



**International
School of
Brooklyn**

**International School of Brooklyn to upgrade to larger facilities
in Prospect Heights in September 2007**

Launches \$100,000 capital campaign to raise funds to renovate the school

Brooklyn, New York, March 30, 2007 – International School of Brooklyn (ISB), NYC's only French/Spanish language-immersion school following the International Baccalaureate curriculum, is moving to bigger space in a former Head Start building in Prospect Heights for the next school year.

Currently located in Park Slope, ISB will move to 237 Park Place in the vibrant, diverse, and rapidly-transforming Prospect Heights neighborhood. The school will be minutes away from the culturally rich corridor of Grand Army Plaza where the main Brooklyn Public Library and Prospect Park intersect.

In preparation for its move to bigger facilities, the non-profit school has launched a two-phase capital campaign to raise funds to renovate the school. In Phase I of the campaign, ISB will raise \$100,000 for the creation of four sun-drenched classrooms, an art room, library and a multi-purpose room. Phase II will begin in early 2008 to raise further funds for an expansion to six classrooms by commencement of the 2008-2009 school year. The school campus will also include a modest outdoor space.

"We are proud and excited about this new chapter in our history," said Rebecca Skinner, co-founder and director of ISB. "We continue to grow rapidly; next year we will add 1st Grade in a new space in which we can stretch our wings."

In just three years of operation, ISB has tripled its enrollment and expanded its program offerings from French/Spanish language-immersion playgroups for toddlers to a well-rounded program including Nursery, Pre-K and Kindergarten classes as well as arts-based after school and summer camp programs. First Grade classes will be added in September 2007.

ISB also doubles as a much-needed community resource for multi-cultural children's events such as French/Spanish book fairs and readings, children's film screenings, and more.

The capital campaign is a great opportunity for those passionate about bilingual education to take part in helping grow a special school devoted to fostering multi-lingual excellence and global citizenship. Interested business sponsors and individual donors can contact the school at info@isbrooklyn.org. ISB is a non-profit school and donations to the school are tax-deductible.

About International School of Brooklyn (ISB)

ISB is New York's only French/Spanish language-immersion school following the International Baccalaureate curriculum. The school provides an independent, non-sectarian education where students are taught in a caring, loving and challenging environment in order to become bilingual at an early age. ISB piloted Language-Immersion Playgroups for toddlers in October 2004 before opening the school in September 2005 with Nursery and pre-Kindergarten classes. Kindergarten was added in September 2006 and First Grade will be added in September 2007. ISB also offers three French/Spanish language-immersion enrichment programs – Language Immersion Playgroups for toddlers, After School Program and Summer Camp. ISB is a non-profit school and is accredited by the New York State Board of Education. More information on ISB can be found on its website: www.isbrooklyn.org. More on the International Baccalaureate curriculum can be found at www.ibo.org.

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