

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: E. Dossdall, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: International Baccalaureate Examination Results: May 2000

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RESOURCE

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INFORMATION

In May 2000, 509 students from seven district high schools (Harry Ainlay, Jasper Place, M. E. LaZerte, McNally, Old Scona, Ross Sheppard, and Victoria) wrote a total of 1629 I.B. examinations. This is the first year that results from Jasper Place, M. E. LaZerte and Victoria have been included in the district data.

Table 1 provides a comparison of district results to world results from the May 2000 test administration. Information on the total number of students in the world writing each examination is not available.

**TABLE 1
COMPARISON OF DISTRICT TO WORLD RESULTS
ON MAY 2000 I.B. EXAMINATIONS**

SUBJECT	Average Score (out of 7)		Number of District Students Writing
	E.P.S.	World	
English (HL)	4.88	4.82	236
History (HL)	5.51	5.09	249
Biology (HL)	4.84	4.18	275
Mathematics (SL)	5.24	4.72	282
Chemistry (SL)	4.81	4.21	216
Physics (SL)	5.20	4.40	64
French B(SL)	5.35	4.83	138
German AB(SL)	5.00	5.30	8
Mandarin B(SL)	5.80	5.60	40
Japanese B(SL)	5.24	4.58	38
Art Design (SL)	4.24	4.29	33
Music (SL)	5.50	4.69	14

HL - Higher Level

SL - Standard Level

District averages for 2000 are higher than world averages for all courses in which five or more district students participated except for German AB (SL) and Art Design (SL).

In 2000, 111 out of 115 (96.5%) district I.B. diploma candidates were successful in obtaining their diploma. In 1999, 99 out of 101 students (98.0%) were successful in obtaining a diploma.

Appendices I and II provide longitudinal data from 1996-2000 of district I.B. examination mark averages. When comparing 2000 district results to the previous year, the district average is higher in History, Physics, Mandarin, and Japanese.

Appendix III provides school by school results for May 2000.

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- APPENDIX I - District I.B. Examination Mark Averages:1996-2000 Higher Level Courses
- APPENDIX II - District I.B. Examination Mark Averages:1996-2000 Standard Level Courses
- APPENDIX III - International Baccalaureate Examination Averages for District Schools:May 2000