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2026 Membership Renewal Notice

2026 Renewal instructions were sent to members via email on October 8. To renew your membership for the year, simply verify the information in your [Member Profile](#) and pay the renewal dues invoice.

This invoice was included in the renewal notice email on October 8, and is also available in the "[My Billing Info](#)" section of the Info Hub.

If updates are needed on your membership profile, submit a [profile update form](#).

Be sure to **renew your membership early!** **New this year*: members that renew after January 31 will incur a \$15 USD administrative fee on top of their member dues cost.

Board Service Interest Form

[Executive Board Elections](#) are approaching! If you have ever considered getting more involved in a leadership role with International ACAC, read more about elections and be sure to submit the [Board Service Interest Form](#). A member of the GNC will follow up with you to provide information about the process and answer any questions you have about serving on the Executive Board.

[Board Service Interest Form](#)

HQ Staffing Update from the Leadership Team

On behalf of the International ACAC Leadership Team, I am writing to share that our Executive Director, Erin Garcia, recently stepped down after more than three years of dedicated service.

During her tenure, Erin contributed to many important milestones and events, including three annual conferences and a restructuring of our Executive Board. We are deeply grateful for her contributions and wish her all the best in her next chapter. Thank you, Erin, for your dedication and all you have done for our community.

We are pleased to announce that Margaret Andrade has been appointed as Interim Executive Director, effective immediately. Under her leadership, we are confident that our organization will navigate this transition smoothly. The process to appoint a permanent candidate will begin immediately. More information will be shared as this process develops. If you have any questions, please reach out to me by email at PT_Liam@InternationalACAC.org.

Sincerely,

Liam McCartney (he/him/his)
President 2025-2026, International ACAC

Volunteer Position: Sponsorship Chair

For those with a knack for data, financial management, and vendor relationships, please consider applying for the available position: **Sponsorship Chair**. This is a volunteer position that reports to the President-Elect and Executive Vice President for Finance to help facilitate and support funding for the International ACAC Annual Conferences in 2026, 2027, and 2028.

[Sponsorship Chair Application](#)

In order to be considered for this position, you must:

- Be an active International ACAC member; and
 - Submit a completed [online application](#) and [Institutional Support Agreement](#) by **November 5, 2025**.
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Scholar Program: 2027 Nominations Open

Do you know a high-impact university advising professional who supports academically strong, under-resourced secondary school students? They would be a perfect candidate for the [International ACAC Scholar Program](#).

[Scholar Nomination Form](#)

If YOU are wanting to apply to the Scholar Program, please use the application form. Self-nomination is not necessary. The application form will be sent via email on **October 22**.

Those chosen for the Scholar Program will be funded to attend the 2027 International ACAC Annual Conference, Pre-Conference Institute, and a counselor bus tour following the conference.

Regional Council Election & Membership Dues Update

Join us in congratulating the newly elected Regional Representatives! These are the *first ever* members of the [International ACAC Regional Council](#).

More information about Region 2 and Region 8 appointments will be available shortly on the website linked above. If you have any questions about this, please reach out to Vice President of Global Affairs Péter Árvai at VP_GA@InternationalACAC.org.



We are also pleased to share that the [proposed update to annual membership dues](#) has passed. We appreciate our members taking the time to vote, recognizing and supporting financial sustainability for our organization.

Regional Institute Update

2025 Sub-Saharan Africa, October 24-26, Galaxy International School, Accra, Ghana

Registration closes TOMORROW, October 16. Don't miss out!

Register Here
2025 Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Institute

2026 East Asia, Southeast Asia, & Oceania, April 9-11, Dwight School Hanoi, Hanoi, Vietnam

Registration is open!

Register Here
2026 East Asia, Southeast Asia, & Oceania Regional Institute

2026 The Americas, September 30-October 2, Lincoln School, San José, Costa Rica

Sign up to get updates about the event!

Expression of Interest Form
2026 The Americas Regional Institute

2026 South & Central Asia, October 18-20, Emerald Heights International School, Indore, India

Sign up to get updates about the event!

Expression of Interest Form
2026 South & Central Asia Regional Institute

If you have any questions about these or any of our upcoming Regional Institutes, please reach out to the [Regional Institutes team](#).

Dates & Deadlines

Find all upcoming International ACAC events on the [Events Calendar](#).

- Oct 16: Registration Deadline: 2025 Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Institute
 - Oct 19: Annual Conference App (Whova) Closes
 - Oct 22: Scholar Program Application Opens
 - Oct 22: Webinar Wednesday - *Credential Alphabet Soup*
 - Oct 31: Scholar Program Nominations Close
 - Nov 5: Webinar Wednesday - *Beyond the Booth: Creating Meaningful College Fair Experiences*
 - Nov 5: Sponsorship Chair Application Deadline
 - Dec 1: Scholar Program Application Deadline
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Quick Links

- [Board Service Interest Form](#)
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