

# Lake Wales High School

## Henry McCance International Baccalaureate

### Class of 2019 College Profile

#### The School Community

Lake Wales High School was founded in 1920 and is in its fourteenth year as a Lake Wales Charter System school. Currently, the system consists of four elementary, two middle schools, and one high school. The campus sits on over 75 acres in the rural community of Lake Wales, Florida. It serves over 1,500 ninth through twelfth grade students from around the Polk County area.

The school runs on a modified block schedule with rotating 1, 3, 5 on Monday and Wednesday and 2, 4, 6 on Tuesday and Thursday, all six classes meet on Fridays. Students have the opportunity to earn a maximum of six half credits per semester during the school day.

The student body is culturally diverse with a population that is <1% Asian, <1% Indian, 3.2% Multicultural, 20.7% Black, 28.6% Hispanic, and 45.8% White.

Lake Wales High School has over 40 clubs on campus with participation in 30 athletic teams, offering our students a wide variety of extracurricular opportunities.

#### International Baccalaureate

There are approximately 330 students (grades 9-12) in the Lake Wales High School Henry McCance International Baccalaureate program. The LWHS IB program operates as a school-within-a-school, with its own code and curriculum. Due to the rigor of the IB diploma program, Florida IB graduation requirements are different than a standard high school diploma.

Freshmen and sophomore students take Baccalaureate Prep courses; junior and senior years are devoted to IB courses. The IB Program of Study consists of three subjects to be studied at the Higher Level (HL) and three subjects to be studied at the Standard Level (SL), two for a two-year period and Group 6 for a one for a one-year period. IB Diploma candidates are allowed a no credit study hall outside of the required 6 periods.

#### Academics

- LWHS IB offers IB English HL, IB Spanish SL, IB History of the Americas HL, IB Biology HL, IB Math SL or IB Math Studies SL, IB Film SL, IB Philosophy, IB Dance SL, or IB Geography SL.
- LWHS offers AP Human Geography, AP World History, AP Comparative Government and Politics, Macroeconomics, and AP Psychology.
- LWHS has six career academies: Agricultural, Culinary Arts, Design Technology and Innovation, Digital Media, Early Childhood, and Health Science.
- LWHS has an articulation agreement with Polk State College for Dual Enrollment course options

#### GPA Distribution

LWHS ranks seniors based on a weighted 4.0 scale. Student rank and GPA cover a period from August of their freshmen year to June of the graduating year. In addition, some students opt to enroll in high school courses during middle school, all high school courses will be tabulated into their GPA. Students take six courses each year with online, dual enrollment, and zero period options. Grades are recorded on the transcript and GPA is computed at the end of each semester in January and May.

PLEASE NOTE: Student Rank on transcripts shows class standing out of just IB senior class not the entire LWHS senior class.

#### Grading System

LWHS uses a standard grading system with letter grades A-F on a weighted 4.0 scale. Additional weight is added to courses based on rigor (IB-1.0, AP-1.0. Dual Enrollment: 1.0, Honors-0.5).



#### Mission Statement

Lake Wales High School strives to create a vibrant internationally minded community where students are encouraged to seek a life of inquiry, reflection, and merit.



#### Student Enrollment:

LWHS (1721): 1251  
LWHS IB (1722): 327



70% Free and Reduced  
Lunch Status



LWHS Class of 2019  
363 seniors



IB Class of 2019  
39 Diploma Candidates  
17 Course Candidates

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### 5 Year Admission Statistics

Adelphi University	Georgetown University	St. Leo University
American University	Georgia State University	Stetson University
Anderson University	Harding University	Stony Brook University
Baptist College of Florida	Heidelberg University	SUNY Purchase
Barry University	Hofstra University	Tuskegee University
Becker College	Hollins University	University of Alabama
Belmont University	Howard University	University of Central Florida
Berea College	Huntington University	University of Charleston
Berry University	Indian River State College	University of Florida
Bethune Cookman University	Indiana University	University of Miami
Catholic University of America	Jacksonville University	University of Michigan
Champlain College	Johns Hopkins University	University of Mississippi
Clark Atlanta University	Johnson & Wales University	University of Montana
Colgate University	Lake Erie College	University of Nebraska
Columbia College Chicago	Lander University	University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Covenant College	Loyola College	University of North Florida
Eckerd College	Lynn University	University of Oregon
Edwards Waters College	Missouri State University	University of San Francisco
Embry Riddle University	Mount Holyoke College	University of South Florida
Emerson College	New College of Florida	University of South Florida St. Petersburg
Emory University	North Carolina State University	University of Southern California
Erskine College	Nova Southeastern University	University of Tampa
Flagler College	Oklahoma State University	University of Tennessee
Florida A&M University	PACE University	University of West Florida
Florida Atlantic University	Palm Beach State College	Valdosta State University
Florida Baptist College	Polk State College	Valencia College
Florida College	Queens University of Charlotte	Vassar College
Florida Gulf Coast University	Randolph-Macon College	Warner University
Florida Institute of Technology	Rollins College	Webber International University
Florida International University	San Diego State University	Wesleyan University
Florida Memorial University	Santa Fe College	West Virginia University
Florida Polytechnic University	Sarah Lawrence College	Western Carolina University
Florida Southern College	Seton Hall University	Westminster College
Florida State University	Southeastern University	Wilmington College
Full Sail University	Spelman College	Winthrop University
George Washington University	Spring Arbor University	

### HENRY MCCANCE IB PROGRAM FIVE YEAR HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ 3 Gates Millenium Scholarship recipients
  - ▶ 1 QuestBridge Scholarship recipient
- 15 NCAA/NAIA Scholarship Athletes  
 Over 200% increase in program enrollment since 2014!  
 IB Diploma recipient rate above the United States average!



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