

# Arroyo

## An International Baccalaureate World School\*

Arroyo is an authorized IB Primary Years Programme school and a candidate school\* for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme and pursuing authorization as an IB World School.



*Through reflection and inquiry, we strive to be an action-driven community of knowledgeable and caring world-changers.*

### What is IB?

A framework that encourages students to **question** and **explore** to gain new understanding. Our students' learning does not end with the content but with **meaningful action** in the school, community, and world.

### PYP and MYP

The **Primary Years Programme** (PYP) is for our students in TK-5th. The **Middle Years Programme** (MYP) is offered to our 6th-8th grade students.

### Action Learning

IB students apply their learning to help **make the world a better place**. Our 5th grade students take part in the **Exhibition**. All MYP students engage in **Service Learning** and 8th graders complete the **Community Project**.

### PYP

Our TK-5th grade students learn through **transdisciplinary** Units of Inquiry that address real world problems and incorporate a wide range of subjects and content. The units are organized in six themes:

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

## The Learner Profile

The Learner Profile is a key component of the IB. The Learner Profile traits represent what we want all of our students to embody.



### MYP

Our 6th-8th grade students learn through concept driven, **interdisciplinary**, inquiry based education. They are encouraged to connect their learning from the classroom to the real world in courses like:

- Art & Music
- Language and Literature
- Science
- Individuals and Societies
- Math
- Design
- Spanish
- Physical and Health Education

## Policies

IB World Schools share a common philosophy-a commitment to improve the teaching and learning of a diverse and inclusive community of students by delivering challenging, high-quality programmes of international education that share a powerful vision. Read the full policies on our website: [omsd.net/arroyo](https://omsd.net/arroyo) or request a copy at the office.

### Language

Language development is essential in order to communicate and make sense of the world. The language of instruction at Arroyo is English. All teachers are language teachers. In order to promote multilingualism, our students receive additional instruction in Spanish.

### Assessment

At Arroyo, meaningful assessment is an ongoing process of gathering, analyzing, reflecting and acting on evidence of student learning to inform teaching. MYP students are assessed on subject specific objectives using a 0-8 scale

### Inclusion

Every student can learn and be successful. By addressing the unique needs of our students, we strive to develop and empower globally-minded citizens who are confident, open-minded, risk-takers who will take positive action.

### Academic Integrity

The Arroyo community expects that all students will possess and demonstrate honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility in their learning. Students will produce original work and cite the work of others.