## IB ALUMNI NEWS

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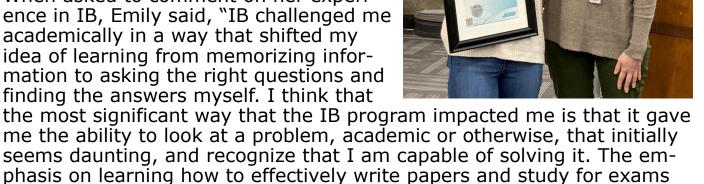
## **CLASS OF 2021**

Emily Duncan was presented with her International Baccalaureate Diploma at the January 10th Board of Education Meeting. While the IB diploma is certainly a challenging journey, it was made even more challenging by the onset of the pandemic in 2020 (Emily's first year in

her pursuit of the IB Diploma).

Emily surpassed all expectations and completed her International Baccalaureate diploma requirements with scores that were well above international averages. GCS congratulates her and wishes her luck in her current studies at Cornell University!

When asked to comment on her experience in IB, Emily said, "IB challenged me academically in a way that shifted my idea of learning from memorizing information to asking the right questions and finding the answers myself. I think that



me the ability to look at a problem, academic or otherwise, that initially seems daunting, and recognize that I am capable of solving it. The emphasis on learning how to effectively write papers and study for exams has also helped me significantly in feeling more confident in college."





