

ILLINOIS MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE ACADEMY

IMSA: INNOVATING STEM EDUCATION.



IMSA MISSION.

The mission of IMSA, the world's leading teaching and learning laboratory for imagination and inquiry, is to ignite and nurture creative, ethical, scientific minds that advance the human condition.



INNOVATION IN EDUCATION.

Takes on 2 forms:

- 1. Sustaining.
- 2. Disruptive.



The IMSA Story

6 Examples of Disruptive Innovation

DISRUPTION #1. A NATION AT RISK.

Problem Identified:

1983 Report. A Nation At Risk:

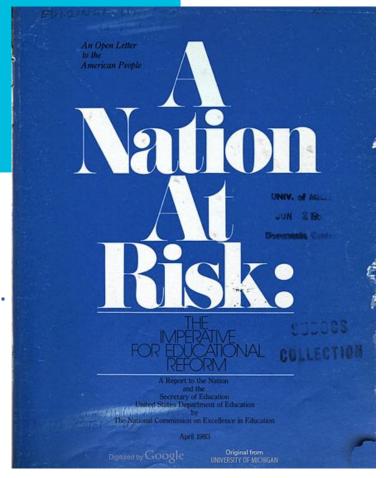
The Imperative for Educational Reform.

Governor Thompson's Question.

Dr. Leon Lederman's Response:

Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy





WAVE OF CHANGE.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead



DISRUPTION #2. IMSA. CREATION.

Legislative Mandate 1:

"The primary role of the Academy shall be to offer a uniquely challenging education for students talented in the areas of mathematics and science."

Legislative Mandate 2:

"The Academy shall also carry a responsibility to stimulate further excellence for all Illinois schools in mathematics and science."







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THE ACADEMY. AT A GLANCE.

Public, residential learning laboratory for grades 10-12

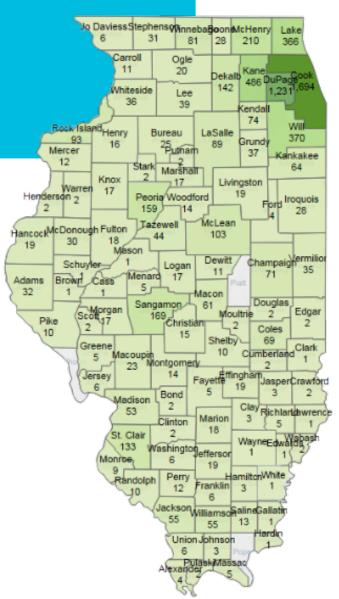
650 residential students annually.

32.2 Composite ACT Score. SAT: 688 ERW & 728 Math (mean)

195 seniors; 46 National Merit Semi-Finalists

Ranked Top High School in the Nation by WSJ, Newsweek, Niche.





COURSES. MATH. SCIENCE.

2017-2018 Course Catalog

16 of 35

required classes for graduation are in math and science. (Each class is .5 credit.)

Science 4.0 credit minimum; All science courses have a lab component

Core Courses [Sophomore]

Methods in Scientific Inquiry Scientific Inquiries—Biology Scientific Inquiries—Chemistry Scientific Inquiries-Physics

Biology Electives

Evolution, Biodiversity and Ecology Microbes and Disease

Molecular and Cellular Biology Physiology and Disease

Seminar in Biology-Development

Chemistry Electives

Advanced Chemistry-Structure and Properties

Advanced Chemistry-Chemical Reactions

Biochemistry

Environmental Chemistry Organic Chemistry I Organic Chemistry II

Physics Electives

Biophysics Computational Science

Engineering Modern Physics Physics-Sound and Light

Physics-Calculus-based Mechanics Physics-Calculus-based Electricity

and Magnetism

Planetary Science

Mathematics and Computer Science 3.0 credit minimum

Calculus Core Courses

AB Calculus I AB Calculus II

BC Calculus I

BC Calculus II

BC Calculus III

BC Calculus I/II

BC Calculus II/ III

Pre-Calculus Core Courses

Geometry

Mathematical Investigations I/II

Mathematical Investigations II

Mathematical Investigations III Mathematical Investigations IV

Pre-Calculus Electives

Discrete Mathematics

Graph Theory with Applications

Mathematical Modeling

Modern Geometries

Problem Solving

Statistical Experimentation and Inference Statistical Exploration and Description

Post-Calculus Electives

Advanced Problem Solving Advanced Topics in Mathematics

Differential Equations

Introduction to Algebraic Structures I and 2

Multi-Variable Calculus

Number Theory Theory of Analysis

Computer Science Core Course [Sophomore]

Computer Science Inquiry

Computer Science Electives

Advanced Programming

Computer Seminar-Advanced Web Technologies

Computer Seminar-Cyber Security and Android App Programming

Object Oriented Programming

Robotics Programming

Web Technologies



More at imsa.edu.

COURSES.

English 3.0 credit minimum

Core Courses [Sophomore]

Literary Explorations I Literary Explorations II

Core Courses [Junior]

Literary Explorations III

Junior/Senior Electives

Creative Writing Workshop Graphic Novels-Image and Text

Modern Theater

Speculative Fiction Studies Topics in World Literature-Modern World Fiction

Topics in World Literature— Victorian Fiction

Senior Electives

African American Studies Gender Studies

The Idea of the Individual

Shakespeare

Tolkien—Language and Literature

Social Science 2.5 credit minimum

Core Courses [Sophomore]

American Studies

Core Courses [Junior]

The World in the Twentieth Century

Junior Electives

Ancient World Religion and Philosophy Art, Worldview and Society in History Conflict in World History

History of Cultural Contact

Senior Electives

African American Studies History of Astronomy History of Biology

History of Philosophy

History of Technology and Culture Modern Genocide and Mass Violence Political Theory

Rise of the Atlantic World 1492-1815 Topics in Current Affairs

United States Government and the Constitution

World Languages 2.0 credit minimum

A student must complete two years of world language study, with one year at level II or higher

French I French II French III French IV French V

German I German II German III Japanese III

Mandarin Chinese I Mandarin Chinese II Mandarin Chinese III

Russian I Russian II Russian III Spanish II Spanish III

Spanish IV Spanish V

Fine Arts 0.5 credit minimum

Music

Chamber Choir Chamber Strings

Concert Band Concert Choir Music Appreciation

Music Theory String Orchestra Wind Ensemble

Visual Arts

Art Design

Drawing and Illustration Observational Drawing

Printmaking

Wellness Education 1.0 credit minimum

Core Course [Sophomore]

Moving and Learning

Wellness Electives

Dance

Movement and Relaxation Net and Wall Games Outdoor and Indoor Games Independent Learning

Independent Study

Student Inquiry and Research (SIR) Total Applied Learning for Entrepreneurs

(TALENT)



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GRADING.

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Collaborative exploration and discovery.

No grade point averages.

No class averages.

No class rank.

No valedictorian.





INQUIRY BASED.

"Wise world shaping requires that our students think in *decidedly different* ways. This is the cognitive context within which the imperative to reimagine and redesign STEM academies now resides."

Stephanie Pace Marshall, Ph.D.



"Decidedly different learners."



STUDENT INQUIRY AND RESEARCH. (SIR)

A process where students are matched with research mentors investigating projects of interest to students then guided through their projects by a cooperative effort of IMSA and the research mentor.

Sample SIR Student Projects

Cancer Research.
Motivation in Education.
Geoengineering.
Water Filtration.
Great Terror.
Renewable Energy.
Irish immigration.
Swarm Engineering.
Epidemiology.
Genocide.
Organic Light Emitting Diodes.





SIR REQUIREMENTS

Authentic research experiences on and off campus.

Requirements:

- Proposal
- Investigation
- Progress report

- Abstract
- Investigation paper
- Presentation at IMSAloquium



WHAT DOES AN "I" DAY LOOK LIKE?



10th graders

Navigation. LEAD. MSI (Methods of Scientific Inquiry). Study Groups.

11th and 12th graders

SIR (Student Inquiry & Research). TALENT (Total AppLied ENTrepreneurship). LEAD Leadership. Independent Study.



LEAD. SERVE.

Students Learn Through Leadership.

200 hours of service required for graduation.

Develops students' personal, social & academic skills.

LEAD - Leadership Education Development.

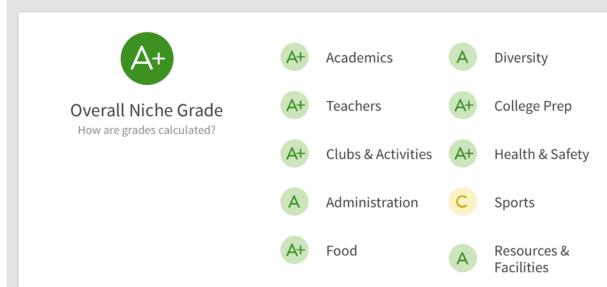
Social Entrepreneurship. Public Policy. Research Development.





TOP 10 HIGH SCHOOLS. NICHE.COM







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IMSA PROFESSIONAL FIELD SERVICE.

Award-winning IMSA FUSION

Partnership with Flinn Scientific

60,000 Hours of STEM Professional Development in the past 5 Years.

91% of Educators demonstrated enhanced classroom teaching methods.

Total Statewide Student Outreach: 76,019.

Total State-wide outreach 14,758 registered students with complete address details (shown by county).





DISRUPTION #3. 2007 IMSA STRATEGIC PLAN.

Catalyst for reimagining innovation at IMSA.

2 key outcomes:

- 1. Build a physical innovation space.
- 2. Build a virtual innovation space.



DISRUPTION #4. IMSA KIDS INSTITUTE. 1997-2012

Where student ideas take flight.

Science Explorers
Real Science
IMSA on Wheels







DISRUPTION #5. 2016 - ? UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.



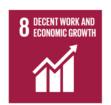
Seeing problems as possibilities.







































THE GIFT.



2013 lead gift of \$1M from IMSA alumnus and YouTube co-founder, Steve Chen and wife Jamie to build an innovation center at IMSA.





DESIGN.

Online input.

PB & J Innovation.

Design Charrette.

IMSA Intersessions.



Creating a "third space."





STUDY BEST PRACTICE.





This past week! I have had the privilege of meeting some of the most funny, cool, friendly, brilliant, avesome high schoolers ever. Thank you for a fantastic trip around the Bay Area. I'm sure! learned as much from all of you as you did about the tech industry (hopefully). Please continue to be amazing.

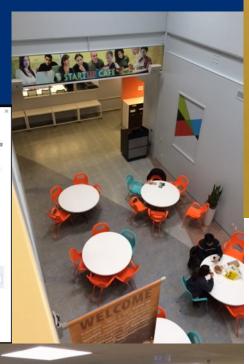
Also, many thanks to the friends that made the trip happen. I owe all of you so much: Britta, Summer, Kevin, Stephanie, Royce, Emily, Rajeev, Christopher, Rebecca, Claudia, Ben, Jasmine, Adam, Jeffrey, Peter, Kyle, and Jeff. — with Leon Wang, Shreya Shanker, Rhea Harsoor and 13 others.

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Silicon Valley. Illinois. Boston.





DISRUPTION #6: IN2. Steve and Jamie Chen Center for Imagination & Inquiry.



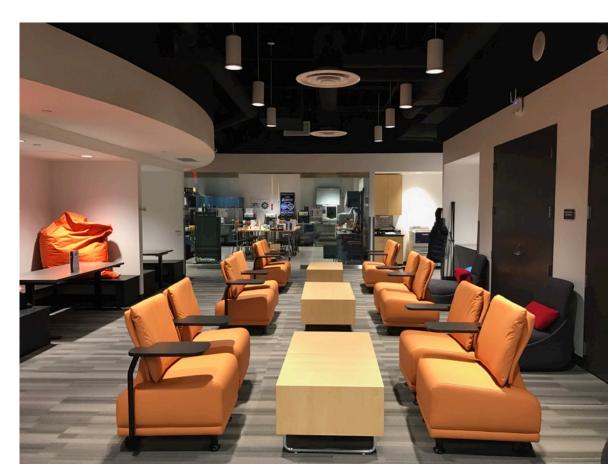
"IN2 is a manifestation of STEM learning.

Cultivating and catalyzing innovation.

It is the new engagement paradigm."

Stephanie Pace Marshall, Ph.D.





IN2 FUNDING. A START-UP WITHIN A STATE AGENCY?

Revenue Streams

- Donations
- Memberships
- Sponsorships
- Program fees



Expenses

- Salaries
- Equipment
- Program supplies





ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

Students as developers, not just consumers.

Internships.
TALENTED.
ThINk Cafe.
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Camps.





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Students as developers, not just consumers.

First
Attempt
In
Learning

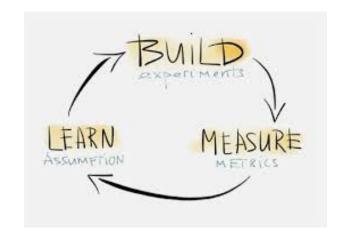
It all begins with a pain point.

And failure is key.





ENTREPRENEURSHIP.



How do we turn students into creators?

According to Eric Ries (2011) "Empower them with entrepreneurial thinking – teach them Lean Start Up methodology."

Build. Measure. Learn. (Iterate)





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BOSTASSESSMENT

Builder.

Opportunist.

Specialist.

Innovator.



Discover	Your BOSI	DNA.	What's Your	Current Role
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Business owner with full-time employees

b Startup founder/Co-founder

c Self employed/Solopreneur

d Soon-to-be entrepreneur

e Employee

f Student interested in entrepreneurship

VENTURES 2 VULTURES

Mind-stretching.
Creativity.
Pitch Practice.

VENTURES TO VULTURES

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Bubble







VENTURES 2 VULTURES

Partner Play.

VENTURES TO VULTURES

Digital MISATALENT

VENTURES TO VULTURES







Reset





MAKERS. INVENTORS.

"The 'maker movement' leads to a new pedagogy – 'Tinkquiry' – Tinkering + Inquiry."

Peter Skillen







THE ARTS INSPIRE CREATIVITY IN STEM.

Music.

Theatre.

Photography.

Video.

CAD.

Gaming.

Virtual Reality.







MAKERSPACE EDUCATION.

Interdisciplinary.

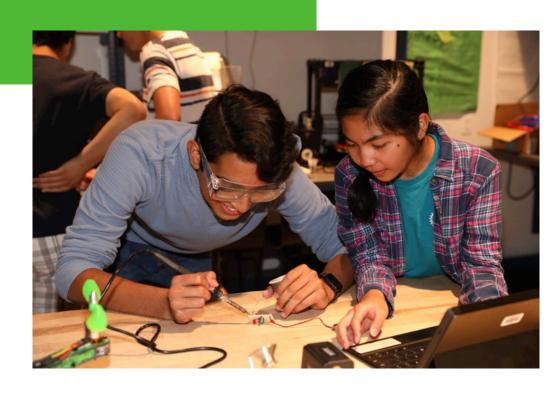
Class projects.

Personal projects.

Club projects.

SIR/Inquiry projects.

Professional Development.







MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS.

Try-it Tuesdays.

Demonstration Bench.

Fieldtrips.

FunShops.

Summer Camps.

Open Making.







PARTNERSHIPS.

Creating "Win Wins" for education and industry.

zSpace virtual reality.







WELCOME TO THE (UN)REAL WORLD.

Passion driven learning.

Inspired. Motivated.

Team work.

Deliverables.

Service.







GRANTS.

MEET MALIK.

External funding
Supports Internal
Innovation and turning
student (and faculty/
staff) ideas IN2 reality.







SPONSORS.

Fermilab Fall Seed Harvest.

Green Apple Day of Service.

Community Service.

Field Science.





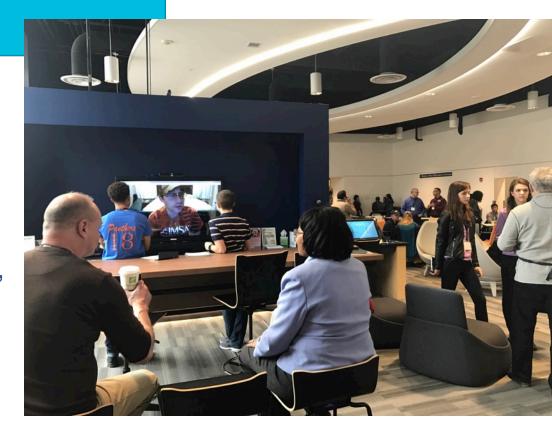


PROBLEM. SOLVING. PROGRAMS.

Hackathon.

2017 "Get the Lead Out"

2018 "Live to Eat, Eat to Live"



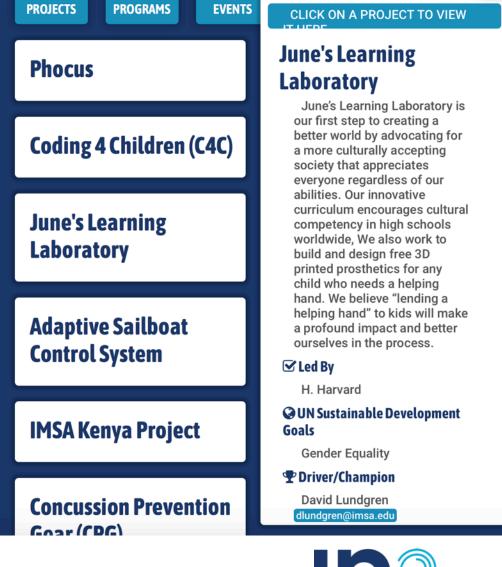




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IN2 Project Teams.

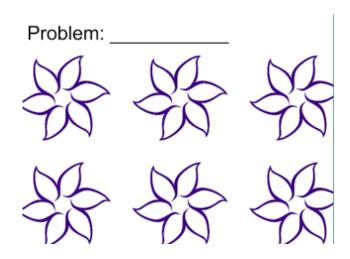
Open and closed.
Teams tackle real world
problems. Together.

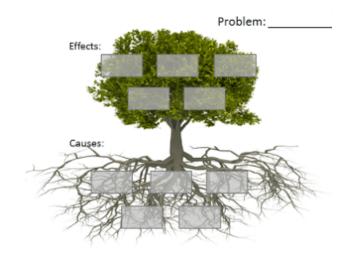






CREATIVITY EXERCISE.





LOTUS FLOWER.

Start by putting a problem in the center.

Add contributing factors or related items to the petals.





IN2 PROGRAMS: GIRLS IN2 STEM.

STEM mentor pipeline

Middle School.

High School.

Industry.







IN2 PROGRAMS: TEEN STEM CAFE.

Sponsored by Caterpillar

Partnership with Northern Illinois University







IN2 PROFESSIONAL DEVLOPMENT.

Contract for Services

Innovation space design.
Makerspace inservice.
Entrepreneurship.
Design Thinking.







How do we know?

MEASUREMENT.

Filled programs.

Turnstyle counts.

Pre/post program surveys.

Interviews.

Applicants to IMSA.

Accepted to IMSA.

Testimonials.

Mentor reference letters.

2017 Chicago Innovation Award!







WHAT SKILLS ARE NEEDED IN 21ST CENTURY LEARNERS?

I Say...
Call the
"M.E.D.I.C"

M Making.

Entrepreneurial Thinking.

Design Thinking.

Information Fluency. Inquiry.

C Connected Learning. Collaboration. Communication. Critical Thinking.





THE FUTURE.



"The future prosperity and sustainability of our global community resides in igniting, nurturing, and connecting our children's creative and imaginative genius in STEM to the needs of the world."

Stephanie Pace Marshall, Ph.D IMSA Founding President and President Emerita





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