

Over 20 member schools

WHAT IS SAESC?

The South African Extraordinary School's Coalition (SAESC) is a BRIDGE-run community made up of school leaders and teachers from a number of schools around South Africa that define themselves as 'impact schools'. Impact schools are high-quality, achievement-orientated schools that provide disadvantaged learners across South Africa with affordable access (low fee or non-fee) to high-quality learning that prepares them for success in higher education and the world of work.

WHAT ARE THE SAESC ACTIVITIES?

- Hosting and facilitating quarterly meetings, at which members share best practice, attend content-based workshops, observe classrooms in action and take part in assessment, monitoring and evaluation activities.
- Conducting School Peer Reviews (SPR) and developing School Improvement Plans (SIP).
- Partnering with the Global Teachers Institute to convene the annual AXIS Education Summit (#AxisEd).

MANAGING KNOWLEDGE

The SAESC produces a number of Knowledge Products that emerge from its activities.

Some of these include:

- Meeting highlights
- Innovative tools and resources for teachers, e.g. 'Integrating Movement In The Classroom', 'Online Learning in the 21st Century'
- Mentorship Guide

“*The Coalition meetings are a safe space...one is among friends that will help. The isolation that one feels at school vanishes. One feels free to share the positive as well as the negative experiences.*

PHADIELA COOPER, SAESC MEMBER

The AXIS Education Summit

This is a five-day convergence of students, teachers and education leaders from across South Africa and around the world. The Summit allows a variety of educational stakeholders at any stage in their career an opportunity to collaborate and work towards a new vision for education.

School Peer Review (SPR) and School Improvement Plan (SIP)

Peer reviews enable school leaders and their staff to observe each other's schools in action. These are a good mechanism for schools to establish a process of self-reflection and continuous learning as well as to participate in and support each other's school improvement initiatives in a non-judgemental and collaborative way.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN SAESC?

JOINING SAESC ENABLES YOU TO:

- Improve your classroom practice, pedagogy and develop critical instructional leadership skills.
- Learn from a group of like-minded peers as you share innovative ideas and develop creative solutions for whole school improvement.
- List your school or organisation on our national map, which gives you a broad view of the various 'players' in the education space and encourages inter-organisational networking and collaboration.

Join SAESC to be counted among the schools and organisations across the country that are changing lives through vibrant teaching and learning.

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