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**Mid-Atlantic Association of IB World Schools**  
**February 14, 2025**  
**IB Coordinators Meeting**  
**New Town High School**

# Welcome!



- **Thank you to:**

- Chanell Owens Johnson, Magnet Coordinator
- Sadie Spencer, MYP Coordinator
- James Martin, Principal
- Tarah Kutch, Assistant Principal

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- **Slide deck and resources will be posted to IBMA website next week.**

The logo for Meg. features the word "Meg." in a white, bold, sans-serif font on a dark blue square background.

has sponsored our breakfast!



- Purpose: Creating a more interconnected, peaceful, and empathetic world for all.
  - Connecting students with our Spanish and Mandarin teachers for intercultural learning experiences that engage and empower
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- **Kirk Maddox**
  - Head of School Partnerships
- Available today:
- Breaks between sessions
  - Lunchtime

# Today's Agenda

- 9:00 - 9:15: Welcome**
- 9:15 - 10:45: Jorge Valenzuela**
- 10:45 - 11:00: Break**
- 11:00 - 11:30: IBMA business**
- 11:30 - 12:00: Programme specific breakouts**
- 12:00 - 1:00: Lunch**



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## Our Mission



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- 3. IBMA will gather regular and ongoing feedback from membership.**

# School Leader Recognition Awards



- **School leaders provide support and direction for IB programmes.**
- **Ways that school leaders support students, teachers, coordinators, and the IB mission.**
- **The IBMA Executive Board selects winner annually based on nominations.**

# School Leader Recognition Awards



**PYP - Beatrice Tchapda, Baltimore International Academy**

**MYP - Dr. Ryan Durr, Meade High School**

**DP/CP - Mr. Eric Pavlat, Parkdale High School**

# Jorge Valenzuela



The session will enhance educators' understanding of effective lifelong learning, foster inquiry and curiosity, promote international-mindedness, and strengthen collaboration. Additionally, it will introduce innovative teaching practices, including visible thinking routines, to empower educators in their instructional approaches.

- **Friday, February 14, 2025**
- **New Town High School, Owings Mills, MD**





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# IBMA BUSINESS

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# Laura Lane

IB World Schools Senior Manager



Has worked at the IB since 2018 supporting schools in the United States.



Supports US Public Schools in:  
DE, DC, MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA  
Private Schools in: TN



Prior to working at the IB:  
Teacher, IB Coordinator & District Support in MD, SC, and VA.



# Chloé Suberville, IBWS Senior Manager



- I have worked in urban and rural schools, as well as international private schools as a teacher, IB coordinator, and as part of the leadership team.
- I support private and independent schools with all 4 programs.
- I work with a portfolio of 424 programs in Colombia, Brazil, most US states, Canada, France, and Spain.
- I was born in Mexico to French parents, grew up in California, but studied in Canada!

# IBMA Constitutional Amendments

- Google form
- Vote “yes” or “no” for each proposed change
- $\frac{2}{3}$  vote of “yes” required for ratification of changes



# IBMA Constitutional Amendments

Article V. Officers: Addition of the new Digital Content Coordinator to the election cycle.

This position was approved in November 2024. This additional amendment will specify where this position will fall in the election cycle.

## **ARTICLE V. Officers - Amendment**

Spring-even years: President-elect, PYP Vice-President, CP Vice-President, Secretary

Spring odd years: DP Vice-President, MYP Vice-President, Treasurer, Digital Content Coordinator



# IBMA Constitutional Amendments

## Article IX. Amendments.

The current wording in the constitution indicates that “member representatives present and voting” shall be allowed to vote. The proposal is to change this wording to “member representatives in good standing with IBMA and voting”

### **ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by filing a copy of the proposed amendment with the President no less than forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting at which the proposal will be considered.

Section 2. The President shall cause the proposed amendments to be circulated among the entire IBMA membership no less than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the proposal will be considered.

Section 3. A two-thirds vote of the member representatives **present in good standing with IBMA** and voting shall be required to amend this constitution.



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- <https://tinyurl.com/IBMA-Amendment>



A group of six diverse students, three boys and three girls, are shown in a school hallway. They are all smiling and laughing, creating a positive and energetic atmosphere. The students are dressed in casual school attire. The background shows a typical school hallway with windows and doors.

# Student *Excellence* Award

# 2025 IB Mid-Atlantic Student Excellence Award

- Recognizes outstanding PYP, MYP, CP, and DP students from our member schools who represent the ideals of the IB Learner Profile and a commitment to service.
- \$500 award [PYP and MYP]
- \$1,000 award [CP and DP]

# 2025 Timeline

by February 28

Coordinators nominate one (1) student per programme.

by March 1

Nominees will receive an invitation to apply with detailed instructions on how to submit the portfolio.

by April 1

Student portfolios are due

April 7 - May 24

Committee reviews portfolios

May 30

Winners announced

# 2025 Portfolio Requirements

- **School / Community Activities:** List and describe the top three school (including athletics) or community activities that you have participated in.
- **Service Project:** Describe one service project you participated in that helped you realize IB's mission.

# 2025 Portfolio Requirements

- **IB Learner Profile Submission:** Name the one IB Learner Profile attribute that you best exemplify and describe how you represent this ideal. Also, name the one IB Learner Profile attribute that you feel has been one of your weaknesses and describe how you have strengthened this attribute throughout your IB experience. Accepted Formats: Essay, Poem, Short Story, Video, Powerpoint, Audio Recording



# *Student Excellence Award*

# Nomination Form

**Due by 4:00 pm, February 28, 2025**





# IBMA 2024 Elections



- **Positions Open for Election:**
  - **DP Vice President**
  - **MYP Vice President**
  - **Treasurer**
  - **[Digital Content Coordinator)**
  
- **[IBMA Elections Slide Deck](#)**

# IBMA BOARD ELECTIONS



Spring 2025



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- Positions opening in 2025
- Job descriptions
- 2025 election calendar
- Application procedures

# Offices up for election in the Spring of 2025

- ▶ **DP Vice President**
- ▶ **MYP Vice President**
- ▶ **Treasurer**
- ▶ **[Digital Content Coordinator]**

# More about the commitment

**Board Meetings** - the IBMA Board meets the day before each IBMA Coordinator meeting. These board meetings usually have a start time between 3-5pm. *(4 times per school year)*

**College Fair** - the IBMA Board usually has planning meetings prior to the College Fair. Board meetings take place the day before the fair and board members help with operating and closing up is expected. *(Saturday in September)*

**Networking** - VPs are responsible for coordinating the networking for their respective programs. *(several time a year with a focus on geographical balance)*

**Programing** - VPs are responsible for coordinating the programing needs for their respective programs at Coordinator meetings. *(4 times per school year)*

**Boot Camp** - VPs are responsible for working with Boot Camp leadership on identifying presenters for sessions related to their respective programs. *(Saturday in September or October)*

# Benefits for you and your school!

- ▶ Summer IB Conference of the Americas participation covered by IBMA (registration, hotel and airfare)
- ▶ Unique access to vendors and free resources for your school
- ▶ Influence of programming to support your school
- ▶ Advance preparation, information and resources for IB updates and program changes
- ▶ Frequent and direct communication with IB America staff

# Job description of the programme Vice Presidents

- ▶ Be knowledgeable about the current functions and regulations of the specific program.
- ▶ Work with the board and members of the program to define and execute the goals of the organization's program membership.
- ▶ Represent on the board the needs of the program.
- ▶ Lead program discussions in break-out sessions.
- ▶ Assess, advocate, and address the professional development and networking needs for that program.
- ▶ Assign someone to take minutes of the program meetings.
- ▶ Represent the organization in meetings and events that apply to the specific program.

# Job description of the IBMA Treasurer

- ▶ Attend board and coordinator meetings.
- ▶ Keep the organization's financial records including books of account.
- ▶ Handle all financial transactions approved by the elected officers.
- ▶ Organize all accounting and budgeting procedures for the coming year.
- ▶ Render financial statements to the elected officers, members, and others when required.



# Job description of the IBMA Digital Content Coordinator

- ▶ **Attend board and coordinator meetings.**
- ▶ **Maintain and coordinate the organization's digital presence, including website and social media**
- ▶ **Communicate content relevant to the IBMA membership.**
- ▶ **Maintain up-to-date information (i.e. membership list, IBMA events)**
- ▶ **Maintain compliance with the IB's Intellectual Property and Copyright Policy**
- ▶ **Work with the Treasurer to ensure Domain Registry and web space accounts are up to date.**
- ▶ **Ensure registration for domain names and web space shall be in the name of IB Mid-Atlantic.**

# 2025 IBMA ELECTION CALENDAR

MAR 3	MAR 17	MAR 20	MAR 27	MAR 28
Announce elections	Deadline to submit video	Voting begins (link opens and shared)	Voting ends (link closed)	Announce new officers

**By March 17**

**Record a  
brief video  
of yourself  
and post to  
Flipgrid.**

**Flipgrid**

NO EXPERIENCE using Flipgrid?

[Click Here](#)

IF YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE using  
Flipgrid, upload your video

[Click Here](#)

Wanna see Jones's sample video?

[Click Here](#)



**On March 20th**

**The IBMA membership will be provided links to watch the videos and vote for the open offices.**

**Voting will open via Survey Monkey (Link will be shared on March 20th)**

**On March 27th**

**The voting window closes with the new officers being named that week.**

IBMA Board positions open this election cycle:

- ▶ DP Vice President
- ▶ MYP Vice President
- ▶ Treasurer
- ▶ [Digital Content Coordinator]

May 29, 2025

**IBMA Board  
Meeting**

July

**The IB Global  
Conference in  
New Orleans, LA**

**July 15-17, 2025**

New Board Members  
- mark your calendars

- ▶ DP Vice President
- ▶ MYP Vice President
- ▶ Treasurer
- ▶ [Digital Content Coordinator

# Faculty Recognition Awards



- **Recognize one faculty member at your school who goes above and beyond in their commitment to your IB programme.**
- **Every coordinators meeting, attending coordinators can nominate a faculty member**
- **The IBMA Executive Board selects one winner per IB programme per coordinators meeting.**

# PYP Faculty Recognition Award





# MYP Faculty Recognition Award



- Tonya Johnson
- James Madison MS



# CP Faculty Recognition Award



- Adam Schwartz
- Watkins Mill High School



# DP Faculty Recognition Award



- **Christina Havlin**
- **King's Fork High School**



# Student T-Shirt Contest Winner

Ju Yeon Park, Grade 11

George C. Marshall High School

Matthew Axelrod, Coordinator



## May Coordinators Meeting:

- [National Building Museum](#)
- Friday, May 30, 2025

**Mission** The National Building Museum inspires curiosity about the world we design and build.

**Vision** The National Building Museum educates, entertains, and engages people about the built environment and challenges them to advocate for a sustainable and equitable future.

# Reminders:



## Student Excellence Awards

- **Nomination Deadline: February 28 (just the name - 1 student max per program in your school)**
- **Need Coordinators for Selection Committee**

## IBMA Board Elections

- **March**

## May Coordinators Meeting

- **May 30**
- **National Building Museum**



<https://tinyurl.com/IBMAexit>