Participating in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme at Central

There is no admission policy for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) since admission implies either acceptance or rejection. Once a student is placed at Omaha Central High School it is up to the student and parents in consultation with the IBDP Coordinator (DPC) to determine whether the IBDP is the path the student wants to pursue.

Students initially self-identify an interest in the IBDP as 8th graders. They complete an Intent to Participate form. This is not an application which is approved or denied. It is a way for the IBDP Coordinator to identify interested students and then set up an individual meeting with the student and family. Students are encouraged to take Honors classes in preparation for the rigor of the IBDP, but there are students in the IBDP who have not done so. Current students at Central High may stop by room 236 and talk to the Diploma Programme Coordinator, email the DPC or have a parent call if they become interested in the IBDP. Students are welcome to engage in the IBDP at any point prior to the beginning of junior year. When working with students, the coordinator researches grades, test scores, transcripts of classes, attendance records etc. but these are sources of conversation, not determining factors. Students and families bear responsibility for making the final decision whether to participate in IBDP after receiving counsel regarding the multiple options available to students at Central High School.