomas.hayes@psd150.org. Thank you for your completion of this form.

Richwoods International Baccalaureate Teacher Recommendation Form #2

(Applicants must submit two teacher recommendation forms in individually sealed and marked envelopes)

Student Name: _____
Last First

Teacher Name: _____

Subject Taught: _____

School: _____

Teacher email: _____

Please use the numeric scale below to rate the student in the following categories:

- 4 – exceptional
- 3 – high
- 2 – moderate
- 1 – low
- 0 – not present

____ displays a strong intrinsic desire to learn

____ is motivated in class

____ works well in group settings

____ contributes positively to class discussions

____ articulates ideas effectively

____ works well independently and makes wise use of time

____ displays the ability to think creatively

____ shows courtesy in interactions with peers and adults

____ displays perseverance when presented with challenges

____ willing to undertake new activities

Please check one:

____ Highly Recommended ____ Recommended ____ Not Recommended

Please place this completed form in a sealed envelope and return to the student or email to thomas.hayes@psd150.org. Thank you for your completion of this form.

IB Student Application Checklist/Conclusion

- _____ Completed student application
- _____ Two completed teacher recommendation forms (in individually sealed and marked envelopes), at least one of which has been completed by a core subject teacher.
- _____ Sealed proof of grades (if enrolled outside of Peoria Public Schools)
- _____ Sealed proof of standardized test scores (If enrolled outside of Peoria Public Schools)

I acknowledge the information submitted on this application to be true and genuine. I also understand that if the admitted student resides outside of the Richwoods High School attendance boundaries and fails to maintain a 3.0 minimum unweighted grade point average over the course of each school year, has discipline or attendance issues, or voluntarily leaves the IB Program, then they shall resume enrollment at their home school.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

If you have any further questions, please contact Richwoods IB Coordinator Thomas Hayes at thomas.hayes@psd150.org.