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National Academy Foundation Collaborates with International Baccalaureate to Prepare Students for College and Careers

Dear Coordinator,

The National Academy Foundation (NAF) is collaborating with International Baccalaureate (IB) to offer IB's new International Baccalaureate Career-related Certification (IBCC) to NAF students currently enrolled in a school offering the IB Diploma Programme. IB and NAF will also work together to develop college, university, and employer recognition as well as accreditation opportunities for the combined NAF/IBCC model.

With the integration of IBCC into the current NAF model, students will be given the opportunity to combine an IB program with their NAF career oriented elective courses to receive this additional certification. The IBCC uses the academic principles of the IB to effectively unite career and college readiness.

IBCC's career-related courses will complement the NAF curriculum and provide an added benefit to academies by offering an additional form of certification from the traditional diploma requirements. The initial offering of this credential is targeted to schools that are already working with both IB and NAF and will help streamline their work. IB and NAF plan to expand the collaboration to include new academies and schools where either IB or NAF is currently in place.

To learn more about the application process, please visit our website at www.ibo.org/ibcc/apply/ or contact Natasha Deflorian, Outreach Services Associate, at natasha.deflorian@ibo.org or by phone at +1 301 202 3102.

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