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Staying Connected through your IB Association

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What is the role of a regional IB Association?

We are groups of IB World schools working together to support each other. **We are a separate entity from the IB Organization.**

Our goals are to:

- Encourage and organize professional exchange and support between IB World Schools in its membership.
- Promote the interests of its member IB World Schools.
- Provide equal opportunities for IB World Schools to become members and participate in its activities.
- Offer guidance and appropriate support to schools that approach the Association in relation to their interest in becoming an IB World School.
- Upon request by the IB Organization, provide views on relevant matters at IB meetings or in writing.
- Provide support for IB work on request from the IB Organization.



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Who are we?



Tennessee Association of IB World Schools

- 24 Member Schools
- 28 Programmes, *including PYP, MYP, IBCC, and DP*
- Events include:
 - ✓ Coordinator Meetings
 - ✓ Roundtables
 - ✓ Weekly Perspective

Mid-Atlantic Association of IB World Schools

- 160 Member Schools in *Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.*
- 195 Programmes, *including PYP, MYP, IBCC, and DP*
- Events include:
 - ✓ College Fair
 - ✓ Coordinator Meetings
 - ✓ Networking Sessions
 - ✓ Orientation Seminar
 - ✓ Summer Academy



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Collaboration is Key



Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

—Helen Keller



Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success.

- Henry Ford



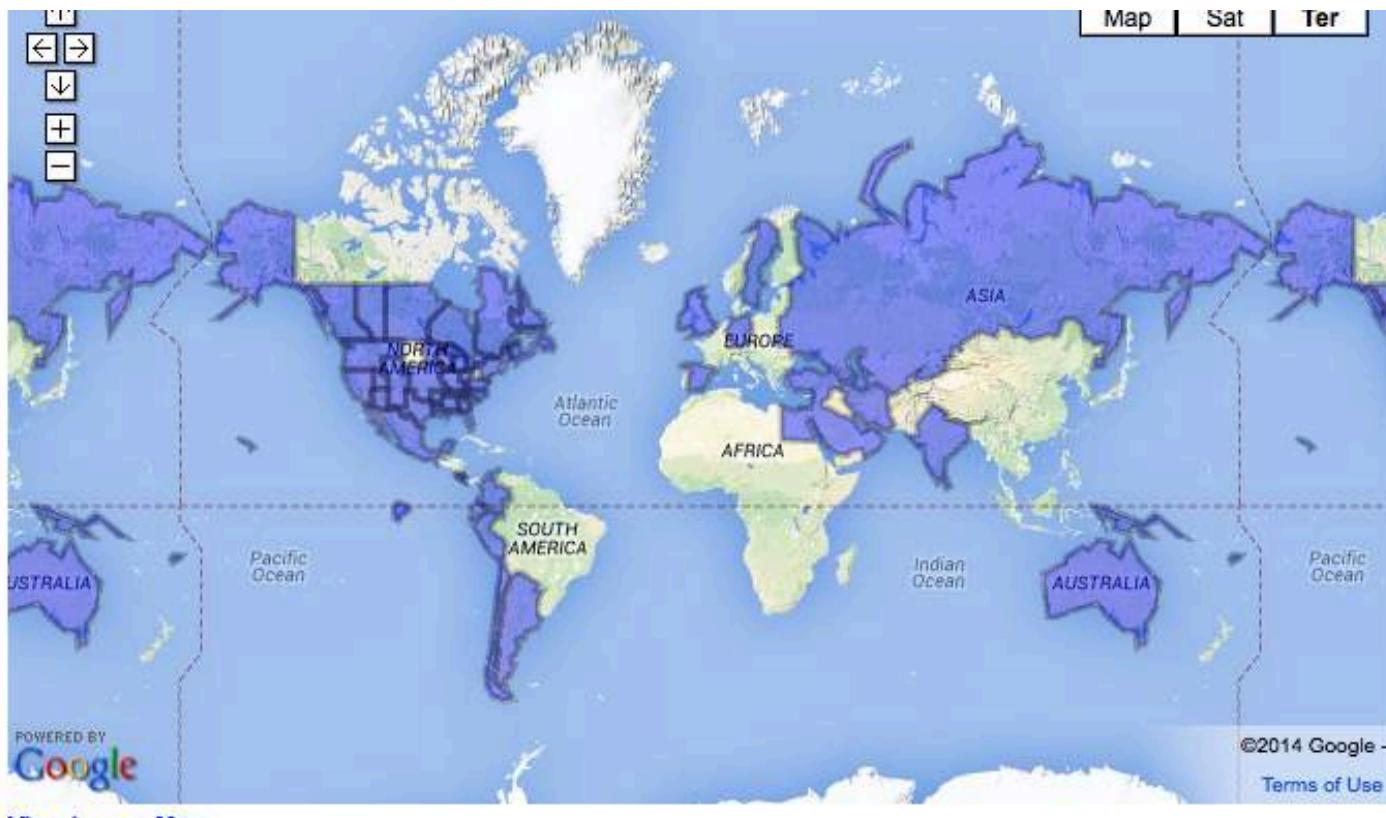
It is literally true that you can succeed best and quickest by helping others to succeed.

—Napoleon Hill



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Where are the IB Associations?





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Roundtables

What is the PYP? How is the PYP related to the MYP's new Global Contexts?	West End East Visit 2/6-2/7
HHS: IB DP Teacher meeting Monday, January 27 HHS Academy Showcase Tuesday, January 28 6:00 HLHS Academy Showcase Tuesday, February 18 6:00	

IB Advisory Board meeting on Wednesday, January 29 th at 4:15 in Boulevard cafeteria meeting room. TIBA roundtable 4/4.
IB Weekly Perspective #21 Food Waste. I wonder where this garbage can could be? The message 'spoke' to me. Can eliminating food waste help our planet environmentally? Could eliminating food waste help our planet's people? Such an interesting topic to question and debate. What are your thoughts?

Happy Lunar New Year! I have attached copies of previous years' IBWF.

Weekly Perspective

IB WEEKLY PERSPECTIVE I see, I think, I wonder		
		On the Nigerian flag below, the green symbolizes agriculture and the lush forests of Nigeria. The white stripe represents peace and unity. Is this flag truly representing this country at this time? Why or why not?
	What is the meaning of the word Islam?	
	#We were able to extract every Nigerian kidnapping in the database over the past quarter-century — 25,247 in all. GDELT, the Global Database of Events, Language and Tone, data shows that the number of kidnappings over the past three decades has risen from just two in 1983 to 3,608 in 2013. It's an increase so large that it's probably not solely the result of better reporting or the rise in (and online availability of) news reports on the topic. There have been 2,285 kidnappings in Nigeria in the first four months of 2014, suggesting that the problem is worsening. The recent mass abduction of schoolgirls took place April 15; the database records 151 kidnappings on that day and 215 the next."	
Emily.Mosley@MNPIS.org	MNPS IB Diploma Coach	Monday, May 12, 2014



Reflection

- **What does your association already do?**
 - ✓ Is your association addressing the IBO mission statement?
 - ✓ Does your association demonstrate the IB learner profile in its activities?
 - ✓ What does your association do for students?
- **What would you like for your association to do?**
 - ✓ Think beyond roundtables, sharing sessions and teacher initiatives.
 - ✓ Think about all of the things IB is about.



Creating a Visual Reflection

- Select your supplies
 - Kite pattern
 - 4 kite tails
 - 1 piece of yarn
- On the kite pattern write a reflection of your experience of this conference.
- Label the 4 tails: Teacher, Coordinator, Head of School, Association.
- On each of the tails complete each of these sentence starters, “I see” on one side and “I wonder” on the other side. The “I see” is something you learned at the ARC and the “I wonder” is a question you have.
- Put your kite together.



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To learn more....

- ✓ Reach out to **your local association**. Find information on the IB website: <http://www.ibo.org/iba/associations/>
- ✓ Contact **Bob Poole, Regional Development Specialist** for IBA: Bob.Poole@ibo.org
- ✓ Attend events organized by other associations. We are all here to support and learn from each other. **Collaboration is key!**
 - ❖ IB Workshops
 - ❖ Orientation Seminars
 - ❖ College Fairs & University Recognition Events