

Students with Attitude!



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IBO Mission Statement

The International Baccalaureate Organization aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

To this end, the IBO works with schools, governments, and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment. These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate, and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

IB Attitude FOCUS: ENTHUSIASM

Dear Alpine Community:

This is the one installment of an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB-PYP) Attitudes Newsletter, which will highlight the twelve IB Attitudes. The goal would be to provide our families and community with the necessary resources to help our school develop the IB-PYP ATTITUDES.

The IB-PYP Attitudes are a vital focus in the development of positive attitudes towards people, the environment, and learning. These are the day to day attitudes we use: appreciation, commitment, confidence, cooperation, creativity, curiosity, empathy, enthusiasm, independence, integrity, respect, and tolerance. **When reinforced at home (or when reinforcing the positive attitudes that students learn at home, church and other places), these attitudes become second nature for children.**

With respect—Paige Gordon, Principal, Alpine Elementary, IB-PYP Candidate School

What is ENTHUSIASM? According to the IBO (*Making the PYP Happen, 2007*), enthusiasm is enjoying learning. *It's being excited about learning and life.*

**Like what you do.
If you don't like it,
do something
else.**

-Paul Harvey,

Radio Talk-show host



'Life is to be lived. If you have to support yourself, you had bloody well better find some way that is going to be interesting.'

-Katharine Hepburn,
American actress



'A mediocre idea that generates enthusiasm will go further than a great idea that inspires no one.'

-Mary Kay Ash, founder
of Mary Kay cosmetics

Books that promote the IB Attitude of Enthusiasm:

Hoffman, Mary. **Amazing Grace**. Scholastic, 1991.

The consummate actress of any role, Grace with the support of her family is convinced she can play the part of Peter Pan in her school performance. Winning the approval of her classmates during the audition, clearly demonstrates determination, a confident nature, a joy in performing and a streak of independence.

Kesselman, Wendy. **Emma**. Bantam Doubleday Dell, 1980.

Seventy-two year old Emma discovers great delight and a way to combat her loneliness by painting scenes of all her favorite friends and places so she is now surrounded by all that she loves.

McDonald, Megan. **Insects are my Life**. Orchard Books, 1995.

No one at home or school understands Amanda Frankenstein's devotion to insects until she meets Maggie.

Prelutsky, Jack. Dr. Seuss **Hooray for Diffendoofer Day**. Scholastic, 1998.

This most extraordinary school in Dinkerville proves that their teachers have educated their students properly, when they achieve top scores on an unexpected test. The rhyming text and vibrant, unusual yet detailed illustrations blend together to create a memorable work by three talented authors and illustrators.

Sis, Peter. **Starry Messenger**. Giroux, 1996.

Describes the life and work of the courageous man who changed the way people saw the galaxy by offering

'Life's blows cannot break a person whose spirit is warmed at the fire of enthusiasm.'

Norman Vincent Peale



'Love what you do. Do what you love.'

-Wayne Dyer