

**What is Happening in the 7th Grade Trimester One?**

**Statements of Inquiry**

The IB MYP emphasizes the power of **“the big picture.”** This means that teachers work to collaboratively develop a single, central statement for each unit that captures and reflects what’s so important about what students are learning – this is called the **statement of inquiry**. This statement represents the greater learning our students achieve **through** our content, leaving a permanent mark of greater knowing and understanding that will continue to develop throughout their lives. Below are the Statements of Inquiry 7th grade students will encounter during their first unit.

**Language & Literature and Individuals & Societies** *(interdisciplinary unit)*

Our perspective causes us to seek a change in ourselves and/or the world.

**Math**

Math helps us do work that impacts our communities.

Logic impacts the form of communities.

**Science**

Interactions in a system illustrate invisible forces.

**PE/Health**

Positive changes are made when we make the choice to improve our movements and interpersonal skills.

**Language Acquisition**

**French:** A purpose of traveling is to gain a meaningful and tangible understanding of culture.

**Spanish:** Where we go and what we do in our communities help us to develop more cultural awareness and to build personal connections with a wider audience of people.

**Design**

Developing functioning systems, requires resources and collaboration, to create products as a way to improve our daily lives.

\*Some students may take this course Tri. 2 or 3

**Arts**

**Visual Arts:** Aesthetic expression through composition is paramount in the formation of one’s identity. Personal and Cultural Expression can be represented in many ways, in order to communicate ideas and tell stories

**Performing Arts:** Notation makes it possible to communicate information to read, play, and compose.

**Speech, Drama & Debate:** Expression to and from an audience influences successful communication.

*Years from now, when the dates, formulas and facts have all but disappeared, what remains? Through the hard work, collaboration, and deep thinking of our teachers…****our statements of inquiry will!***