STUDY GUIDANCE POLICY

Kuopion Lyseon lukio

IB Programme

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AIM

The aim of the guidance is to help students successfully complete their IB education, to help students to discover their passions, reach their full capacity and pursue studies after having completed the IB Programme. The IB coordinator is the IB students’ counsellor and she co-operates with the student counsellor of Kuopion Lyseon lukio. The IB coordinator meets each student for individual consultations once during pre-DP year and twice during both IB 1 and IB2. This is the minimum of contact time with each student, but students can contact the IB coordinator whenever necessary. The IB coordinator also is in touch with school social worker, psychology, nurse, special education teacher and doctor if needed.

Pre-DP

The IB coordinator helps pre-DP students to choose the best combination of subjects for the IB Programme. When choosing the subjects, students' future plans are discussed and their performance in different subjects is evaluated. Student progress is available for parents on Wilma (the online grading programme used by the school). Parents may also turn to the IB coordinator if they have queries or concerns. Parents' evening is arranged once a year.

IB1

By the end of the fall semester, IB 1 students meet the IB coordinator and their performance is evaluated, possible problems are tackled and adjustments made. Students’ future plans are discussed and some initial plans for further studies are made. IB students are guided and encouraged to attend presentations at Lyseo arranged by students/tutors from various schools, universities etc. About 50 presentations are available for students annually. Students are supposed to get to know different fields of study.

By the end of the spring semester, IB 1 students meet the IB coordinator again. Their performance is evaluated and the discussions on future study plans continue. Those planning to study abroad will receive special assistance. Parents can check the progress of a student under 18 on Wilma. Parents' evening is arranged once a year.

IB2

At the beginning of fall semester, all students are registered for May exams. Those planning to study abroad are helped with references and applications. All students attend an Open Day at the University of Eastern Finland in Kuopio. It is possible to discuss future studies in Finland after the Open Day.

During the spring semester, students receive information concerning life after school, legal issues, gap year issues etc. Students are assisted with applications for Finnish universities if needed. Parents' evening is arranged once a year.