I Can Learn From You: Boys as Relational Learners
A one-off workshop for teachers in Boys’ Schools

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The International Boys’ Schools Coalition is proud to sponsor this visit to Ireland by Dr. Michael Reichert for a workshop entitled “I Can Learn From You: Boys as Relational Learners”, based on the IBSC research report which has recently been published by Harvard Education Press.

The half-day workshop for interested Principals, Deputy Principals, Year Heads and teachers will be held at (St Vincent’s) Castleknock College, Dublin 15, from 1pm to 4pm on Friday 16 January 2015. The seminar will also be attended by key figures from the IBSC leadership team who will be available to answer questions about the role of the Coalition and details on the special membership deal available to Irish schools in 2015.

After leading two studies commissioned by the IBSC that included several thousand teachers and boys in over 40 schools from six countries, Dr. Reichert offers insights about reaching and teaching boys and perspectives to guide schools seeking to engage boys more deeply in their learning and achievement. He has given workshops and made presentations on this Relational Teaching project in the United Kingdom, South Africa, Australia, the USA and Canada, and spoken at many IBSC conferences.

Castleknock College, Dublin 15
Friday 16 January, 2015
1.00 – 4.00pm

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

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<td>Welcome: Joe Cox, former Headmaster, The Haverford School, Pennsylvania, USA, and current Executive Director, IBSC</td>
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<td>I Can Learn From You: Background and Conceptual Glossary; Positive Relationships; Fostering Teacher Growth. Michael Reichert</td>
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Michael C. Reichert is a psychologist who has worked in clinical, research and community health contexts for over 30 years. He holds a BSFS from Georgetown University, and a MS.Ed. and Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. Michael is the author, along with Richard Hawley, of the IBSC’s global research study on For Whom the Boy Toils: The Primary of Relationship in Boys’ Learning. The project involved 35 IBSC schools in the United Kingdom, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand Canada and the United States. The report findings were published in 2014 as I Can Learn From You: Boys as Relational Learners by Harvard Education Press. An earlier research report to the IBSC was published in 2010 as Reaching Boys, Teaching Boys: Strategies That Work – and Why (Jossey-Bass).

While most teachers will recognise their own school at its best in these findings, recasting boys’ education with a relational priority is a paradigm shift that requires thoughtful planning. In this workshop, participants will:

- Explore key findings from this large-scale study of teaching relationships that work – and that do not work – to engage boys in the classroom;
- Weigh the benefits and feasibility of strategies for fostering teachers’ reflective relational practice;
- Explore ways that schools can support this relational priority and deepen relational trust in the school community.

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WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Please register ________ people for the Boys as Relational Learners workshop.

Names of participants

1. __________________________________________
2. __________________________________________
3. __________________________________________

Name and address of school ________________________________
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Contact number _______________________________________

Contact email _______________________________________

☐ Please find enclosed fee (€20 for one person, €30 for two people, €35 for three people).

☐ I will pay the fee on the day of the workshop

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