



**IV Liceum Ogólnokształcące z Oddziałami Dwujęzycznymi
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Language Policy (SSST)

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1. Candidates for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme who did not study Polish at earlier stages of their school education may, within Group 1 subjects, take another language in the school supported self-taught (SSST) option at SL level instead of Polish.
2. The subject Language A: Literature in the SSST option may be taken only if the student wishes to study a Language A that is not offered by the school.
3. Support provided by the school consists of general guidance regarding the fundamental elements of the course – areas of exploration, core components, as well as requirements and assessment criteria.
4. When deciding whether a student may take Language A: Literature in the school supported self-taught option, their previous academic performance will be considered. The student must demonstrate proficiency in their chosen language, both spoken and written. The decision will be preceded by a qualifying interview conducted by the IB DP school coordinator and the SSST school coordinator.
5. Every student taking Language A: Literature in the school supported self-taught option must have a tutor.
6. It is recommended that the tutor supporting the student in Language A: Literature (SSST) be a certified IB DP Language A teacher. If the tutor is not an IB DP Language A teacher, they are required to familiarise themselves thoroughly with all regulations governing the Language A: Literature school supported self-taught course.
7. The tutor's responsibilities include:
 - assisting the student in developing the course plan, in particular selecting the texts to be studied;
 - providing ongoing academic support;
 - closely collaborating with the SSST school coordinator and regularly reporting the student's progress;
 - assessing mock examinations organised by the school in accordance with IB assessment criteria.
8. A student will not be permitted to take Language A: Literature (SSST) if they have not found a tutor by the beginning of the school year in which they intend to commence the school supported self-taught course.
9. The tutor is required to sign a *tutoring agreement* with the school and the student's parents.

10. Support provided by the tutor may be offered in person or online.
11. The frequency and scope of the tutor's work with the student depend on the student's individual needs.
12. All costs related to the tutor's work are covered by the student's parents.
13. If necessary, the school may assist the student in searching for a tutor.
14. The reading list prepared by the student for Language A: Literature (SSST) must meet the course requirements and be approved by the SSST school coordinator. All items on the list must be selected from the [*Prescribed Reading List*](#).
15. Students taking Language A: Literature in the school supported self-taught option are required to participate in lessons conducted by the SSST school coordinator. The coordinator meets with students to monitor progress, provide guidance on literary analysis, help develop writing skills, and discuss general aspects of the course.
16. Support from the tutor and lessons with the SSST school coordinator should total between 100 and 130 hours over two years. The distribution of these hours between the tutor and the coordinator may vary depending on the student's individual needs.
17. The student takes part in mock examinations and official IB examinations on the dates indicated in the school's *Calendar of Deadlines* and in accordance with current *Assessment Procedures*.
18. Detailed information on the Language A: Literature (SSST) course may be found in the guide available at www.ibo.org ([*Language A: literature school supported self-taught student guide*](#)).