

Tropicana SJII Education Management Sdn. Bhd. (876687-U) St. Joseph's Institution International School Malaysia (Tropicana PJ Campus)

First cohort of SJIIM students celebrate outstanding IBDP results

Petaling Jaya, Malaysia (9 July 2018) – Students of St. Joseph's Institution International School Malaysia (SJIIM) surpassed all expectations by producing outstanding results in the recent 2018 International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) examinations.

31.7% of SJIIM students obtained 40 points and above and boasted an aggregate score of 37 points, a far cry from the 2017 IBDP Global Average of 29.9 points and significantly higher than the 34.17 points average of other Malaysian schools offering the IBDP Programme in 2016. Their stellar results are a fantastic achievement, especially since this is SJIIM's inaugural IBDP results.

The top scorers of SJIIM, Mr. Tan Hong Xuan and Mr Ng. Wey Han, scored a near-perfect 44 points. Based on the previous year's statistics, this places them among the top 1% of IBDP students worldwide.

Hong Xuan shared, "My learning experience in SJIIM has been one that is coloured with vibrancy and joy. The utmost enthusiasm demonstrated by the teachers in their creative pedagogical practices is complemented by the consummate facilities provided by the school. In SJIIM, no student is excluded from the wholesome Lasallian community, with the interactions between the staff and the students being one of warm cordiality." For the next step of his education, he plans to head to the Wesleyan University in the United States to study either English or Philosophy.

Wey Han was equally reflective about his experience in SJIIM, "My journey at SJIIM started after speaking to the Principal and the Brothers at one of their events. A wave of certainty washed over me; I knew that this was the right school for me. Indeed, it was. Throughout the IB Diploma Programme, there were times when I felt like throwing in the towel, but I am incredibly grateful that my teachers and friends stood by me and helped motivate me through these tough times. They instilled faith in me, knowing that I could rise to the occasion and I wholeheartedly feel that this is what makes SJIIM's community truly unique which is the level of trust we have in each other."

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) enjoys a very high level of respect and recognition among the world's higher education institutions. For students, success in the IBDP often results in advanced standing, course credit, scholarships or other admissions-related benefits at top universities worldwide. Today, nearly 5000 schools worldwide offer IB programmes.

Br. Thomas Lavin, Brother President of SJIIM, was thrilled with the students' outstanding achievement, commenting that "We are extremely happy with what our students have achieved. This is a reflection of the hard work the students have put into their studies as well as the high quality teaching and accompaniment from our experienced IB staff. We have had a wonderful founding cohort of IBDP students who have also been dedicated to service of the needy in the Lasallian tradition. We are pleased that they will be going to some of the best universities in the world".



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Dr. Nicola Brown, the High School Principal of SJIIM had anticipated the good results and was very proud of their achievements. She added, "The all-round good results are strong testaments to the ethos of the school and our commitment towards achieving academic excellence which is a similar shining feature of our Brother school in SJII Singapore. I congratulate the students on their achievements as well as our teachers who have supported the students with exceptional education."

In celebration of SJIIM's outstanding inaugural IBDP results, SJIIM is offering an additional 3 full scholarships to deserving students entering the IBDP Programme in August 2018. The Board is also offering 1 scholarship to a top tertiary institution in China to a IBDP student of SJIIM. For additional information, please refer to <u>www.sji-international.edu.my/ibdp-scholarship-programme</u>.

About St. Joseph's Institution International School Malaysia (Tropicana PJ Campus)

A Brother school of the esteemed St Joseph's Institution and SJI International in Singapore, St Joseph's Institution International School Malaysia (SJIIM) provides Lasallian holistic education for 3 to 18 year olds. SJII Malaysia offers International Primary Curriculum, Singapore Math and a strong Mandarin Programme as well as the International General Certificate of Secondary Education ("IGCSE") and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme ("IBDP").

Located in the heart of the Tropicana township, the campus is a 6.5 acres' purpose-build school which offers wide-ranging facilities such as a indoor sports hall, senior and junior swimming pools, auditorium / performing arts centre, music studios, black box drama rooms, separate elementary & high school library, computer lab, FA qualified football field, tennis courts, Lasallian Mission Centre, air conditioned dining hall, playgrounds and a sick bay with full time nurses. To ensure a safe environment for the students, the school is also equipped with campus-wide security system. For more information about the school, please visit <u>www.sji-international.edu.my</u>

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