

# Cambridge AICE Diploma

## A guide for parents

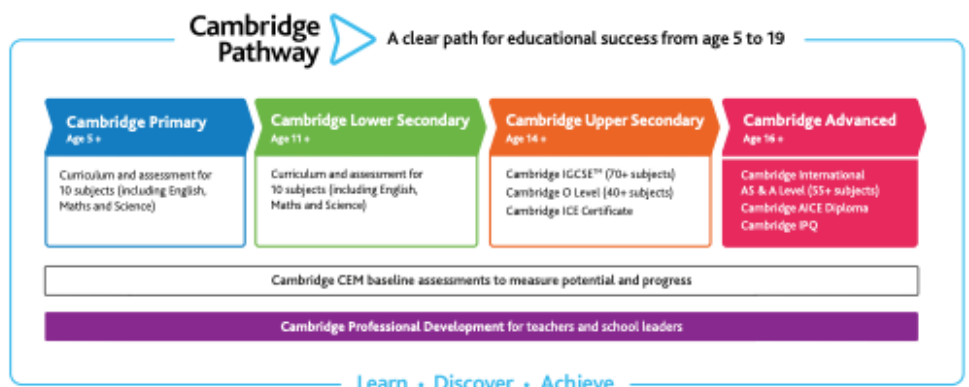
Cambridge International prepares school students for life, helping them develop an informed curiosity and a lasting passion for learning. We are part of the University of Cambridge. Our Cambridge Pathway gives students a clear path for educational success from age 5 to 19. Schools can shape the curriculum around how they want students to learn – with a wide range of subjects and flexible ways to offer them. It helps students discover new abilities and a wider world, and gives them the skills they need for life, so they can achieve at school, university and work.

Your child's needs as a learner are at the heart of our approach to education. Our Cambridge Pathway aims to give your child a love of learning that will stay with them through school, university and beyond. Our approach supports schools to develop learners who are:

- **confident** in working with information and ideas – their own and those of others
- **responsible** for themselves, responsive to and respectful of others
- **reflective** and developing their ability to learn
- **innovative** and equipped for new and future challenges
- **engaged** intellectually and socially, ready to make a difference.

### What is the Cambridge AICE Diploma?

Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education (Cambridge AICE) is a group certificate which requires learners to study subjects drawn from three curriculum areas within Cambridge International AS & A Level: mathematics and science, languages, and arts and humanities. There is also a compulsory core subject, Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research.



Cambridge International AS & A Level qualifications are taken in over 130 countries with more than 530 000 subject entries each year. They are typically for learners aged 16 to 19 years who need advanced study to prepare for higher education.



## Benefits for your child

With the Cambridge AICE Diploma, students choose Cambridge International AS & A Levels from three curriculum areas: mathematics and science, languages, and arts and humanities. We offer a wide range of subjects, meaning students can choose the ones they enjoy and are good at.

Students develop a deep understanding of the subjects they study, as well as independent learning and critical thinking skills. As part of the programme, students will also study Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research, a unique transformational programme that helps students develop transferable skills including research and collaboration.

The Cambridge AICE Diploma is designed for students worldwide, including those whose first language is not English. Assessment takes place at the end of the course, and gives students a variety of ways to show their knowledge and skills.

### Opening up opportunities worldwide

Thousands of learners use Cambridge International AS & A Levels every year to gain places at leading universities worldwide, including the UK, US, Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

All UK universities and nearly 850 US universities, including Harvard, MIT, Stanford and Yale, accept Cambridge International AS & A Level qualifications. In places such as the US and Canada, good grades in carefully chosen Cambridge International A Level subjects can result in up to one year of university course credit.



Learners can easily find out which universities worldwide accept Cambridge qualifications by searching our online database at [www.cambridgeinternational.org/recognition](http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/recognition)

Employers worldwide also recognise Cambridge International AS & A Levels as a reliable record of academic achievement.

### A global learning community

With the Cambridge Pathway, your child is joining a global community of learners from more than 10 000 schools in over 160 countries. By developing a global outlook in Cambridge learners, we aim to equip them for success in the fast-changing modern world.

**Learn more!** For more information on the Cambridge AICE Diploma, visit [www.cambridgeinternational.org/aice](http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/aice) or contact your school.

## Spanish River High School Website:

<https://www.palmbeachschools.org/SpanishRiverHS>

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# SPANISH RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

## CAMBRIDGE AICE DIPLOMA COURSES

### AICE Courses at Spanish River High School

Group 1: Math and Science	Group 3: Arts and Humanities	Group 4: Interdisciplinary Subjects (optional)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS Enviro Mgmt</li> <li>AS Info Tech</li> <li>AS/A Marine Science</li> <li>AS Psychology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS Business</li> <li>A Business</li> <li>AS English Literature</li> <li>AS Envir Mgmt</li> <li>AS European History</li> <li>AS International History</li> <li>AS Media Studies</li> <li>A Media Studies</li> <li>AS Psychology</li> <li>AS/A Sociology</li> <li>AS/A Travel Tourism</li> <li>AS/A US History</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS General Paper</li> <li>AS/A Thinking Skills</li> </ul>
Group 2: Languages		Group 0: (Required)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS English Language</li> <li>AS Portuguese</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AS Global Perspectives &amp; Research</li> </ul>	

### Earning the AICE Diploma at SRCHS

- To earn the AICE Diploma, candidates must pass seven exams. Students are expected to take the year-long Cambridge course before sitting for the exam.
- Students must take at least one exam from each of the required groups 1-3. In addition, students must take Global Perspectives and Research AS as well as three additional Cambridge courses of their choosing from any group. While Group 4 credits are not required for the AICE Diploma, they are highly recommended.
- All seven exams must be completed within three school years (a 25-month period).
- A Level courses must be taken the next school year after the completion of an AS Level course. A Level exams may be taken no more than 13 months after an AS Level exam in the same subject area.
- AICE Diploma recipients are exempt from his/her online course, Fine Arts, and P.E. requirements for graduation.

### Examination Policies

- Students are expected to take the exam for each Cambridge (AICE) course in which they are enrolled.
- Cambridge AICE exams are administered in two series: The "June" series (late April to mid-June) and "November" series (late September to mid-November).
- Cambridge AS exams are graded on a scale of a-e and A Level exams A-E. A mark of "Ungraded (U)" indicates that a student did not earn enough points to receive a grade. A "No Result" indicates that a student did not complete one or more components of the exam.
- There are no make-up dates within a given exam series for any Cambridge AICE exam.
- A student who does not pass an exam or misses one or more parts of the exam may **pay for a retake** in the next exam series. SRCHS pays for each exam for a class in which a student is currently enrolled for the first time and for their first attempt at the AICE Diploma.
- Students who fail to sit for an exam, for any reason, will have their HPA credit dropped to Honors for the course. Students who drop an AICE course after February 21st will be responsible for the exam fee. The cost of an AS exam is \$99.81 and an A Level exam is \$161.39.



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### Sample Course Progression 1 (Will vary based on individual student goals)

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
AS General Paper	AS English Language	A Business	AS/A Travel Tourism
AS International History	AS Business	AS/A Marine Science	
	AS Global Perspectives & Research		

### Sample Course Progression 2 (Will vary based on individual student goals)

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
AS General Paper	AS English Language	AS/A Travel Tourism	A Media Studies
AS/A Marine Science	AS Global Perspectives & Research	AS Media Studies	Info Tech
	AS European History	AS Envir Mgmt	

### My Cambridge AICE Diploma Plan

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade

### For More Information

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