



## THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Ronald Edmonds Learning Center is a candidate school<sup>1</sup> for the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme and pursuing authorization as an IB World School. IB World Schools share a common philosophy—a commitment to improve the teaching and learning of a diverse and inclusive community of students by delivering challenging, high-quality programmes of international education that share a powerful vision.

The IB program is about developing the whole student, helping students learn how to learn, how to analyze, how to reach conclusions about humankind, its language and literature, its ways in society, and the scientific forces of its environment. The IB Program helps to foster a kind of independence, an interdisciplinary style of thinking and questioning that creates worldly scholars and global citizens. For this reason, the IB Middle Years Programme and individual IB coursework are widely recognized by universities around the world as a symbol of academic excellence and one of the strongest educational experiences available in secondary education today.

The IB program will provide additional opportunities and challenge for every student. Students will participate and be exposed to a curriculum that supports IB as well as the scope and sequence of the New York City Department of Education. The IB programme of study will not replace the current learning standards but will complement and support them.

Currently, we have been working on the following:

- Finalizing policy documents
- Introducing the school community to the learner profile aims
- Introducing the school community to the IB Approaches to Learning
- Collaborating on a complete curriculum that supports IB and our School Community

What to look forward to:

- Becoming IB Authorized school year 2024-25
- IB events, forums and townhalls

Please feel free to check our school website for ongoing updates about our IB journey. [www.relcl13bk.org](http://www.relcl13bk.org)

Educationally yours,

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<sup>1</sup> During the candidacy phase, the school will deepen its knowledge of the IB's philosophy and the programme in which it is interested, as it takes the actions necessary to meet the IB's requirements for authorization.