



To enter for this Award, please complete the following:

- (1) Please provide a comprehensive and passionate explanation of what innovation means, and looks like, in your school. Please build for judges a comprehensive picture of how innovation powers the education provided by your school and how you place it centre stage in the culture of school life. What do you do to ensure that innovation and creativity flood every aspect of school life? How does that translate into the experience and achievements of children at your school? Your explanation should include both embedded and separate high resolution, captioned photographs and may include video. One paragraph or more should explain how the teaching of different subjects inter-relate, particularly in the Arts and Sciences, within broader school life to ensure children receive an innovation-based, inspirational, creative, solutions-focused broader whole child education at your school to open up opportunities, and meet the needs of, every child. One paragraph or more should explain how you measure innovation at your school. **The greater the level of detail and evidence of commitment to, and achievement for, every child in the area of innovation, and meeting the very different gifts and needs of each child, the easier it will for Judges to evaluate your submission. We are leaving it to you to define how you wow judges in your application, rather than being dogmatic in the information we ask for.** We define achievement relatively, defining it as achievement in the context of each child's individual gifts and potential.
- (2) Please detail how, as a school, **you** have innovated in the period between 2021 and 2023 – and plan to do so in the next five years. This may be in new capital investment, fundamental changes to previous ways of teaching, introduction of new subject or qualification pathways – any number of different ways that as a school you are innovating as much as you are inspiring your students to innovate.
- (3) Please provide 3 case studies of innovation by students at your school. Please make clear what we may publish. Please provide one further case study showcasing how as a school you have addressed, in the last 3 years, your belief in the fundamental importance of innovation in education.
- (4) Provide a personal quote and detailed paragraphs from the Principal capturing the fundamental importance of innovation in your school and what this means in practice to them. Please inspire us in your conviction that innovation matters, and why it matters. Please provide a photograph and full bio.
- (5) As part of the following application, you will strengthen your case considerably by *sending the following EDSTATICA™ survey links to your students, teachers and parents*, asking them to independently provide feedback on your school as part of your entry to the Top Schools Awards.

◦ Teacher survey: <https://whichschooladvisor.com/uae/surveys/the-teacher-survey>

◦ Parents survey: <https://whichschooladvisor.com/uae/surveys/school-survey>

◦ Student survey (Grade 10-12/Year 11-13): <https://whichschooladvisor.com/uae/surveys/thestudent-survey>

The statistical results of these surveys are valued, shared with judges and used in our decision making.

Submissions should be completed and returned to us at SCTSA@schoolscompared.com no later than 15th February 2023. Please head your email with your school name and the name of the Award applied for.

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