

Gjøvikregionen International School

Candidate school for the

Middle Years Programme (MYP)

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New to the MYP? New to the IB?

What are the <u>expectations</u> for

What is the reality for

Students? Parents? The school? Students? Parents? The school?



MYP Curriculum organiser What do you see?

- Child centered
- Approaches to learning and Approaches to teaching
- Action, Service
- Community project or personal project
- Subject groups
- International mindedness

IB vs Norwegian state schools: the essence

- Different pedagogical program; different practices: inquiry based
- Systemic development of in-depth learning
- Conceptual understanding and interdisciplinary learning
- Focus on learning processes
- English as medium of instruction Norwegian a subject

- Different pedagogical program; different practices: more teacher driven
- Topic based
- Content based
- Focus on recall of information
- Norwegian as medium of instruction English a subject

Activity: assessment and the MYP

- MYP Assessment uses standards tables called **rubrics**.
- Student work is matched to the **descriptors** in cells in the table.

Part of the challenge for our students is to learn how to do this!

Let's practise!

Example standards table

(MYP 3 rubric for Criterion A, Sciences)

Achievement		IB MYP 3 achievement level descriptors				
levels	0	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	
A – Knowing & Understanding		 (i) recall scientific knowledge iii engly enjoyed if in 	i. state scientific knowledge	 i. outline scientific knowledge ii. orgalu scientific 	 i. describe scientific knowledge ii. engly scientific 	
reach a standard indicated any of th	standard indicated by any of the descriptors	 ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to suggest solutions to problems set in familiar situations 	 ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in <u>familiar situations</u> 	 ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in <u>familiar situations</u> and suggest solutions to problems set in unfamiliar situations 	 ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in <u>familiar and unfamiliar</u> situations 	
		iii. apply information to make judgments.	 iii. apply information to make <u>scientifically</u> <u>supported</u> judgments. 	iii i nterpret information to make <u>scientifically</u> <u>supported judgments</u> .	iii. analyse information to make <u>scientifically</u> <u>supported judgments</u> .	



FIGURE 4-2 Current and predicted Future 3 distribution for the red squirrel. SOURCE: Songer et al. (2013). Reprinted with permission.



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An IB education: the challenges

- **Demanding** for students to become familiar with new processes
- Allow students time to develop

« The point is not to get top grades in all MYP years, but <u>allow time</u> <u>for development</u> to ensure the are able to reach their highest potential in the final year of the MYP »

 The importance of recognition of timely development – by students, by parents, by the school

Don't panic!

- No great inventions were achieved by quick fixes, or giving up
- The IB MYP emphasises the importance of perserverance, bravery and collaborative support

