



## G9 students: it's about time to select

On the coming Parents' Day (April 8), G9 students will receive a curriculum and subject selection form to indicate their priority on the two senior curricula to be offered by GTC, the HKDSE and the IBDP, as well as the subject combinations in both curricula. The HKDSE is the major senior curriculum of GTC while the IBDP is an alternative for students who are more interested in IB education, giving them a valuable opportunity to be exposed to international education.

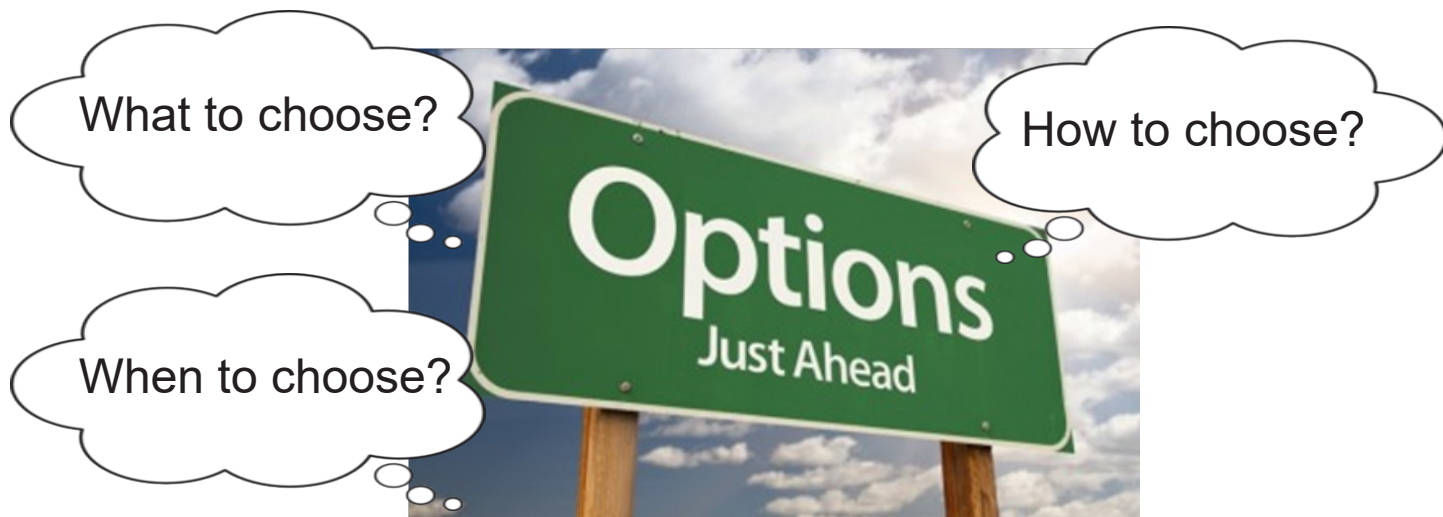


You may find more IBDP information through the following:

- (1) Join the IB Students Focus Group held by the IB Group (please register with Dr. Vincent Tam in Room 300). We have regular lunch gatherings to give out more updated information on IB education.
- (2) Check out the notice board outside Room 300 on the 3/F, where you can find some newspaper cuttings on the pros and cons of the HKDSE and the IBDP.
- (3) Read our GTC IB Newsletters through which you can get more information on how GTC is preparing for the IBDP and the special features in IB education.
- (4) Check out the IBO website at [www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org)

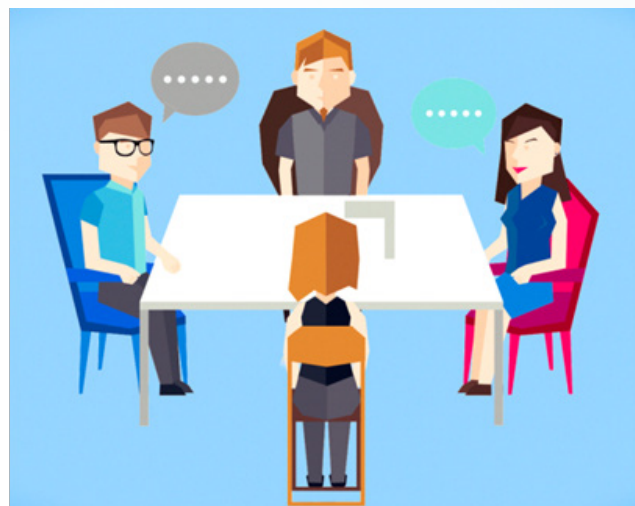


The IB information boards on the 3/F.



In mid-April, all G9 parents will receive a curriculum and subject selection form for G9 students promoting to G10 next year. For those who would like to prefer the IBDP to the HKDSE, they must indicate their curriculum preference on the first part of the form. Then they need to fill out the second part to select subject combinations for the HKDSE. Finally, fill out the third part to select subject combinations for the IBDP. In case the application for the IBDP is not accepted, the student will automatically be put back to the HKDSE pool and allocated classes based on his/her choice on the HKDSE subject preferences.

After submitting the curriculum and subject selection form to class teachers, the IB Group will arrange an interview with parents and students who opt for the IBDP as their first priority. The goal of the interview is to ensure that applicants and their parents have a clear understanding and realistic expectation about IB education and the applicants have a reasonably good command of English, increasing their chances to be accepted to study the IBDP.



## What are the available IBDP subjects?

Subject group 1:	Chinese A: Language and Literature (SL) English A: Language and Literature (SL)
Subject group 2:	English B (HL)
Subject group 3:	Economics (HL/SL) Geography (HL/SL)
Subject group 4:	Physics (HL/SL) Chemistry (HL/SL) Biology (HL/SL)
Subject group 5:	Mathematics (HL/SL)
Subject group 6:	Visual Arts (HL/SL) Music (HL/SL)

### Note:

- (1) HL: Higher level (240 hrs in two years)
- (2) SL: Standard level (150 hrs in two years)
- (3) Students should choose 1 subject from subject groups 1 to 5.
- (4) Students may choose 1 subject from subject group 6 or choose 1 more subject from either subject groups 3 or 4.
- (5) Besides six subject groups, students must also take three Core subjects: CAS, EE, TOK.



# IA (Internal Assessment) WANTED

The IBDP has full of innovative ways of learning. Internal Assessment (IA) plays an essential part in showing the progress of learning of students. IA spreads out throughout the whole two years of IBDP learning. Let's take a glimpse of it:





# "Group 4 project"

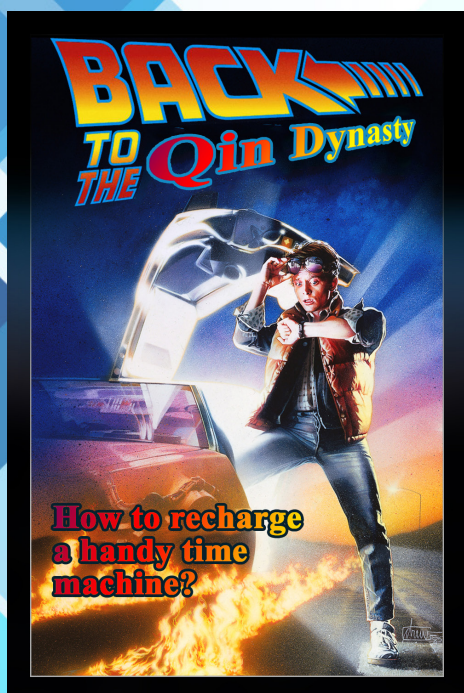
All students

Interesting context

Use knowledge from Physics, Chemistry and Biology

Enjoy 10 hours of research

The group 4 project is an interdisciplinary activity in which all IBDP science students participate. The project is a collaborative experience where the emphasis is on the processes involved. Students apply their knowledge of Physics, Chemistry and Biology to the analysis on a common topic or problem, enriching their scientific minds. The following are the examples of group 4 project:



## Special note:

On Parents Day (8 August, Saturday), there will be an IB booth (Rm 707) stationed by Dr. Vincent Tam and Mr. Anselm Kwok. Parents are welcome to stop by any time and ask questions regarding IB Diploma Programme and how GTC is going to offer this curriculum to our students.

Three Group Q and A sessions are arranged at the following periods:

10:00 – 10:45

12:00 – 12:45

14:30 – 15:15

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