

## MAY 2021 COHORT FAQS

### DIPLOMA COURSE DELIVERY

***What is going to be different for the next two weeks and potentially beyond this period?***

All of your classes will shift to an online delivery format starting on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, Day 6 in the TMS cycle. Teachers will be using Google Classroom, ManageBac, and TMS email to communicate with you about course content, task completion, due dates, and assessment. You must be an active and engaged online participant so that you derive a full learning experience. If at any time you have questions, ask any of your teachers. They will be checking their online classrooms and email on a regular basis. Be sure to follow the school protocol for online learning, and more importantly, adhere to the TMS Policy for Academic Honesty. Until further notice, all classes will be online environments.

### INTERNAL ASSESSMENT CONCERNS

***How will I undertake and submit my practice Internal Assessments?***

In the first year of the two-year Diploma Program, you are given the opportunity to undertake practice Internal Assessments that will prepare you for your eventual submission to the IB. Some of these are partial versions of the full IA, others are supports for the IA, and some are full renditions of an IA. Similar to classroom delivery, teachers will guide you through the necessary learning for the IA in their respective subjects via an online format. In the case that you are unable to undertake a particular aspect of an IA such as an experiment in a lab, your teachers will direct you to alternative options (design labs, data-based labs). For Language & Literature, many of you have completed a mini Individual Oral Commentary while others have yet to have done so. Your teachers will advise you on this. Some of you have yet to deliver your first practice TOK Presentation with the accompanying PPD. Your TOK teacher will contact those students who have not yet undertaken this task, and instead of a live performance, you will submit an audio-visual product with the appropriate references. Your PPD will be submitted on ManageBac as per usual.

No DP 1 student submits an IA to the IB in the first year of the Programme.

### UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

***What assessments will constitute my Term 3 grade?***

Any work issued to you by your teacher can be used to calculate your grade for the third term of Grade 11. Just as you would in a regular brick-and-mortar setting, be sure that you are clear about the expectations for each task. The learning and the workload will remain the same for your course credits: only the format of delivery has changed. Your June examinations will count for 30% of your overall grade in most subjects, and even though you are in a two-year program, do not forget that you are earning discrete Ministry credits that end in June. Please note that HZT 4U (TOK), EWC (EE), and Visual Arts do not hold formal examinations in June. Visual Arts will have an alternative assessment, and HZT and EWC are only 50% complete

As always, use all available school support: teachers, Ms. McLean, Ms. Bailey, and Mr. Bunten.