

 **iEARN** 1988-2012

Learning with the world, not just about it ...

Teaching Peace

for more than 20 years

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What Is iEARN?

iEARN (International Education and Resource Network)

is the world's largest non-profit global network that empowers teachers and young people to work together using the Internet and other new technologies to engage in collaborative educational projects that both enhance learning and make a difference in the world.

iEARN is:

- a safe and structured environment in which young people can communicate
- an opportunity to apply knowledge in service-learning projects
- a community of educators and learners making a worldwide difference as part of the educational process

What are the Goals of iEARN?

The vision and purpose of iEARN is to enable young people to undertake projects designed to make a meaningful contribution to the health and welfare of the planet and its people.

GOALS AND PRINCIPLES

1. To develop friendly relations among youth of all nations based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples;
2. To encourage youth from all countries to learn and work co-operatively and collaboratively using telecommunications and other technology, to strengthen universal peace, to identify and take active part in resolving global problems facing the world;
3. To promote and encourage respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, culture, or religion;
4. To facilitate identification and sharing the different but complementary experiences of educational, academic and other national organizations with enduring educational infrastructures, and traditions throughout the world;
5. To share high-quality educational and other resources available in individual Member centres;
6. To provide a global infrastructure for a conceptual and action-based educational network that is open to all;
7. To share and transfer telecommunications technology, teaching methods and other resources with youth organizations, schools or individuals wishing to achieve the iEARN purpose and goals;
8. To assist in establishing training and support programs in each Centre;
9. To expand the network of financially and operationally sustainable iEARN Centres throughout the globe;
10. To work with umbrella organizations, academic bodies, universities, non-government organizations, and governments to establish a global community of concerned organizations and citizens with the express purpose of supporting the youth of the world in developing and implementing educational and humanitarian projects, especially projects of change and healing for the health and welfare of the planet;
11. To develop and maintain high-quality educational innovation;
12. To raise funds through local and global funding agreements to support these programs and goals.

iEARN:

A Pioneer and Leader in the Field of Educational Telecommunications

In 1988 the Copen Family Foundation, under the leadership of Peter Copen, linked 12 schools in Moscow with 12 schools in New York State in the New York/Moscow Schools Telecommunications Project in a pioneering demonstration that education could be enhanced and the quality of life on the planet improved if young people were to have the opportunity to use telecommunications technologies to engage in collaborative projects. Working with the New York State Education Department and the Soviet Academy of Sciences, students worked in both English and Russian on curriculum-based projects designed by participating teachers.

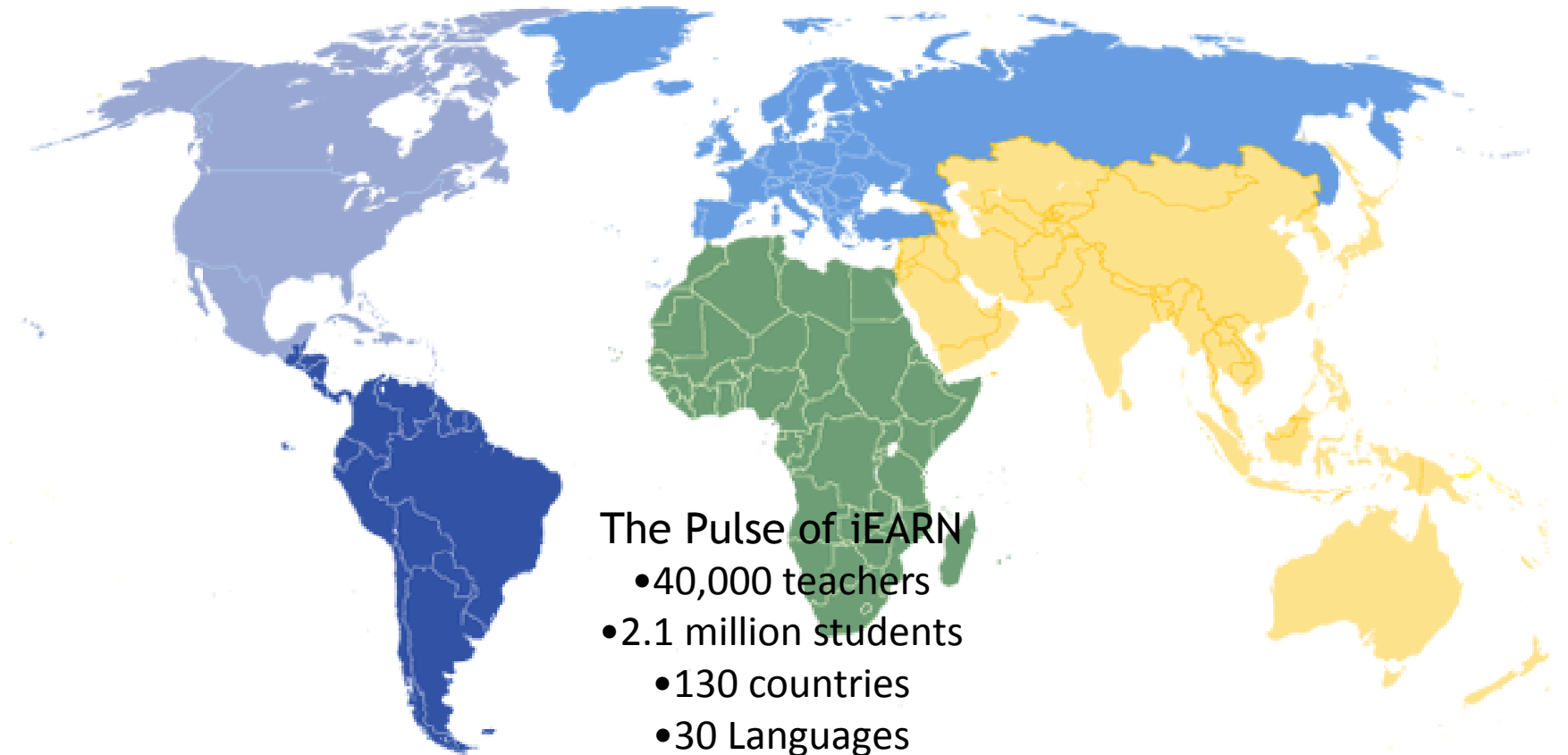
An independent evaluation of this demonstration project noted:

- students discussed political/social issues and international events more frequently than a control group
- students read more at home, more news magazines and books by authors from other countries
- the project impacted students' awareness and understanding of international issues and current events
- enrollments in second language courses increased as students wrote for an authentic audience

Based on teacher reactions to the exchange in 1988, iEARN expanded to nine countries in 1990. In each country a "Center" was created to provide training and support for teachers who were at the cutting edge of educational change.

One teacher participant told evaluators that it "was the most dynamic and rewarding educational experience I have had in my 22 years of teaching".

iEARN is in its 24th year with organizations in 130 countries.



Find partners who share the vision that education can be enhanced and the world made better through collaborative uses of technology.

Opportunities with iEARN

Professional Development

Projects

International Community

Friendships

iEARN offers both **face-to-face workshops** and **online professional development courses** for educators seeking to integrate online global project work into their classrooms. Since 1988, iEARN has equipped more than 100,000 educators with the technical, collaborative and organizational skills needed to participate fully in a global, collaborative Internet-based learning environment.

Professional Development

iEARN workshops focus on:

- Developing project-based curricula that integrate national educational standards and integrate 21st century learning skills;
- Addressing how specific technology-based project work meets the curriculum and classroom teaching needs of each participating member;
- Building the skills needed to engage in collaborative activities, such as peer review, team-building, joining regional and international learning communities, computer access scheduling;
- Identifying and introducing connective technologies that are appropriate for the technology situation of the participating educators, such as secure WWW-based forums, global exchanges of art, photographs and other graphic images, videoconferencing, and chatting in a safe environment;
- Creating specific international links with individual educators in other countries with whom to work on age-appropriate online collaborative projects; and
- Exploring after school and student club options for online project-based learning
- For more information about scheduling an iEARN workshop, please contact us by phone at 212-870-2693 or at workshops@us.earn.org .

iEARN Face-to-Face
Professional Development Workshops

- An online course program open to K-12 teachers worldwide.
- Developed in 2001, iEARN-USA's online course program guides K-12 educators in evaluating global projects, and aligning them with state and/or national curriculum standards as part of an integrated project plan. Along with course mates from around the world, educators choose a project to participate in, develop this topic for students and make plans to share student work via iEARN's password-protected interactive project spaces.
- Through this small-scale implementation of a project, course participants see first-hand how to incorporate global project work into their classroom and curriculum. Best of all, participants meet and network with colleagues around the world who can make teaching and learning more fun and interesting throughout year.
- Courses offered in English.

Consider joining with other teachers in your school to work on cross-curricular projects.

iEARN-USA

Online Professional Development



About

iEARN-USA enables young people to make meaningful contributions to the health and welfare of the planet and its people. Through iEARN, youth from over 130 countries use the Internet and digital media to collaborate on educational projects. [Learn More >](#)

Online Projects

Give your students projects facilitated by teachers.

Professional Development

Get the resources you need. Choose from our professional development opportunities.

Special Events

Connect with teachers and students from around the world at our special events.

For more information, and to register, go to <http://us.iearn.org/>



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Get the resources you need to integrate an international dimension into your curriculum.
Choose from our menu of webinars, online courses, workshops and multimedia tools.



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iEARN Online Courses are designed to assist educators with how to integrate global online project work into their teaching.

Art is the international language
of peace and a natural partner
with iEARN.

There are projects designed specifically for the Visual and Performing Arts. However, every project in iEARN is about art if you allow it to be and there is an art component in all projects.

Every project can be adapted and become almost anything you want it to be.



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Give your students a safe, global experience through 300 thematic projects. Designed and facilitated by teachers and students, our projects can be integrated with standards.



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iEARN projects are designed and facilitated by educators and students worldwide, and result in a range of collaborative final "products".

[A A Vision Art Miles Mural Project](#) [B Beauty Of The Beasts Bridge of Generations Building Global Relationships through News Bullying Project](#) [C Calligraphic Arts Children's Rights CIVICS: Youth Volunteerism and Service Connecting Math to Our Lives](#) [D Daffodil and Tulip Project Debunk Stereotypes Dolls for Computers](#) [E Early Peoples Symbols Eco Smart Electronic School Magazine Emerging Youth Leaders Eradication of Malaria Eye To Eye Project](#) [F Finding Solutions to Hunger Folk Costumes Around the Globe FolkTales/Storytelling: Past and Present Food for Thought: Recipe Book Friends Book: Lets go.. together! Future Citizen Project Future Teachers](#) [G Gardening Projects: "Tub Gardens" and "ANIA Children's Land/ Tierra de Niños"](#) [Get to Know Others Give Us Wings to Fly Global Art: Images of Caring Good Deeds](#) [H Harmony 4 Humanity Heart to Heart Helping Youth Say No to Gun Violence Historic African Women Leaders Holiday Card Exchange](#) [I International Intercultural Mural Exchange \(IIME\)](#) [K Kindred \(Family History\) Project](#) [L Laws of Life: Virtues Project Learning Circles • General Overview Listen to the Walls Talking Local History Project](#) [M Machinto - HIROSHIMA and Today Magical Moments Around the World Marriage Customs Around the World Moon Observation Project My City and Me My Country My Country Flag My Dream World My Hero Project My Identity, Your Identity My Mother, Your Mother My Name Around the World Project My School, Your School My Stamp](#) [N Narnia and CS Lewis National Crops in the World Natural Disaster Youth Summit 2012 Natural Disaster Youth Summit Teachers Forum NSLI](#) [O OF2 - Our Footprints, Our Future One Brick at a Time Project One Day in the Life One Right, One People Origami Project Our Rivers, Our World](#) [P Pen Friends Product in a Bag \(YIEP: Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Program\) Public Art](#) [R Russian: Сам себе спасатель \(Lifesavior Project\)](#) [S Sandwatch School Uniform Exchange Show your story. Diffuse the conflict. Side by Side Six Common Objects, Six Billion Possibilities Solar Cooking Project Special Place Students Unlimited](#) [T Tagging My World Talking Kites All Over the World The Magic of Water The Seventh Art: Promoting values and behavior The Teddy Bear Project The Way We Play To Dam or Not to Dam \(rivers\), That is the Question Together With Birds](#) [U UNESCO World Heritage Sites](#) [V Voyage Project \(Volunteer-Of-Youth Age Project\)](#) [W We Are Teenagers World We Live In \(WWLi\) World Youth News Write On Project Writing a Joint Global Novel](#) [Y Young Women in ICT YouthCaN Environmental Project](#)

Projects

Meet Others in iEARN

Two good places to start in your visit to the iEARN Forums are:

1. Teachers Forum

A place for teachers to meet, talk, and make announcements. It is also a place to share initial project ideas in order to find partners. New teachers are encouraged to introduce themselves here.

2. Youth Forum

Here, young people can meet each other, share ideas and topics of interest, and discuss ways they can work together.

The Pulse of iEARN



International Community

Teachers Forum - A Place to Meet Colleagues














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If you would like to participate in this forum, you are encouraged to respond to existing forum messages first. Click on any message below or inside a folder to open and read a discussion thread. Then, to post a response, scroll to the bottom of the page and click Add: Post Message. You can also "reply" to a specific message within a discussion. To add a new message in the forum, scroll to the bottom of the page and click Add: Discussion. You may also attach digital media to your message by clicking "Attach a file" on the Add Discussion page. The media files will automatically be sent to the project's "Album."

When posting to the forums, please include your Country and School Name in your message.

Teachers Lounge Chat Room

| Mark as Read

Title	New Msgs	Author	Items	Latest Msg
▶  New to IEARN	 MARK AS READ 	Crystal_Tejera 	3	Hi Mr.Crystal Tejera... - Ali_Mosiead  : 15 Feb 2012 9:22 pm
▶  A Special Regard	 MARK AS READ 	Ali_Mosiead 	5	hi mr. Salim Alkaff ... - Ali_Mosiead  : 15 Feb 2012 8:23 pm
▶  a good idea	 MARK AS READ 	Nahla_Aluntasir 	4	Dear Ms.Nahla, it`s... - Salem_Alkaff  : 15 Feb 2012 6:04 pm
▶  Many thanks	 MARK AS READ 	Nagat_Algunaid 	3	Dear Ms Nagat, iEAR... - Salem_Alkaff  : 15 Feb 2012 5:45 pm
▶  Iam really happy	 MARK AS READ 	Yasmine_Tayeb 	3	Hii , We are also h... - Salem_Alkaff  : 15 Feb 2012 5:38 pm
▶  Looking for the partners	 MARK AS READ 	Yoshiko_Fukui 	4	Dear Yoshiko, Our cl... - Pamela_Cameron  : 15 Feb 2012 4:50 pm

New to IEARN

Crystal_Tejera 🇺🇸 - 01:44am Feb 7, 2012 EDT

Hi Everyone,


I am new to iearn and my shcool is looking for partners. I teach first grade and we'd love to collaborate with someone on a project. I teach in Miami, Fl (USA).


Please email me at ctejera@dadeschools.net if you are interested.

Thanks!

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Hi!Welcome to iearn community.I hope we can work... by [Mohamed_Bouri](#) 🇲🇪 - 7 Feb 2012 (1) 

Hi Mr.Crystal Tejera, I'm Ali from... by [Ali_Mosiead](#) 🇪🇬 - 15 Feb 2012 (2) 

Dear Crystal, Welcome to iEARN family Which... by [B55_NNazUP1](#) 🇨🇪 - 22 Feb 2012 (3) 

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Mohamed_Bouri  - Feb 7, 2012 6:03 pm (1.)  Posts: 158

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Hi!Welcome to iearn community.I hope we can work together.There are plenty of things we can do.
Cheers,
Mohamed Bouri
Kadi ayad junior high school
Tarmigte,Ouarzazate.Morocco

Ali_Mosiead  - Feb 15, 2012 9:22 pm (2.)  Posts: 15


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Hi Mr.Crystal Tejera,
I'm Ali from Yemen a teacher of English . We have a project about preparing visaul aid and ststues and diffrent things that facilitate and support the students with the basic knowledge and principles of maths and physics for the high school second grade if that would be beneficial for you let me know and we can share different idea in the coming days , by the way I have a little problem with writing I'll be glad if you could help.
Ali Mosiead
Alkattab Secondary School,Tareem Hadramout
iearn Yemen


BSS_NNazUP1  - Feb 22, 2012 3:41 am (3.)  Posts: 273
Farheen Khalid

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Dear Crystal,

Welcome to iEARN family  Which project are you working on ? I am also working on a number of projects kindly tell something about your project.

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The main special event is the iEARN Conference and Youth Summit, which is hosted by a different country each year.



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