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Statement of Support

2024 IBSC Action Research Head of School Support Statement

Application Deadline: Wednesday, November 1, 2023

The IBSC Action Research Program provides exciting opportunities for faculty and staff at IBSC schools to plan and participate in research projects and engage in an online professional learning community. The project requires participants to be eager, thoughtful, computer literate, motivated, and well organized. While the IBSC Action Research coordinator and team advisors will guide the team through every step of the process, strong support from the head of school where they work has proven essential. This support could take the form of providing "research time" at key points or reducing the co-curricular responsibilities of the researcher. Please acknowledge and celebrate the researcher's participation and commitment to such valuable professional development.

Since February 2005, the IBSC Action Research Program has promoted the collaboration of educators in member schools worldwide. Sixteen action research cohorts have completed projects and reported findings at IBSC Annual Conferences in South Africa, Canada, New Zealand, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia. You may read these cutting-edge reports and learn more about the program on the [IBSC Action Research home page](#).

Please submit the following required information. Note that questions with asterisks* are required.

School/Organization Name*

First Name of Action Research Applicant*

Last Name of Action Research Applicant*

Head of School Information

Please supply the name and email of head of school completing this application.

First Name of Head of School*

Last Name of Head of School*

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Title (e.g. Headmaster, Rector, Principal, etc.)*

Email Address of Head of School*

Please tell us why you endorse this person's application.

Mentor Information

Please supply the name and email address of a senior staff member willing to act as a mentor for the researcher. This person will receive details of the research timetable and regular updates on the researcher's progress.

The mentor serves as a critical friend in the planning, implementation, and presentation of the project and meets regularly with the researcher to provide assistance or feedback. The mentor ensures that all submissions and the final report are formally edited and correctly referenced before publication. During the course of the research cycle, mentors will submit two brief status reports to team advisors to share the researcher's progress.

First Name of Mentor*

Last Name of Mentor*

Title of Mentor*

Email Address of Mentor*

If you are requesting financial support from IBSC in the event the applicant is selected, please indicate below the reasons for the request.

If your school is submitting applications for more than two participants, please prioritize them based on the value of their topics to the school.

By checking this box and submitting this form, I endorse the application of the person listed above, confirming that I understand the IBSC Action Research schedule, requirements, and financial terms as described on the IBSC Action Research page*

☐ I agree.

[2024-25 IBSC Action Research Page and Terms for Participation](#) or or [download PDF](#).

Contact Amy Ahart, IBSC Chief Operating Officer, at ahart@theibsc.org with any questions about the application process.

Contact Laura Sabo, IBSC Action Research coordinator, at sabol@stcva.org with questions about the research topic or the IBSC Action Research process.

Thank you!

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