Institute for the Humanities

The goal of The Institute for the Humanities is to provide students with immersive learning within the humanities. Students are provided the opportunity to participate in problem-based learning experiences, with cross-curricular projects and assignments within the cohort. Field trips and guest speakers give students exposure to college and career opportunities.

Course Sequence:

Students in the IH program have a required progression in the humanities. Students in Grade 9 enroll within a cohort of IH students in Honors Modern World History IH, Honors English 9 IH, and a Visual/Performing Arts or Creative Writing semester elective. In Grade 10, students progress into Honors US History 1 IH, Honors English 10 IH, and Honors Fine Arts/Performing Arts or Cultural Anthropology. In successive years, please refer to the chart for possible combinations. Ultimately, it is our goal for all IH students to take at least one AP course in Social Studies and/or Language Arts.

Application Process:

Students apply for the program during their 8th grade year. Applications are due by February 3, 2023. Students are reviewed and scored based on the following criteria: grades in core subject areas, standardized test results, teacher recommendations and a student writing sample. Students are required to follow the course sequence and requirements as they are listed below and are only permitted to exit the program at the end of the school year.

