The Value of Accreditation by an ICAISA Member Association

Accrediting associations recognized by ICAISA provide accreditation programs that are based on shared practices and have a transformative impact on more than 3,500 independent schools, two million students, and 120 countries across the globe.

The accreditation programs of ICAISA members share these principles:

**FOCUS ON THE FUTURE**
Accreditation that serves two functions:
- Assesses compliance with association standards
- Encourages school improvement through discovery, dialogue, and commitment to preparing students for the challenges of the future

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL CENTERED**
Aligned to the unique mission, purpose, and context of each school, while providing a unified framework to advance excellence.

**ROBUST PROCESS**
The accreditation process requires the school to prepare a comprehensive self-study and host an on-site visit by impartial, highly-trained volunteer evaluators. This peer-review process is unmatched in its depth, breadth, quality, content, and relevance.

**COMMUNITY STRENGTH**
The accrediting associations that make up the global ICAISA network share ideas, perspectives, and approaches to leverage our collective knowledge for the benefit of each member association.

**ABOUT ICAISA**
The International Council Advancing Independent School Accreditation (ICAISA) is the global leader in independent school accreditation. Inspiring transformation and upholding excellence, the member associations of ICAISA ensure quality and accountability through accreditation of independent schools across the globe. Becoming an ICAISA recognized association serves a vital role in driving excellence in education.

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