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Greetings:

The Student Inquiry and Research (SIR) program at IMSA is a unique educational opportunity which enables IMSA students to work alongside professionals in universities, businesses, and laboratories throughout metropolitan Chicago and beyond. SIR is a world-class program that ignites and nurtures creative ethical minds that advance the human condition in mathematics, science, technology, engineering, and other fields. It provides a framework for accomplished advisors to guide IMSA students as they pursue significant questions and solutions to complex problems. We could not have done this without Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory as an esteemed partner. During the 2011-12 academic year, representatives from your institution advised an IMSA student(s) who pursued an investigation(s) in physics, mathematics, computer science and space science.

Attached is a list of the representatives from your institution who have generously given their time of nearly one work day each week during the academic year as an SIR advisor, to give IMSA students profound learning experiences that are aligned with graduate level experiences. Our students, in partnership with staff members from the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, conducted original research, created and invented products and services, developed businesses, and shared their work through presentations and publications. A copy of our 2012 IMSAloquium abstract CD is enclosed.

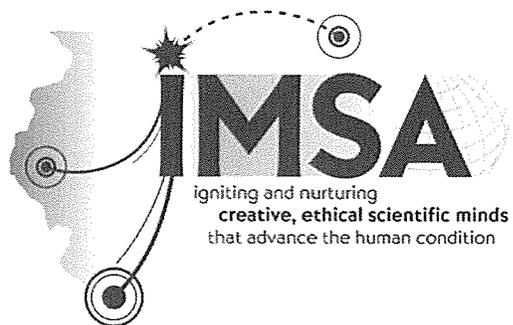
While we have thanked all participants from your institution, we wanted you to know that your staff members are at the core of an extraordinary program that has enabled students to earn numerous awards and recognition from prestigious national and global competitions including Intel Science Talent Search, Siemens Competition, the Illinois Junior Academy of Sciences, and the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair.

This has been an extraordinary academic year for IMSA and its Student Inquiry and Research (SIR) Program. Thank you for joining IMSA in believing that when students work alongside professionals, they have the power to create new knowledge for the world and make a difference in our global community.

Sincerely,

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President

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