CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

The OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

is pleased to announce a call for participation in the school competition:

Proud of Our School

The OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina calls on primary and secondary schools in Bosnia and Herzegovina to apply with their creative inclusive practices which promote inclusivity in schools, foster the well-being and learning of all students, and the participation of students and their parents in school life.

We would like to honor positive examples of schools and communities nurturing tolerance, respect for others and openness with their activities and practices.

The competition encourages schools to make use of and seek inspiration for inclusive school practices through activities that they implement within the ongoing process of inclusive school development planning. The eight best inclusive school practices (two per topic) will be selected by a board of reviewers to be awarded and promoted widely in order to recognize and boost such positive changes.

Topics

1) Roma inclusion
2) Reconciliatory inter-ethnic activities providing opportunities for increased interaction, cooperation and learning between parents, students and teachers
3) Inclusion of parents in school life and decision-making processes
4) Student participation in school decision-making

Entries

Valid entries should describe an inclusive school practice implemented within a school in the course of 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 school year that contributes to improved school inclusivity and development of learning and participation in the school life.

Entering the competition

Submissions with reference Proud of Our School should be mailed to the OSCE Head Office in Sarajevo or delivered to OSCE field offices. A submission should be made through the accompanying submission form available at Submission form for school competition. Each submission needs to contain the following information:

1. Contact information form
2. Description of the inclusive school practice, its impact and sustainability in max. 1 200 words (2 typewritten pages)
3. Means of verification, such as copies of school records, photos, videos, school website updates, media articles, experiences and statements by the participants and similar.
Rules and conditions
1. The public call is open to all primary and secondary schools in BiH.
2. Inclusive school practices eligible for the competition are those implemented in the course of 2020/2021 and/or 2021/2022 school year.
3. Inclusive school practices should focus on creative ways to promote inclusivity in schools, foster the well-being and learning of all students, and the participation of students and their parents in school life. Entries for the competition should be submitted between May 1 and June 30, 2022. Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered.
4. The received inclusive school practices will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:
   a) Relevance to the topics
   b) Involvement of members of all constituent peoples, national minorities and others, where applicable
   c) Overall impact on school inclusivity
   d) Planning
   e) Promotion
   f) Sustainability

Awards
The selection of best inclusive school practices shall take place in August and September 2022. The eight best inclusive practices, as selected by the board of reviewers, will be awarded with smartboards or digital cameras and promoted in a OSCE supported event in November 2022.

Additional information about the competition may be sought by sending an e-mail to ponosninasvojuskolu@osce.org.