



SHIBPA NEWSLETTER



December 2024

Fundraising Needs and Updates!

Everyone:

IB Council meets 3:40-4:15pm rm #11-313 every Wednesday. This optional club plans events/hangouts/fundraisers and connects/supports our IB students. For students who want to be involved please join us (no need to sign up just show up!).

If you have questions please email the current IB Council President: André Becerra López

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Students can join the IB Council group, use the Link or the QR Code

https://groupme.com/join_group/102985548/wbonowwf

IB Council also has an Instagram for events

and reminders [@shhsibcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/shhsibcouncil)

IB Council Prime Minister:

Mr. Christopher Ritchie

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Upcoming Important Dates

Freshmen

- **5th** – Mentor Meeting during BOTH lunches in the Upper Cafeteria
- **6th** – Junior Induction Ceremony 8:30am-10:00am in Auditorium

Sophomores

- **4th** – Big Meeting #5 for Personal Project from 7:30am - 8:15am in Lecture Center
- **6th** – Junior Induction Ceremony 8:30am-10:00am in Auditorium
- **13th** – Personal Project Supervisor Meeting #2 completed, Process Journal Check #2 (about 8-9 entries)
- **13th** – Personal Project all Sem. 1 assignments due in ManageBac

Juniors

- **6th** – Examining Your Question Worksheet
- **6th** – Junior Induction Ceremony 8:30am-10:00am in Auditorium
- **13th** – Academic Source #1 & #2 - annotated and notes taken in NoodleTools
- **13th** – Supervisor Meeting #1 and 1st Formal Reflection due in ManageBac
- **19th** – Researcher's Reflection Space check
- **20th** – CAS hours & reflections check

Seniors

- **6th** – Junior Induction Ceremony 8:30am-10:00am in Auditorium
- **13th** – TOK Final Title Paper due for predicted grade

As we head into the 2024-25 school year we have some needs for October – December:

We need donations for Personal Project Turn-in Incentive for approximately 25 kids.

Each year we provide incentives for the sophomores working hard to complete their Personal Projects on time. For every due date they hit closing in on the completion date, their name is entered into a prize drawing. The prize drawing is held on the PP completion date. It is well received by the kids, and it gives those that need it an extra push and encouragement.

The IB coordinators ask SHIBPA to donate prizes such as small gift cards for coffee, movie passes, or small fun items like earbuds, etc.

Donated items need to be turned in before Dec. 11th to the IB office.

If it is easier to provide a donation, please feel free to do so and I will purchase items for the drawing.

Thank you for your support!



**SHIBPA
President!**



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SHHS IB info: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4518>

SHHS IB Program

SHHS' IB program focuses on developing intellectual, personal, emotional, and social skills for students who live, learn, and work in a rapidly changing world.

WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US



SHHS' CLASS OF 2026

IB DP Junior Induction Ceremony

Friday Dec. 6th

8:30 AM IN THE SHHS AUDITORIUM

ALL IB STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND

COME CELEBRATE YOUR FELLOW IB BUFFS!



IB Middle Years Program Coordinator

Mrs. Kathleen Fitzgerald:

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IB Diploma Program Coordinator

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IB MYP AND DP



Middle Years Programme

The Middle Years Program consists of eight subject groups integrated through six global contexts, which provide lenses for learning within and across subjects. MYP English, World Language of choice, MYP Geography and Government, MYP American History, Science, Mathematics, Art, Design, PE and Health and Personal Project.



Diploma Programme

The Diploma Program consists of six subject groups, with studies in English/World Literature, World Language of choice, History of Europe or the Americas in 11th grade and History of the Contemporary World in 12th, Experimental Science of choice, Mathematics, IB acceptable 6th subject and Extended Essay, TOK and CAS hours.

Enjoy Winter Break!



Winter Break
Dec. 23 - Jan. 3

Happy

HOLIDAYS

SHHS IB info: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4518>

Did you know?



Personal Project Support Sessions

Personal Project Support is here for you!

Room 11-307

3:30pm - 5:00pm

Dec. 3rd, 5th, 9th, & 11th

Session 5 - All

Voluntary: attend one time per session, questions ask Mr.

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Final Exams Dec. 17th, 18th & 19th

Final Exam Make-Up Dec. 20th

Smoky Hill Exam Schedule Semester 1



Tuesday, December 17, 2024 - Final Exam Day		
1R	8:20 - 9:50	90 minutes
2R	10:00 - 11:30	90 minutes
3R	11:40 - 1:10	90 minutes
Buses will depart at 1:20 PM.		
Wednesday, December 18, 2024 - Final Exam Day		
4R	8:20 - 9:50	90 minutes
1G	10:00 - 11:30	90 minutes
Buses will depart at 11:40 AM.		
Thursday, December 19, 2024 - Final Exam Day		
2G	8:20 - 9:50	90 minutes
3G	10:00-11:30	90 minutes
4G	11:40-1:10	90 minutes
Buses will depart at 1:20 PM.		
Friday, December 20, 2024		
Make-up exams by appointment with teacher		

BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE, PREPARATION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS.

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL

#1 BEFORE CLASS

- Read your assigned readings **BEFORE** you get to class!

REMEMBER: Write down all questions you have!

- Explain concepts and ideas in your **OWN** words.
- HIGHLIGHT IMPORTANT** information, definitions, and ideas! (don't forget to **COLOR CODE!**)

#3 AFTER CLASS

- Make a new **STUDY GUIDE**

- Condense** your notes in your own words!!
- TRANSFORM** important info into easier forms for review.

- STUDY YOUR STUDY GUIDE!**



#2 IN CLASS

- Take **GOOD** Notes! (short hand abbreviations can help you write faster!)

- If you don't get it, **ASK QUESTIONS!!!**

- If you made yourself a **STUDY GUIDE** add comments from class discussion!

#4 REVIEW!

- The weekend after class, spend **30 mins** a day reviewing your **STUDY GUIDE**.

- Quiz yourself! Make it **FUN!**

#5 PREP 4 EXAMS

- Schedule your test dates on a **CALENDAR**:

- Decide **what, when, & how** you will study each day and **ADD IT** to your calendar.

- STICK TO YOUR PLAN!**

IB Acronyms and Vocabulary



IB-International Baccalaureate



MYP-Middle Years Program (9th and 10th)

DP-Diploma Program (11th and 12th)

EE-Extended Essay

CAS-Community and service

PP-Personal Project

IA-Internal assessment 1 per class

TOK-Theory of Knowledge

Title Paper-TOK written portion

Sixth Subject-upperclassmen have many options for their sixth subject class – which they test in for their IB Diploma alongside their 4 core classes and a foreign language

HL-Higher level (need at least 3 in reference to IB testing, but no more than 4)

SL-Standard level

Ab Initio-Beginner language level



For planning purposes: Important Jan. dates

Freshmen

- **15th** – Mentor Meeting during BOTH lunches in the Upper Cafeteria

Sophomores

- **15th** – Big Meeting #6 for Personal Project from 7:30 - 8:15am in Lecture Center
- **20th** – Personal Project Completion of the Project due: Evidence, Bib, Research uploaded to ManageBac & ALL Process Journals completed
- **22nd** – Big Meeting #7 for Personal Project from 7:30 - 8:15am in Lecture Center

Juniors

- **31st** – Four additional academic sources and note cards in NoodleTools

Seniors

- none

A complete list of Important Dates for the entire school year can be found on our Smoky Hill IB Website by scanning this QR Code



SHHS IB Important Dates

*Smoky Hill
IB Instagram*

@SMOKYHILL.IB

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SMOKY HILL HIGH SCHOOL



	DAILY SCHEDULE (M, T, Th, F)	ADVISORY SCHEDULE (W)	WEATHER DELAY SCHEDULE (M, T, W, Th, F)
PERIOD 1R/1G	8:20 - 9:55	8:20 - 9:44	9:50 - 11:02
ADVISORY		9:50 - 10:30	
PERIOD 2R/2G	10:01 - 11:36	10:36 - 12:00	11:08 - 12:20
PERIOD 3R/3G	11:42 - 1:49	12:06 - 2:00	12:26 - 2:12
LUNCH 1	11:42 - 12:14	12:06 - 12:36	12:26 - 1:00
CLASS	12:14 - 1:49	12:36 - 2:00	1:00 - 2:12
CLASS	11:42 - 1:17	12:06 - 1:30	12:26 - 1:38
LUNCH 2	1:17 - 1:49	1:30 - 2:00	1:38 - 2:12
PERIOD 4R/4G	1:55 - 3:30	2:06 - 3:30	2:18 - 3:30

Announcements and recognitions will be made at the beginning of Period 2 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

LUNCH 1	LUNCH 2
Business	AVID
Family and Consumer Sciences	English
Mathematics	Physical Education
Performing Arts	Social Studies
Computer Academy	Student Government
Science	Visual Arts
Student Achievement Services	World Languages
Technology/Computer Technology	

SMOKY HILL HIGH SCHOOL 2024-25 SY

July 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

August 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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11	F	F	14	★	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	★	29	30	31

September 2024						
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Daily Schedule (M, T, Th, F)			Weather Delay Schedule		
Period 1R/1G	8:20 - 9:55	Period 1R/1G	9:50 - 11:02		
Period 2R/2G	10:01 - 11:36	Period 2R/2G	11:08 - 12:20		
Period 3R/3G	11:42 - 1:49	Period 3R/3G	12:26 - 2:12		
Lunch 1	11:42 - 12:14	Lunch 1	12:26 - 1:00		
Lunch 2	1:17 - 1:49	Lunch 2	1:38 - 2:12		
Period 4R/4G	1:55 - 3:30	Period 4R/4G	2:18 - 3:30		

October 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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13	X	X	X	X	X	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

November 2024						
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December 2024						
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15	16	F	F	F	21	
22	X	X	X	X	X	28
29	X	X				

Advisory Day Schedule (W)		
Period 1R/1G	8:20 - 9:44	
ADVISORY	9:50 - 10:30	
Period 2R/2G	10:36 - 12:00	
Period 3R/3G	12:06 - 2:00	
Lunch 1	12:06 - 12:36	
Lunch 2	1:30 - 2:00	
Period 4R/4G	2:06 - 3:30	

HEADLINES STUDENT WORK
9/13/24, 10/4/24, 11/8/24, 12/13/24, 2/7/25, 3/7/25, 4/11/25, 5/9/25

January 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			X	X	X	4
5	●	7	★	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	X	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

February 2025						
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16	X	●	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	

March 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	X	X	X	X	X	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Lunch 1/Lunch 2	
Lunch 1	CTE (Computer Academy) (Math) Performing Arts (Science) (SAB)
Lunch 2	AVID (English) (PS) (Social Studies) (Student Government) (Visual Arts) (World Languages)

April 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	★			

May 2025						
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	F	F	F	GRAD	●	24
25	X	27	28	29	30	31

June 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

X	No School for Staff and Students
T	Teacher Work Day (No School)
[]	First/Last Day of Semester
●	Non-Contact Day (No School)
●	Non-Contact Day (Work Day)

★	Back-to-School Night, 8/15
F	Freshman Phase-In Day, 8/12 & 8/13
CCR	College and Career Readiness Day, 10/9
SAT PSAT 10	SAT & PSAT 10 Testing, 4/16
CMAS PSAT 9	CMAS for Juniors and PSAT 9 Testing, 4/17
★	STAR Testing, 8/28, 1/8, 4/30
F	Final Exams
◆	Final Exam Make-Up (By Appt. Only)
GRAD	Graduation - 8:00 a.m.