



**Waterloo Region
District School Board**

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

The Waterloo Region District School Board continues to be committed to the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program as a System Designated Specialized Magnet Program offered at both Cameron Heights Collegiate Institute and Glenview Park Secondary School. In addition, the goal continues to be building and maintaining a sustainable IB Program that meets the needs of our students and our communities across the region.

Recent financial pressures have required that the Waterloo Region District School Board undergo a system fiscal review to explore where expenditures can be reduced. As part of this review, it was determined that the International Baccalaureate Program, as an enhanced program, will be required to be funded on a cost-recovery model. For our families, this means that the fee for the program will be increased to reflect the additional costs of the program that historically had been funded through the Board budgetary process.

In an effort to support families with this change, the fee increase will be phased in over the course of the next year. IB Program fees for 2014-2015 will remain unchanged. Fee increases will be effective for the 2015-2016 school year. A copy of the revised fee schedule will be posted to each school website and provided to families shortly. Students and parents will receive detailed fee schedule information and related communication from both CHCI and GPSS at school meetings and through the school websites.

The Waterloo Region District School Board understands that parents and students have been anxious to hear about the outcome of the review and we appreciate your patience. It is possible that these changes may impact some families in their ability to access the program. You are encouraged to connect with the school Principal, IB Coordinator, or your Family of Schools Superintendent of Education, should you have any questions or concerns (see contact information below).

Cameron Heights Collegiate Institute

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Julie Neeb, IB Coordinator
Gregg Bereznick, Superintendent of Education
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519-570-0300 Ext. 4209

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Lou Mackie', written in a cursive style.

Mary Lou Mackie
Executive Superintendent of Education