



Bishkek International School

MINIMUM STANDARDS TO BE AWARDED A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA AT BIS

The Bishkek International School 'High School Diploma' is awarded to all graduating students who meet the following minimum standards¹:

1. Credits (full academic year course²) in the following subject areas³:
 - English - minimum 4 credits
 - Other Language – minimum 4 credits
 - Mathematics – minimum 4 credits
 - Science – minimum 4 credits
 - Computer Science – minimum 2 credits
 - Individuals & Societies – minimum 4 credits
 - Creative & Elective courses (may be in the categories listed above) – minimum 4 credits
2. Physical Education program completed⁴
3. Community Service program completed⁵
4. Minimum 2.0 unweighted GPA⁶

Notes:

¹Students transferring into BIS High School in years 2, 3, or 4 must provide documentary evidence of achieving these standards (or the equivalent based on previous school requirements) during their high school years at another school, and must achieve the relevant pro-rata standards in their years at BIS.

²Minimum 80% attendance in the course is required to receive a credit.

³Any individual subject group credit requirement may be reduced by one or two credits (except English and Computer Science), provided the overall number of credits achieved is at least 14 credits in the first two years of High School and 10 credits in the last two years of High School

⁴PE is one period a week during High School. In the Diploma Programme, 'activity' under CAS may be counted instead of PE lessons, if approved by the Athletics Director as being equivalent to 30 periods of PE each year.

⁵A Community Service program approved by the school must be completed in each academic year. The service component of CAS counts in the Diploma Programme. In the first two years of High School, the equivalent of a CAS service component must be completed, as approved by the IGCSE Coordinator.

⁶GPA score is calculated by dividing total GPA points by total credits. GPA scores are rounded to one decimal place with a 0.05 rounded up every time. The only exception if the score is 3.95 or higher and not a perfect 4.0, it is rounded to two decimal places. GPA grade conversion table from the IB Diploma and IGCSE is shown below.

Grade Conversion Table			
IGCSE GPA		IB Diploma GPA	
Grade	IGCSE	Grade	DP SL or HL
A*	4.0	7	4.0
A	3.8	6	3.8
B	3.5	5	3.5
C	3.0	4	3.0
D	2.0	3	2.0
E	1.5	2	1.0
F	1.0	1	0
G	0.5	-	-
U	0	-	-

The valedictorian designation is determined by the highest GPA score for the last two years of High School only. Multiple valedictorians are possible if several students earned the same top GPAs after the scores have been rounded.