

IB Schools Australasia Membership Information and Application Form 2019/20

Dear Principal/ IB Coordinator,

Thank you for your interest in joining our association. As an Association of International Baccalaureate® World Schools, IB Schools Australasia has been formerly recognised by the IB and we work closely with the IB to advocate on behalf of our member schools. Associations can be an indispensable resource for both those schools new to the IB as well as well-established schools.

All Authorized, Candidate and Partner schools in Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Fiji are eligible to join IB Schools Australasia.

Purpose and Goals of IB Schools Australasia

The Association of Australasian IB Schools was established in the late 1980s when the International Baccalaureate® was relatively new to Australasia. The aim of the association when it began was to support Australasian schools in delivering the International Baccalaureate® Programmes and to provide a network of professional support, information and service.

Through 2016 AAIBS underwent a re-branding and are now known as IB Schools Australasia.

Today the association remains committed to the original purpose. Its goals are:

- To promote the IB programmes and support IB schools within Australasia
- To provide professional support for teachers and schools in areas not covered by the IB
- To liaise with the IBAP Regional Office in matters affecting the interest of IB Schools in Australasia
- To support the IB in promoting its programs in the Australasian region
- To advocate for IB programs with government and educational agencies/organisations in Australasia

Annual Membership Fees

The Annual membership fees are GST exempt and are as follows:

- Full Membership for *Authorised* schools is \$500.00AUD
- Associate Membership for recognised *Candidate* schools is \$200.00AUD
- Partner Membership for partner schools \$150.00AUD

Please note if you have multiple campuses and/or multiple IB programmes run at your school you are only required to pay the membership fee once for the highest authorization status received.

Our membership year is 1 April – 31 March.

Support for our Networks

Australasia is unique in the number and strength of our networks. IB Schools Australasia membership is not designed to replace membership to your local networks, but rather, we work with the local networks and the IB to ensure we represent and support the various IB groups and networks across Australasia.

It is important that these networks have a united voice in lobbying with Educational Authorities, Tertiary Admissions Centres, Universities and the IB.

We also provide a free presence on our website for Networks and advertise their professional learning opportunities through our newsletter, website and social media channels.

Benefits of Membership

Included below is a brief outline of our membership benefits for schools.

The following services are included as part of your Annual Membership Fee:

Employment Services

- Free of charge advertisement of school positions through our website <https://ibaaustralasia.org/careers>, Facebook, LinkedIn and Weekly Employment Opportunities Bulletin to assist schools with sourcing the best candidates for positions

- All financial member schools are entitled to list as many positions as required to support their IB programme/s.
- Traffic to our employment pages on our website is up 300%+ Q1/Q2

School Promotion through our website:

- Only member schools are listed on our website at: <https://ibaustralasia.org/schools>
- Our Schools pages received 68K views in 2018 Traffic to our Schools pages is up 29% (2018 compared to 2017)
- Our website is becoming a 'first stop' for parents seeking the details of IB Schools in our region.
- The SEO – Search Engine Optimisation (*the process of affecting the visibility of your School's website in a search engine's organic (unpaid) search results*) is enhanced
- The Domain/Page Authority (*the measure of the power of your school's website domain name in terms of search engine rankings*) is enhanced.
- Schools are welcome to share news stories on their IB programme/s for inclusion on our website at <https://ibaustralasia.org/articles> and through our newsletter and Facebook page.

Lobbying on behalf of Member Schools:

- We advocate and provide lobbying support as the need arises for our member schools in relation to the International Baccalaureate. Examples of this support include:
 - The introduction of Steven Wishart as the Relationships manager for Australasia (2016-2018)
 - Working with IB schools in Victoria to ensure that their median ATARs for their IB students are included in the upcoming *Schools Directory (2019)*
 - Advocating for the introduction of Te Reo as an *ab initio* Subject in the Diploma Programme for New Zealand Schools (2018)
 - Personal Project moderation issues for MYP Schools (2017)
 - Ongoing work with the IB to ensure that the IB is well, and fairly, represented in the media.

Certificates for Students and accompanying Awards Booklet Templates:

- Our Certificates for PYP, MYP, DP and CP students can be used for in school and state based awards ceremonies.
- In 2017, we introduced an Awards booklet template that could be and Network awards ceremonies to recognise student achievements.

Newsletters for Member Schools

- Our bi-monthly newsletters highlight developments and or opportunities for member schools.
- Our Newsletters can be sent to as many staff members in your schools as you require.

Results Release Media Coverage

- Each year IB Schools Australasia requests data from the IB regarding student numbers in each state to publicize the DP exams each November and support media coverage of exam commencement.
- This information is also used to create a series of articles on our website outlining the achievements of Australasian Diploma Programme schools and provided to the media where requested.

The following Membership benefits attract an additional pay per service charge:

Professional Learning

Our professional learning is designed specifically for our member schools and their needs. We design our events to enable schools to attend with minimum travel costs and affordable fees.

Our member schools receive discounted rates.

- ***The Annual Speaker Series*** - Now in its 5th Year the Speaker Series will bring Dr Jared Cooney Horvath to 6 cities (Adelaide, Auckland, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney) to present *The Learning Trajectory: From Surface to Deep to Transfer* For more information and to register please visit: <https://ibaustralasia.org/events>
- ***Bi-annual IB Leadership Symposium (NEW in 2019)*** – Melbourne, 23 August, 2019
- ***Bi-annual Conference (NEW in 2020)*** – Melbourne, 28-30 September, 2020

Courses for IB Students: The Student Speaker Series

Our Student Speaker Series provides in-school one off events for students to assist them in their IB journey.

- To learn more about our 2019 Events for DP Students please visit <https://ibaustralasia.org/events/76-2019-student-speaker-series-students-taking-action->

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Should you have any queries relating to membership of IB Schools Australasia, or if you have some feedback as to how IB Schools Australasia can further support your school please contact the IB Schools Australasia Executive Assistant, Rebecca Hammond by email at office@ibaustralasia.org or on her mobile +61 (0)407 325 735.

We look forward to working with you to make 2019 a very successful year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ashley Coats', written in a cursive style.

Mr Ashley Coats
Chair, IB Schools Australasia

Membership Application Form 2019/20

To join IB Schools Australasia please complete the Application and return the completed *Application Form* by email to: Rebecca Hammond, Executive Assistant, IB Schools Australasia at office@ibaustralasia.org

or

By post to:

IB Schools Australasia, PO Box 823, Heathmont VIC 3135

Upon receipt your school's Authorization status will be checked and your school will be provided with a membership number and an invoice issued for your membership fees.

School Contact Details:		
School Name:		
School Address:		
City:	State:	Postcode:
Country:		
School Phone Number:		
Purchase Order Number (please include if required by your school):		

Principal Contact Details:	
Principal Name:	
Principal or Headmaster:	
Principal Email Address:	
Principal's EA's/Office email address	

Programme/ IB Coordinator details:

Directions: Please ensure details are completed as appropriate for your school

PYP Programme	
<i>(please tick as appropriate)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> authorized <input type="checkbox"/> candidate <input type="checkbox"/> NA	
Coordinator Name:	
Coordinator Email:	
Coordinator Phone:	
MYP Programme:	
<i>(please tick as appropriate)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> authorized <input type="checkbox"/> candidate <input type="checkbox"/> NA	
Coordinator Name:	
Coordinator Email:	
Coordinator Phone:	
DP Programme:	
<i>(please tick as appropriate)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> authorized <input type="checkbox"/> candidate <input type="checkbox"/> NA	
Coordinator Name:	
Coordinator Email:	
Coordinator Phone:	

