

# Interlake High School

## An International Baccalaureate School

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### School & Community Overview

Interlake High School is one of five public high schools in the Bellevue School District, located in Bellevue, WA. Bellevue is the fifth largest city in Washington, with a population estimated at 142,400. Bellevue encompasses a large technology and retail hub. The Bellevue School District serves approximately 20,270 students in grades K-12. The district vision is *"To affirm and inspire each and every student to learn and thrive as creators of their future world."*

Interlake is a comprehensive four-year high school and serves approximately 1664 students. Interlake is accredited by the Washington State Association of Educational Service Districts and is an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) World School. Interlake offers a variety of programs to meet the different needs of students, and operates by the motto, *"Integrity, Humanity, Scholarship."*

### Administration

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**CEEB/ACT Code:** 480069

**2022 Class Size:** 450  
**GPA:** Unweighted only  
**Ranking:** Bellevue School District does not rank  
**Grading Scale:** 4.0 (no +/- included in GPA)  
**Schedule:** 2 semesters per year; 7 courses per semester on a modified block schedule

**Low Income:** 19%  
**English Language Learner:** 8%  
**Underrepresented Minority:** 19%  
**First Language Not English:** 43%  
**On time Grad rate:** 92%

### Graduation Requirements

**Credits:** 24 (.5 = 1 semester)  
English: 4.0  
Math: 3.0  
Science: 3.0  
Social Studies: 3.5  
Career/Tech Ed: 1.0  
PE/Health: 2.0  
Fine Arts: 2.0\*  
World Language: 2.0\*

\*WA State's Personal Pathway Requirement allows students to replace 1.0 of Fine Arts and 2.0 of World Language with classes more beneficial to their future plans.

-Complete a **Graduation Pathway** that is aligned to their High School and Beyond Plan, such as CTE coursework, AP, IB or College in the High School exams or coursework, or achieve passing scores on state SBA ELA/Math assessments, SAT or ACT exams or the ASVAB.  
-Complete **WA State History**  
-Earn a minimum **2.0 Cumulative GPA**  
-Complete **40 hours of Community Service**

### National Academic Achievement

#### National Merit 2021

Commended: 55  
Semifinalists: 47  
Finalists: 46

#### AP Exam Scores 2021:

Total Exams: 1698  
5: 36%  
4: 30%  
3: 20%

#### IB 2021:

Diplomas Awarded: 174  
Average points obtained by IB candidates: 35  
Highest points awarded: 45  
Bilingual IB Diplomas earned: 12

#### IB Assessment Scores 2021:

Total Exams: 1033  
7: 18%  
6: 34%  
5: 31%  
4: 14%

## Programs

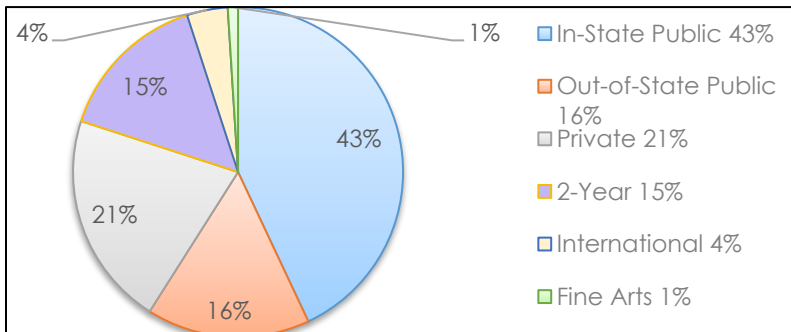
### Advanced Learning Services (formerly Gifted High School Program):

Interlake hosts Bellevue School District's highly capable program, in which approximately 1/3 of our student-body are enrolled. To be identified students must score at or above the 98<sup>th</sup> percentile on a test of cognitive ability and at or above the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile on reading and math achievement tests. Students in the Advanced Learning program complete the IB Diploma Programme in 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades, leaving senior year for additional college-level courses and an internship.

**IB & AP:** Interlake is an International Baccalaureate School, offering either a path to an IB Diploma (11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades) or individual course certificates. IB focuses on "developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who are motivated to succeed" by strengthening qualities such as critical-thinking skills and global awareness. In addition to completing assessments in 3 High Level and 3 Standard Level IB subjects, diploma candidates must also complete the Extended Essay (EE) - an independent research project, Theory of Knowledge (ToK), and Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS). Students must earn a minimum of 24 (maximum 45) points from 6 subject areas and ToK/EE to earn the IB Diploma. **AP:** Students may take AP tests in several subject areas, starting in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. IB and AP are open enrollment and available to all students.

**Running Start:** a Washington State dual-enrollment program offered to eligible juniors and seniors. A 5-credit community college course is equal to 1.0 high school credit.

**Career & Technical Education: Welding, Construction Management and Nursery/Greenhouse Operations** are part of a district-wide program called **WANIC**. Students can access Career & Technical Education courses across Bellevue and neighboring districts. Options include **Auto Technology, Teaching Academy, Health Sciences**, and more. Students can receive dual credit through local colleges for these and other CTE courses. The **AVID** program assists students who have a strong desire and determination to excel and may be first generation college students. Interlake hosts **Pacific**, the district's program educating developmentally disabled students. Traditional students may opt to be a **Peer Coach** for one period a day, where they are paired with a Pacific student to serve as a peer coach and receive a .5 elective credit.



## Accolades

*\*no regional or state championship athletic games/matches were offered in Washington for 2020-21*

- 56 students in the Class of 2021 received a perfect academic record during high school, equating to a 4.0 cumulative GPAs
- Interlake's Chess Team won the 2021 Washington State High School Chess Championship
- DECA's membership is around 100 annually; nearly 25% qualify annually to compete at the international level
- Saints Robotics received the first District Chairman's Award, the first Regional Chairman's Award, and the Concept Award for the Game Design Challenge

(Beryllium Group) in 2021; they also started the Saints Robotics podcast and established the Interlake Saints Online Learning Experience, an online Scratch course for elementary students

- 122 students in the Class of 2021 received the Washington Seal of Biliteracy, demonstrating a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading and writing in one or more world languages in addition to English
- 139 students from the Class of 2021 completed over 100 hours of community service; of those 18 students logged over 300 hours, 17 over 500 hours, and 3 over 1000 hours
- 15 students in the class of 2021 completed their Associate's Degree by participating in the dual credit program, Running Start

- The IHS Game Development Club won awards in five categories in 2021: Programming, People's Choice, Best in Show, Art and Assets, Judges Choice
- The Interlake Chamber Orchestra (an auditioned string orchestra) was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place Gold, the Adjudicator's Award, and the Outstanding Orchestra Award at the April 2021 World Strides Virtual Heritage Festival competing against schools from Japan, Vietnam, Canada and the US.
- The Interlake Collaborative Orchestra was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place Gold at the May 2021 World Strides Virtual Heritage Festival. The Collaborative Orchestra is a collaboration of all three Interlake Orchestras. Due to virtual classes students learned to use a variety of technical apps and software to record and create a full orchestra experience.

## COVID19 Grading updates

*-For much of the 2020-21 school year (September through March), most secondary students learned in a setting that was entirely remote, with 2 – 3 hours of live synchronous virtual learning per class per week. The remainder of learning opportunities were primarily asynchronous. Just prior to the end of the first semester, there was a period of learning disruption for many students that resulted in less live virtual synchronous learning, as well as cancelled classes. To account for these factors, the district modified their grading policies 1<sup>st</sup> semester to allow for the use of Pass or "P" mark at the student's request in lieu of typical letter grades B, C or D. 2<sup>nd</sup> semester was similar, but D grades were automatically converted to a P 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. A No Credit or "NC" mark has been used in place of F grades. As of September 1, 2021, Bellevue Schools are back to in-person learning under our typical 7-period day schedule.*

**The class of 2021 had 447 students. Of those, 98% enrolled in a post-secondary institution.**