Cooper High School currently offers pathways for students to earn college credit while they are still in high school through the following programs:
- International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (IBMYP)
- IB Diploma Programme (IBDP)
- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)
- Advanced Placement (AP)
- Project Lead The Way (PLTW)
- Post Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO)

IBMYP provides students with a broad base of knowledge, an international perspective and higher order critical thinking skills. It is school-wide for all students, with an honors component for interested students. Students are offered a continuous IB path from kindergarten through grade 12 via Lakeview Elementary, Robbinsdale Middle School and Cooper High School.

What distinguishes the IBMYP is its unique core: six global contexts, Approaches to Teaching and Learning Skills, Action and Service, and Key and Related Concepts. The program culminates in the 10th grade Personal Project, where students explore a topic of interest to them and produce a product of their choosing.

IBDP follows IBMYP. The curriculum in grades 11 and 12 IBDP is based on state standards, a variety of elective choices and college-level course offerings. Cooper offers the following IB Diploma level courses:
- IB English 11 HL
- IB English 12 HL
- IB Literature and Performance SL
- IB French 5 HL
- IB French 6 HL
- IB Spanish 5 HL
- IB Spanish 6 HL
- IB Business and Management SL
- IB History of Africa and Middle East HL
- IB Twentieth Century Topics HL
- IB Psychology SL
- IB Chemistry SL
- IB Biology SL
- IB Physics HL
- IB Mathematics SL
- IB Math Studies SL
- IB Math HL
- IB Music

*Some courses may not be offered every year due to enrollment.