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“The Consideration Phase”

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Dear Westlake High Community,

Thank you for taking the time to read the third edition of the 2017- 2018 IB Middle Years Programme (IBMYP) newsletter. I do hope you find this newsletter informative as we embark on this journey to IB MYP authorization! My goal is to improve your understanding of the Middle Years Programme as well as keep our community up-to-date on the great things happening at Westlake.

Westlake High School is currently in the "Consideration Phase" and exploring the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme to determine if we share a common philosophy—a commitment to high quality, challenging, international education that will ensure our students are globally aware and competitive after high school.

During this phase, we will focus on where we are now, and what we need to do to align our current philosophies and practices with those of IB. Throughout this year you will receive additional information about the MYP program, as well as our current IB Diploma program, the IB Learner Profiles, and updates on the progress within this phase.

Respectively your servant in education,

Dr. Triaka Larry

IB MYP Coordinator

Upcoming Events

April 2-6

Spring Break!

April 21

World Creativity and Innovation Day

April 22

Earth Day – Go GREEN!

May 3

World Press Freedom Day

May 21

World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

May 24

Last Day of School!!

UPDATE: Congratulations to Westlake High School on successfully submitting their “**Application for Candidacy**” to the International Baccalaureate Organization by the April 1st deadline!! The review process will take between 8 to 10 weeks to determine if Westlake will enter the next phase of the IB MYP authorization process. KUDOS!

Westlake’s Mission and Vision

In keeping with our commitment to excellence we empower our students to become independent, life-long learners in an environment where students can learn and teachers can teach. Through a rigorous and meaningful curriculum we lay the foundation for our students to become successful and vital members of an ever-changing society.

International Baccalaureate’s Mission

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.

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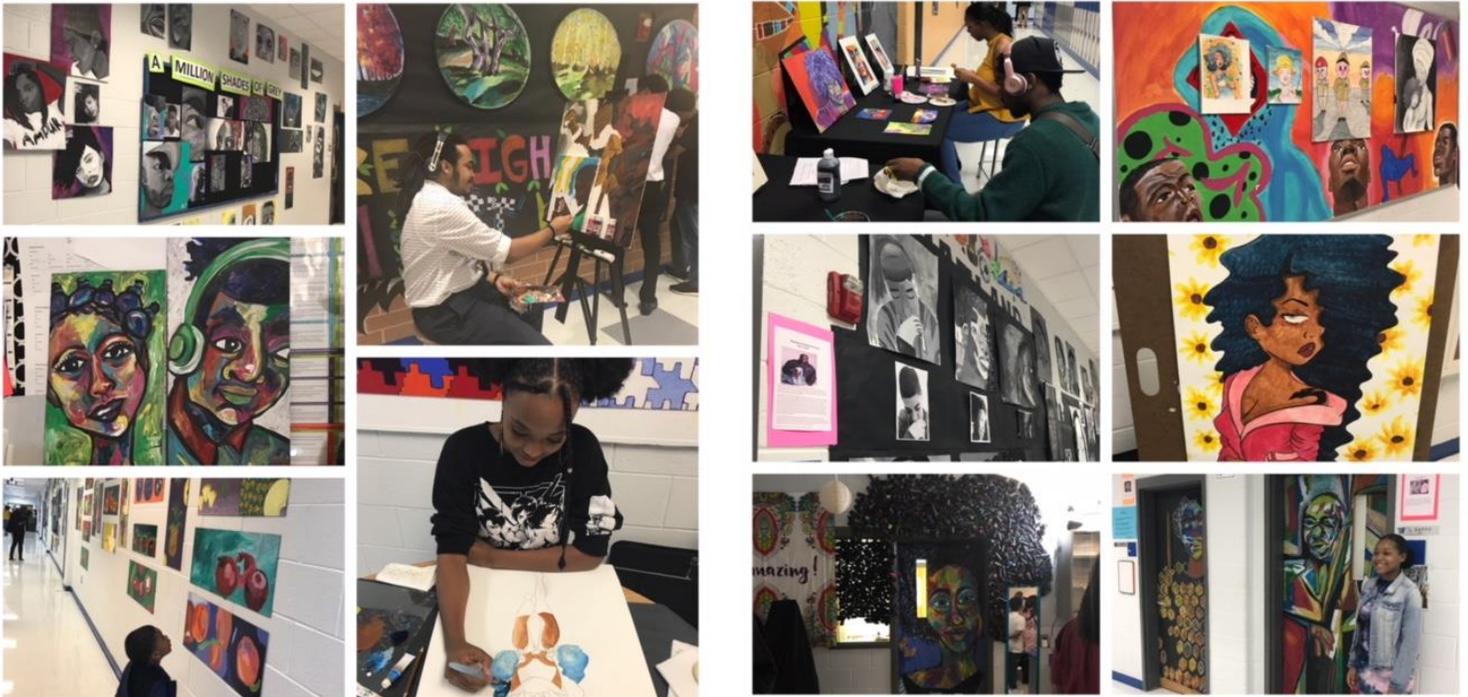
TEACHING AND LEARNING



2017-2018 Spotlight: International Mindedness, Global Awareness, and Cultural Diversity at Westlake

The 2017-2018 school year has been incredible for our students at Westlake High. Students have been able to show expression through music, art, and dance in order to show others their perceptions of global and international awareness, the impact of cultural diversity, and display many of the IB learner attributes through this year's **Art and Jazz Festivals** and the **Cultural Art Expression Exhibition** to celebrate **Youth Art Month!**

Through diligence, compassion, and thought-provoking personal expression our Westlake Lions can do anything. Well done!



"Art is the expression of those beauties and emotions that stir the human soul." -Howard Pyle



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