Social Media is Here to Stay: Keeping Girls Safe and Strong in Themselves

Join us during the virtual component of the Coalition's Global Forum on Girls' Education® III for a very special Keynote Conversation with clinical psychologist Dr. Lisa Damour and internet safety expert Antigone Davis, moderated by Ann Klotz, Head of Laurel School.

In September 2021, news broke about Facebook’s (now Meta) internal research on Instagram's effects on girls’ mental health. Join us as Antigone Davis, Vice President, Global Head of Safety for Meta, and Dr. Lisa Damour, New York Times bestselling author and leading expert in adolescent girls’ development, tease apart the research, discuss its implications for girls and young women, and offer suggestions for what we all can do to keep girls safe in the world of social media. Facilitated by longstanding Head of Laurel School Ann Klotz, this is sure to be a lively, relevant, and important conversation for anyone dedicated to supporting young women’s mental well-being.

Registration is open for both the virtual (June 21-22 online) and in-person (June 27-29 in Boston) components of the Global Forum. Please note that all virtual programming will be recorded and will be available with password access to all virtual and in-person Global Forum registrants for three months.

Questions about conference registration may be directed to the Coalition's Director of Strategic Initiatives & Professional Development Jen Evers.

On Educating Girls Episode 10: Girls Who Run ... for Office

COMING JUNE 23: When a young woman aspires to enter the political arena, she faces an array of challenges—from societal bias to the discouragement of family and friends. According to statistics maintained by the United Nations, as of September 2021, there are a mere 26 women serving as heads of state or government in nations around the world. Even more astounding, there are still 27 countries in which women account for less than 10% of parliamentarians. Podcast host Trudy Hall invites Julie Jorritsma, Acting Principal, and Winifred Hanson, Head of Academic Engagement, from Canberra Girls Grammar School to discuss a program designed to ensure girls understand and engage in politics.
Lend Your Voice to the Coalition’s Community Poem
Our Coalition has partnered with Kent State University’s Wick Poetry Center, an international leader in writing-based community outreach, to create a multi-voice poem that includes the perspectives of the students, faculty, alumnae, parents, and other advocates and allies of our girls’ school community.

We’re now collecting submissions that will be woven together to make a piece of poetry that is uniquely ours. This special poem will be unveiled on June 27 in Boston at the Global Forum on Girls’ Education® III, during a festive celebration of our official repositioning as the International Coalition of Girls’ Schools.

HERE’S HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:
1. Follow this link to read the Coalition model poem, “Tell Our Story”
3. Click the “Share Your Voice” button at the top of the screen
4. Follow the prompts for inspiration
5. Submit your response in the form of a few lines or an entire poem
6. Invite students, parents, colleagues, and alumnae to share their voices

Please Note: Although only those submissions that are shared before June 25 will be considered for inclusion in the community poem that will be unveiled during the Global Forum, this global connection platform will remain open for several months so that members of our girls’ school community around the world can continue to share their voices and create a beautiful and diverse collection of perspectives to challenge, uplift, and inspire all of us.

Maximize Your Global Forum Experience
Are you among the hundreds of girls’ school delegates who will be joining us in Boston for the Global Forum? If so, there are several ways you can enhance your networking and professional development experience before, during, and after the in-person gathering June 27-29. Follow the links below to learn more.

- **Virtual Conference** (June 21-22)
  - Schedule of Programming
  - Breakout and INSPiRE! Sessions
- **Pre-Conference Workshops** (June 27 - space still available in the sessions below)
  - Out From Behind the Screen: A Hackathon Simulation
  - Women in Leadership: Uncovering Your Authentic Story
- **Executive Director Breakfast** (June 28)
  - Megan Murphy shares her perspective on the evolution and future of girls’ school education
- **Post-Conference School & University Visits** (June 29)
  - Option A: The Winsor School and MIT Media Lab
  - Option B: Dexter Southfield School and Harvard University

* School leaders please note: Thanks to the generous support of Global Forum Platinum Sponsor First Republic Bank, governing board directors from Coalition schools are welcome to attend the virtual conference June 21-22 free of charge. Please contact Jen Evers for details.

Educating Girls Symposium: Call for Proposals
We invite you to share your expertise at our next Educating Girls Symposium: Meaning, Mission & Making Connections, which will take place on October 24 at The Harpeth Hall School in Nashville, Tennessee, United States.
School leaders and educators from around the world will come together to explore essential questions such as:

- What does it mean to be global citizen? What does it mean to be a leader, an ally, a student and a girl in today's world?
- Does our school mission clearly capture what we strive to do for every student within our care? Does it underpin our strategic goals and initiatives?
- How are we communicating with all members of our school community and facilitating healthy, respectful connections among and between them?

Submit a proposal to present on how your school or organization is addressing these topics and more. Proposals including student voices in presentations are encouraged. Deadline is August 19, 2022.

Virtual Forum Open to All Boston Attendees
Registration for the in-person component of the Global Forum on Girls' Education® III is open through June 23. Included with this registration is access to the complete June 21-22 virtual program, which is available on demand for three months following the Global Forum as well. This provides a great opportunity for ongoing professional development. Learn more and register today!

New Coalition Videos Available
The Coalition has created a robust video library to help define and describe the unique benefits and enduring value of a girls' school education. Several of these videos have been updated to reflect our repositioning as the International Coalition of Girls' Schools. Check out our YouTube channel to view these refreshed video files and share them through social media or embed them on your school website.

Recent Headlines

Why every school should embrace international collaboration and action research
Independent Education Today - by Debbie Hill, GDST

Why girls' schools succeed at producing women who lead
The Age - by Loren Bridge, AGSA

'Girls' education is a climate solution': Malala Yousafzai joins climate protest
Reuters

Missing support: Students, psychologists say existing mental health resources aren't enough
Chalkbeat
Careers at Girls' Schools

Explore Career Opportunities at member schools on the Coalition website!

Dozens of faculty, staff, and administrator positions are now open to great candidates around the world. These postings are offered as a complimentary benefit of membership, and the list is continually updated.

Coalition Connection Update

As we continue our repositioning efforts and officially become ICGS on July 1, we will be making updates to many of our platforms and communications materials. This includes a refreshed look and feel for our regular Coalition Connection newsletter. To accomplish this redesign, we'll be taking a brief hiatus. Look for the next issue to arrive in your inbox July 15.

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