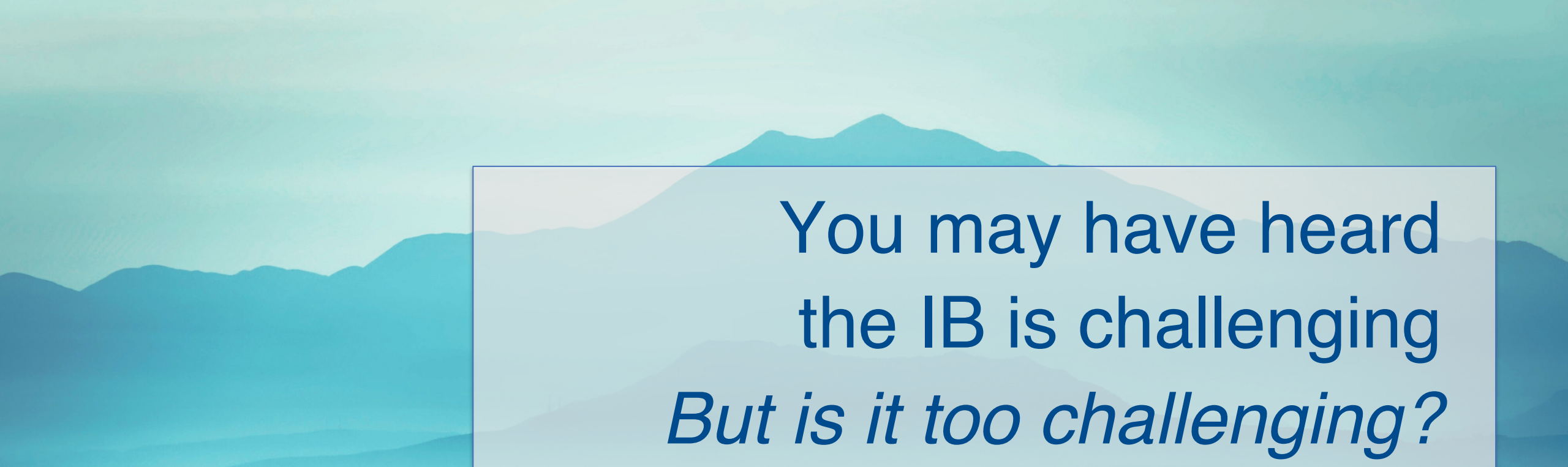




**Welcome to  
DP Language and Literature**

# **What can you expect in your IB Language and Literature journey**



You may have heard  
the IB is challenging  
*But is it too challenging?*

**We believe you are capable  
and any student can  
be an IB student**

IB courses certainly prepare  
you for college and a careers

**But there's more to an IB education  
than that...**

it connects to the **real world**

it provides students the opportunity  
to make lots of **choices**

it focuses just as much on  
**how you learn**, as what you learn

but most importantly...

Participating in as much of an  
IB experience as you can,  
will help you grow and develop your  
skillsets in ways you can apply  
wherever life takes you!



# Tarik Brown did not fit the traditional profile of an IB student

“I didn’t have a stable housing situation during my junior year right when the IB started to get really hard. I found it really hard to focus on my studies when I didn’t know where I was going to sleep, each night. What got me through was the sense of community that the IB creates...This was such a significant factor for my success in the programme, helping me to develop perseverance and resilience even while things in my life were so unpredictable.”

Tarik received a generous scholarship to study  
Computer Science and Public Policy  
at Notre Dame University, IN



**Tarik Brown**  
**Jacksonville, FL**  
[Read Tarik’s inspiring story](#)

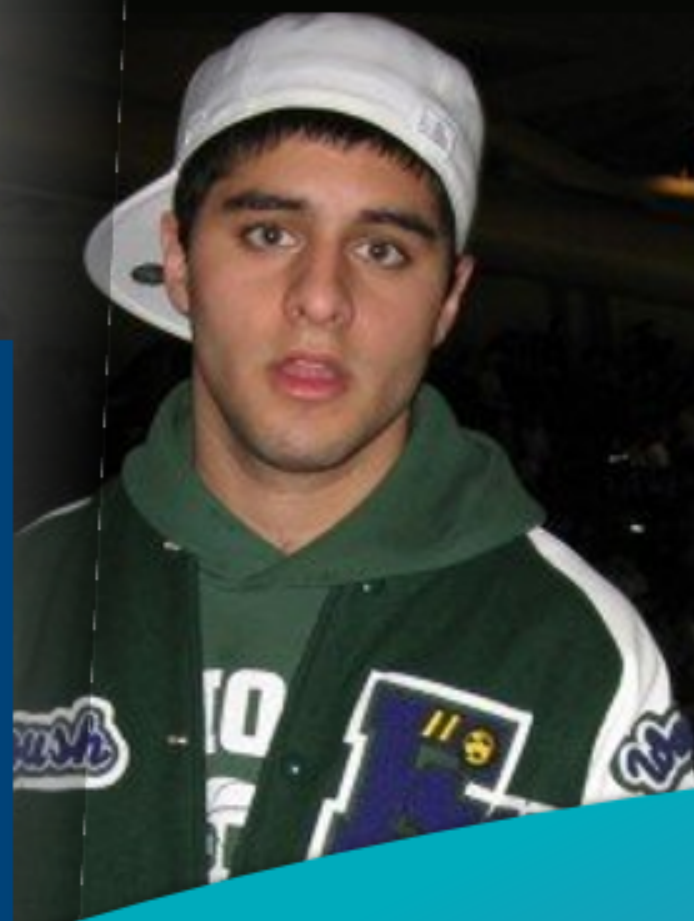
# Meet Kooroush

Before he started his final two years of high school, Kooroush chose subjects that challenged him as he wanted to improve his skills and go to university.

9	FUND OF TECH		S2: A
9	SPANISH 1	S1: B	S2: A
9	PRE IB: ENG 9	S1: B	S2: B
9	PRE IB: NONWEST WRL	S1: B	S2: B
9	INTEG MTH II	S1: A-	S2: A-
9	PE INDIVL / TEAM	S1: A	
9	BIOLOGY HONOR	S1: B+	S2: A-
10	SPANISH 2	S1: B-	S2: C+ ←
10	CHEF SCHOOL 1		S2: C ←
10	PRE IB WORLD LIT H	S1: A-	S2: A-
10	PRE IB AP EUR HIST	S1: B-	S2: B
10	PRE IB INT MATH	S1: B-	S2: C+ ←
10	PRE IB CHEMISTRY H →	S1: C-	S2: D ←
10	HEALTH	S1: A-	

Look at Kooroush's grades before entering the DP.

With a **D** in Chemistry, some school counsellors would suggest that the IB wasn't right for Kooroush...



# Dr. Kooroush Mansourzaheh

Kooroush became a dentist and owns not one, but two practices.

Kooroush is lucky that his track record was not a barrier for his opportunity to study in the IB programme his school offered.

Kooroush did not have to play catch-up in order to pursue his interests and aspirations.



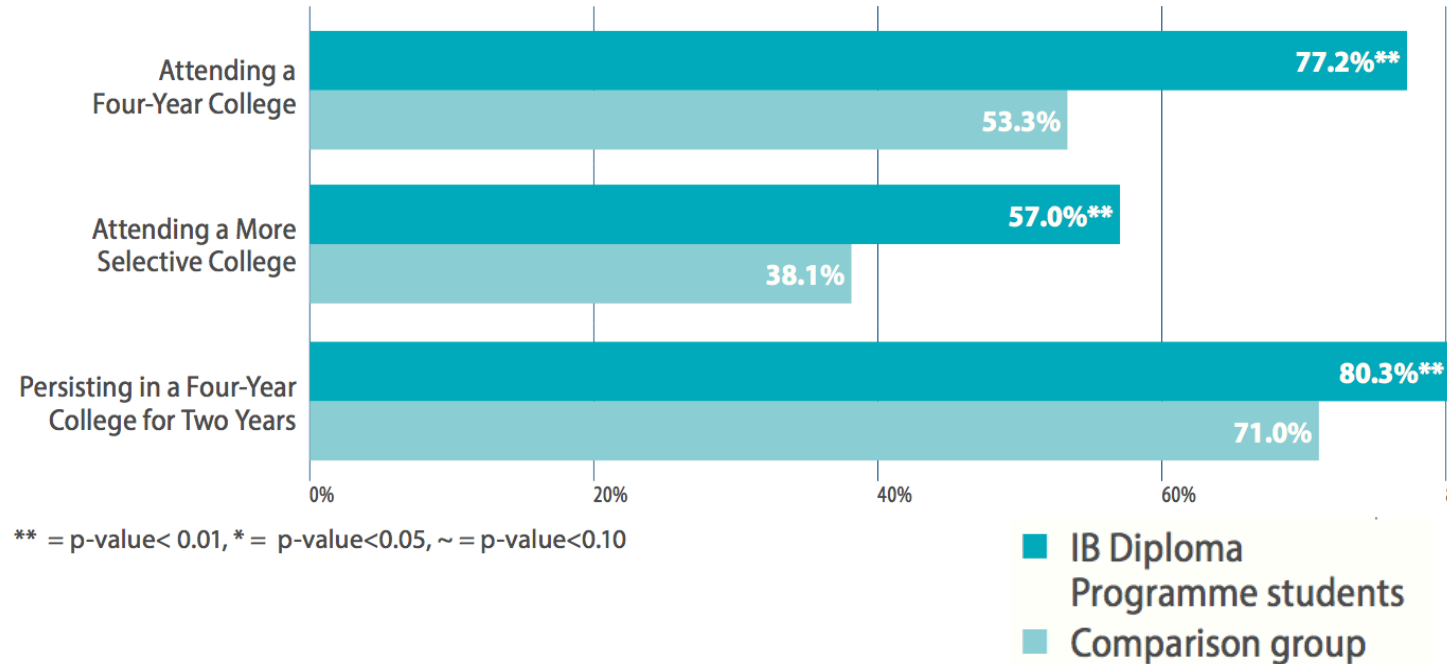


# IB students have better outcomes than peers

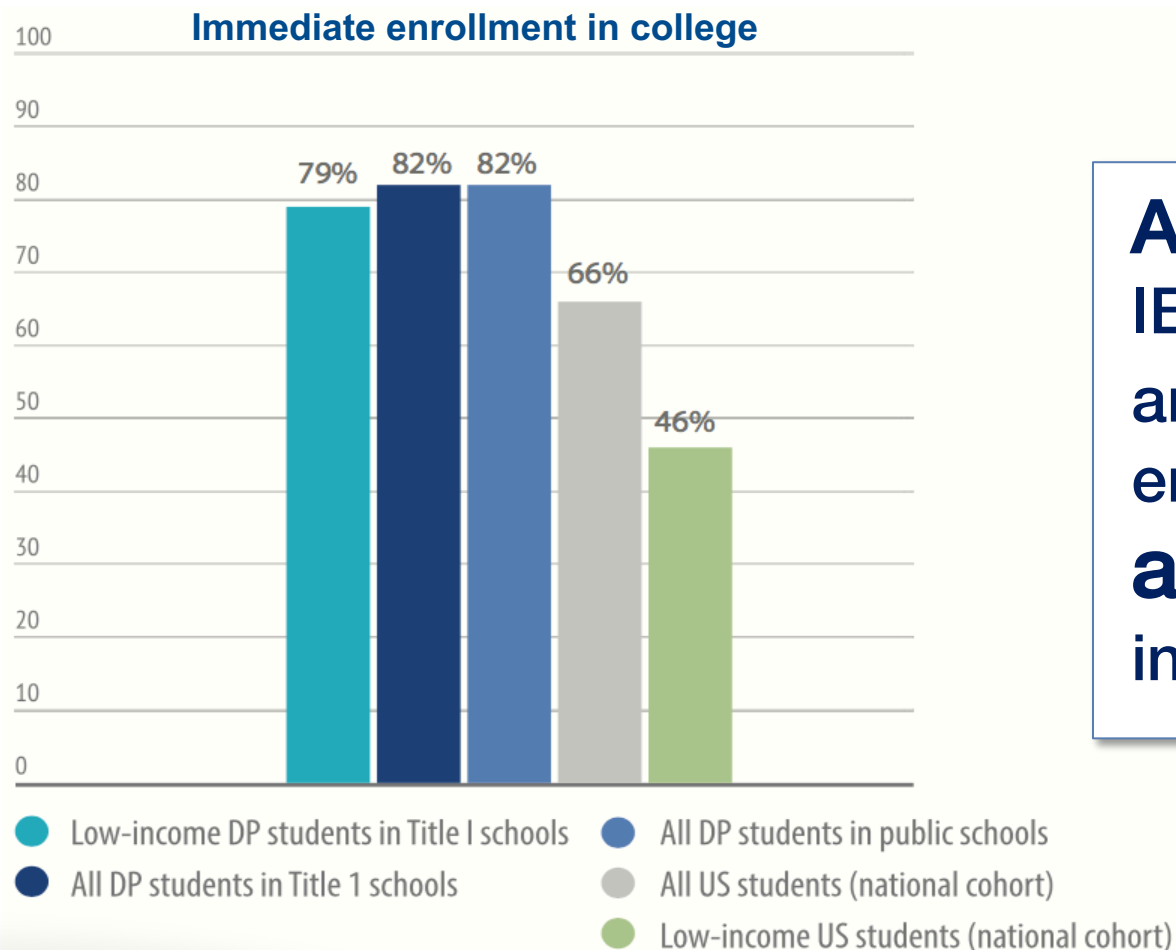
## Chicago Public Schools study

“IB students in college describe a confidence in their academic ability rarely seen in studies of first-generation, low-income, racial/ethnic minority college students. Not only did they feel they could keep up with their more advantaged peers, they felt they could eclipse them...”

["Working to my potential.." p52 \(2012\)](#)



# The IB has helped all students to be among the top performing students in the United States



**All students** participating in the IB Diploma Programme are **more likely** to immediately enroll in college compared to **any other student** in the United States!

# The IB Diploma and Career-related Programmes



**The IB designs learning in each programme model, so students make connections and transfer their knowledge, understanding, and skills into unfamiliar contexts**

Develop agile lifelong learners

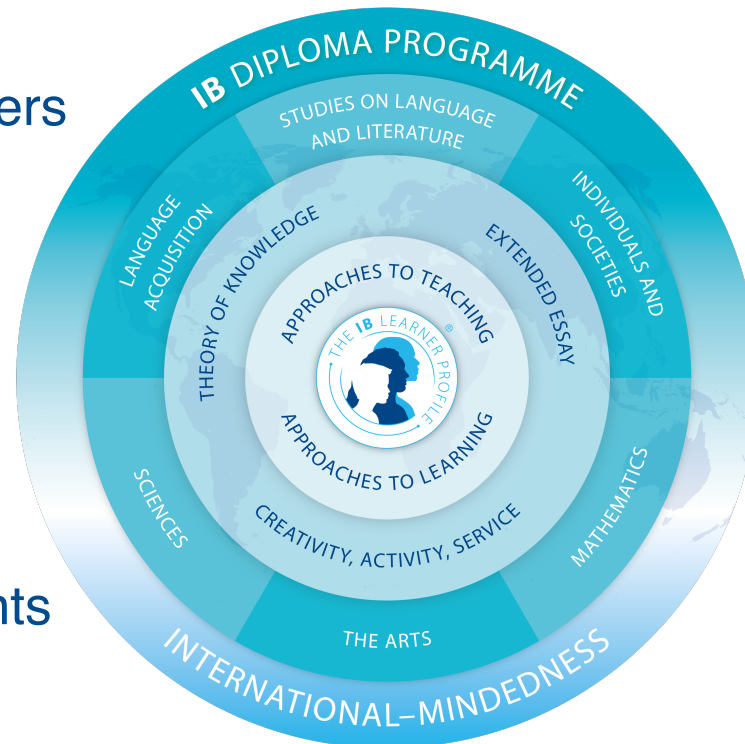
Challenge students to grow

Engage student interests

Nurture natural curiosity

Applied learning experiences

Flexible course arrangements





# The impact of student self-efficacy

When students  
are encouraged  
and supported,  
they flourish in  
rigorous  
learning  
contexts

**How an IB education  
will shape your future**

Watch on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Do0FoCGTly0>

# Educational benefits for even taking one course



Your experience in advanced coursework is growth oriented so you feel ready to challenge yourself after high school

You will apply the skills you have developed in ways that keep up with the changing world

You will improve your ability to think creatively and critically, and build confidence to write and present

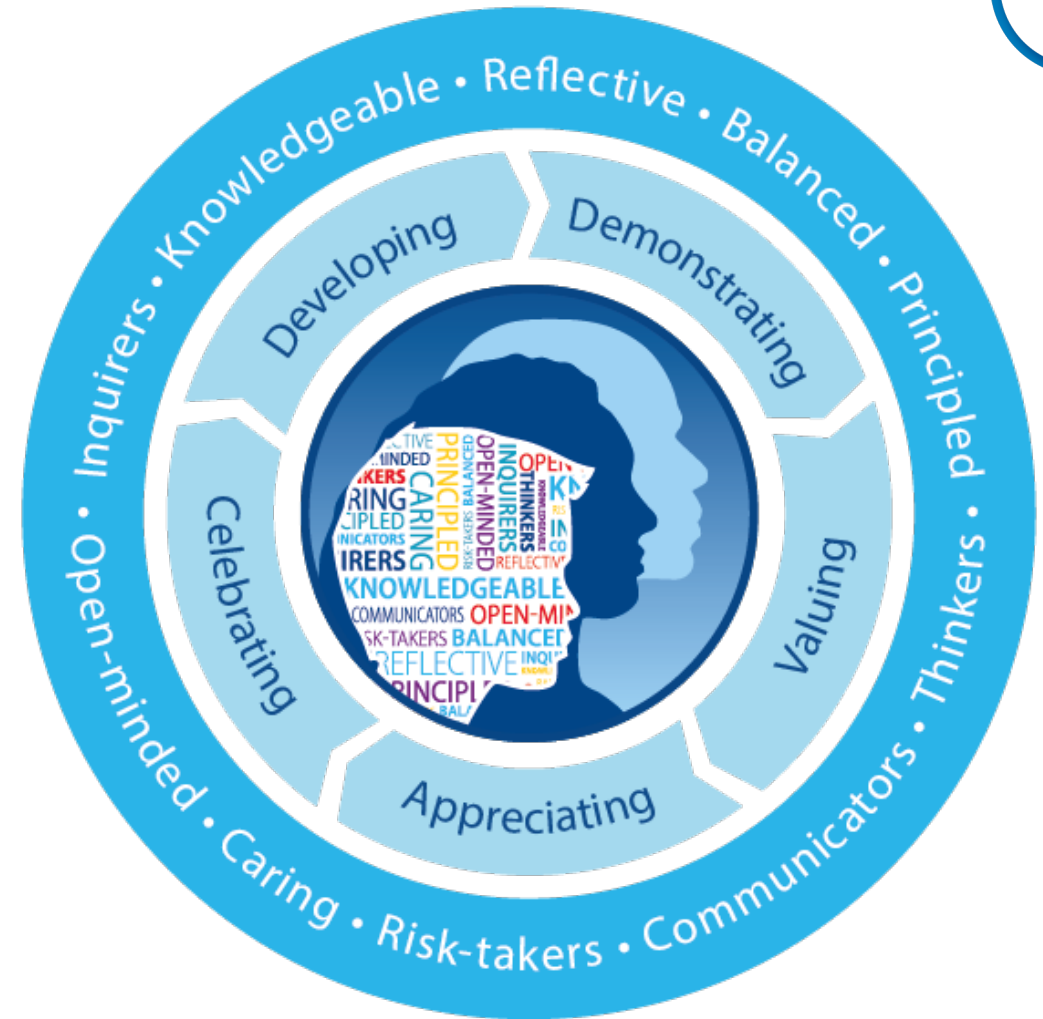
You will have many opportunities to demonstrate what you have learned

Your voice matters and the IB experience give you a place to express your ideas and your authentic self



# In the rapidly changing world knowing how to learn new things will define success

IB education prepares the kind of thinkers who have the skills to adapt to new contexts



# Learning together

We will work together  
to ensure your success

What are some ways you  
define success in school?  
What are some things you  
want to improve on,  
this year?