



IB PYP@ALB

What does IB PYP @ ALB mean?

A.L. Burruss Elementary School is now an authorized IB World School. In Marietta City Schools, the Marietta Sixth Grade Academy, Marietta Middle School and Marietta High School offer Middle Years, Diploma and Career IB programmes. IB PYP stands for International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme. The programme is specifically designed for students aged 3 to 12. At Burruss, the learning community focuses on the development of the whole child as an inquirer both in the classroom and the world. We teach Georgia Standards with an emphasis on inquiry, knowledge, skills and attitudes. The IB PYP at A.L. Burruss is a framework used to teach our students to think globally and take action in the world.

Frequently asked questions about the Primary Years Programme (FAQs)

Q: Does implementing an IB programme mean my child's school will not teach local standards?

A: The IB is committed to making sure that the students in IB programmes meet and exceed local or national standards. The students at Burruss will learn the same content as children across the state of Georgia. The difference is how our students are taught to acquire the content. Our students are encouraged to ask questions and find answers, discover connections between what they know and what they are learning, conduct experiments, solve problems, and share their learning in a variety of ways.

Q: How can I learn more about the IB and PYP?

- ◆ Attend school meetings and events
- ◆ Speak with your school's PYP coordinator
- ◆ Speak with your child's classroom teacher
- ◆ Visit the IB website at www.ibo.org

Q: How is the quality of the program assured?

A: Becoming an IB World School takes dedication and commitment on the part of the school, parents, and learning community to meet rigorous quality assurance requirements. Once authorization is confirmed, a regular cycle of support and evaluation ensures the highest quality assurance.

The PYP Curriculum Framework



Knowledge



Concept



Skill



Attitude



Action

The PYP is offered by many types of schools around the world, including international schools. As a flexible curriculum framework, the PYP is able to accommodate the demands of most national or local curriculums. With local and global issues incorporated into the PYP curriculum, students are asked to look at six related themes and to consider the links between them.

International Baccalaureate Organization, Mission Statement:

"The International Baccalaureate® aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right. – www.ibo.org

ALB Mission Statement

To develop globally-minded, life-long learners who take action to make our world better.

Essential Elements of the PYP

What do we want to learn?

Knowledge: what do we want students to know about?

Concepts: what do we want student to understand?

Skills: what do we want students to be able to do?

Attitudes: what do we want students to feel, value and demonstrate?

Action: how do we want students to act?

How to Support IB PYP at Home

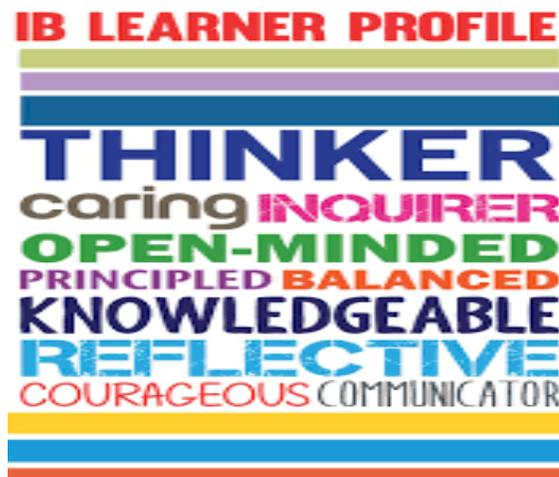
Encourage a Two-Way conversation: Create an opportunity for your child and your family to discuss learning. A good conversation happens when people talk and listen. Ask general questions about your student's skills, interests, needs and dreams.

Home-school communication: Find out what your child is learning by asking their teacher, by viewing examples of student work, or by visiting their classroom. When parents and teachers work together, each person can share important information about the child's talents and needs.

Dinner Conversations: "A well-worded question is the quickest way to connect after a long day. We call them starters because we imagine they will spark a deeper conversation about the things that matter to you. Each category contains a number of conversation starters that have worked well for us." -<https://thefamilydinnerproject.org/conversation/conversation-starters/>

Family Field Trips: Non school learning opportunities can help you shape and develop your child's thinking. Providing access to science outdoors, community events, nature walks or even backyard explorations will provide time for your child to learn by discovering.

At Burruss, we aim to develop internationally minded people who, recognizing their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world. The IB Learner Profile represents 10 attributes valued by IB World Schools. We believe these attributes, and others like them, can help individuals and groups become responsible members of local, national and global communities. Each month an IB Learner Profile Attribute is explored and celebrated through a Book the Month, an Assembly and Student of the Month recognition.



"Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere." - Chinese Proverb

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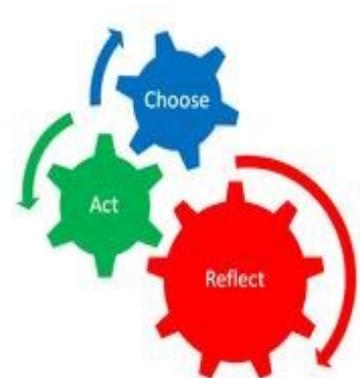
Exhibition

In the final year of the IB PYP, fifth grade students collaboratively complete an inquiry into a real life issue or problem. The experience of completing Exhibition gives the students the opportunity to exhibit the attributes of the IB learning profile while understanding their role in the global community.

Students become owners of their own learning process when they can choose the activities they want to do in order to integrate research, discussion, reflections, and plan development.

The topics are student-selected and involve community members, parents, teachers, and students in collaborative inquiry.

The IBPYP Exhibition is a wonderful experience that is aligned to the IB PYP Action Cycle, Community Project and Personal Project experiences in the next phases of the IB Programmes.



First Annual Exhibition at A.L. Burruss Elementary School :Burruss Beavers are Real Achievers: