

*Attention All FUSION Partner Schools...*



***FUSION Program Surveys*** are posted online at

<https://www3.imsa.edu/programs/fusion/surveys> ***PRINCIPAL, TEACHER,***

***PARENT and STUDENT SURVEYS*** are due ***May 1, 2011***. Please note that principal surveys have been reinstated this year and will be an ongoing and critical component of IMSA FUSION's program evaluation going forward. PARENT surveys (available in English and Spanish; online and PDF form) are due ***May 15, 2011***. Having parents take the survey during your year-end parent event is a TERRIFIC way to get the surveys completed by as many parents as possible.

***Have you submitted your Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and program fees of \$750 for 2011-12?*** Information and

MoU's for program continuation can be found on our website at:

<https://www3.imsa.edu/programs/fusion/currentenroll>. If you are running two programs in your school, you are eligible for discounted fees. ALL MoU's and fees are due by ***April 30, 2011***. Contact Project Director, Jami Breslin at 630/907-5016 with questions regarding program continuation and discounted fees.

***NEW POP (Pedagogy, Orientation and Planning)***

***SYMPOSIUM for all FUSION teachers*** will be held on ***June 9, 2011*** and ***July 7, 2011 at IMSA*** and on ***July 12 in Springfield*** (IEA/NEA building) from ***8:00 AM to 3:30 PM***. Per Mary Lou Lipscomb and Renee Anderson's recent emails, you will RSVP to the POP you plan to attend on our ***UPCOMING YEAR-END WEBINARS in MAY***. ***PD calendars for 2011-12 are coming very soon!***

***ATTENTION ALL FUSION PRINCIPALS*** We welcome ALL principals to attend the POP Symposium with your FUSION teacher team, and will have a mandatory Administrator Conference for all first and second year FUSION principals running concurrently with the POP workshop from 8:00 AM to 10:45 AM. We encourage all FUSION principals to attend the full POP Symposium for exciting experiences in inquiry-based

*teaching and learning and IMSA FUSION. Please RSVP to Jami Breslin, Project Director, [jbreslin@imsa.edu](mailto:jbreslin@imsa.edu) to let us know which POP Symposium you will be attending.*

***What's happening at IMSA....*** The **IMSA Great Minds Program®** was launched in 1998 by IMSA Founder, Resident Scholar, and Nobel Laureate, Dr. Leon Lederman. It provides IMSA students and faculty, Illinois educators and students, and the public with opportunities to learn from, interact with and be inspired by the “greatest minds” of our time. The Great Minds Program at the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy will present a book launch event: *Quantum Physics for Poets* at IMSA on Thursday, April 28, 2011 from 1:30-3:00 PM. We'd love to have our FUSION teachers attend. If you are interested, please contact Margaret Hernandez; [mhernandez@imsa.edu](mailto:mhernandez@imsa.edu), for more information.

The Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy SEAMS and Summer Programs offer tremendous opportunities for Illinois students. Please learn more and share this news with your parents and students by visiting the links below.

**SEAMS:** <https://www3.imsa.edu/admissions/multicultural/multiculturalPrograms>

**SUMMER PROGRAMS:** <https://www3.imsa.edu/programs/SummeratIMSA>

Thank you for all you do and for your partnership with IMSA FUSION!

Our best,

THE FUSION TEAM