



CDNIS Student Achieves Perfect Score in 2018 IB Diploma Examinations

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Canadian International School of Hong Kong (CDNIS) graduates are celebrating after receiving their results for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP). CDNIS is pleased to congratulate the members of its Class of 2018 for their excellent results and for once again far surpassing the IB Diploma worldwide average. With one of the largest DP cohorts in Hong Kong at 114 students, CDNIS is thrilled that the students' perseverance, diligence and hard work resulted in its ninth cohort of IB students achieving the school's highest results ever. In addition, it is the fifth consecutive year a CDNIS student has achieved a perfect score.

- One student gained the maximum 45 for the IB Diploma
- 12 students scored 43 or 44 points out of the maximum of 45 points
- the average diploma score was 37
- 43 students scored 40 points or higher
- 12 students received the Bilingual Diploma
- 100% pass rate

CDNIS student James Chow achieved the maximum score of 45. Achieving a score of 7 in all six major subjects in addition to securing an extra three points in both the Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge elements is extremely difficult, making the award of 45 a truly exceptional achievement.

Upon receiving the news, James, who will study medicine at the University of St. Andrews next year said, "I can't believe this is happening right now."

A student at CDNIS for 14 years, James said that what he will remember the most about his time at the school is the strong bonds he built with many of his fellow classmates and the experiences he had outside the classroom. He summed up his DP experience and the secret for his success by saying, "Always stay balanced. Ahead of academics, striving for balance is the most important aspect in my life. Both service and athletics play a big role in shaping who I am as a person. I've really enjoyed playing basketball and volleyball up until my final year at CDNIS, as well as being involved in Habitat for Humanity. It has been a long journey but I will never forget the experiences and relationships I have built along the way."

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Head of School Mr. David Baird said, "The outstanding exam results that our students have achieved once again are testament to the hard work that they have shown all year. As a life-long educator myself, I can say with absolute certainty that such passion and dedication is not grown overnight, but rather fostered and matured over time. It has been a pleasure watching our students achieve such success, and it is now a bittersweet moment for all of us here at CDNIS to bid them farewell as they move on to the next stage of the education journey. They have achieved very highly over the years, not only in their academic success but also in their character developed while at CDNIS."

Along with the IB Diploma, CDNIS students also graduate with the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), making them some of the few students in Hong Kong to graduate with two distinctly different diplomas.

Upper School Principal Tim Kaiser said, "We've always had terrific DP results at CDNIS, especially considering that all of our students take the full IB programme and over half of our graduates started at CDNIS when they were in pre-school. But this year they really knocked it out of the park! On top of that, we had double the amount of scholarship offers and 81% of our Class of 2018 received at least one offer from a QS ranked top 100 university in the world."

Members of the Class of 2018 have accepted offers to study at universities around the world including Cambridge, Oxford, University College London, Imperial College London, University of Chicago, Cornell University, King's College London, University of Toronto, Queen's University, University of British Columbia, the University of Hong Kong and have been offered more than HK\$16million in scholarships to study at these institutions.

CDNIS is a private, independent school of 1,800 students representing more than 38 nationalities. CDNIS is one of only six IB continuum schools in Hong Kong offering three IB programmes from Pre Reception to Grade 12. An IB World School which is also accredited by CIS and WASC, CDNIS is a school united by the joy of learning, excellence in achievement and development of character. We will inspire academic and personal growth in our students by encouraging inquiry, stimulating creativity and innovation, embracing cross-cultural and global perspectives, and fostering meaningful participation and service.

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