Advocacy for IB credits

1. Define the problem - inconsistency of credits granted by colleges in Va. to IB diploma graduates

2. Spell out the solution - consistent # of credits to be granted by colleges in VA. to IB diploma graduates

3. Who will determine what happens? The General Assembly

4. Prepare your case - (paper work and documentation)
   a. Benefits
   b. Savings
   c. Who is doing what, where and why?

5. Plan - write an agenda & contact (personal)
   - Local School Board Members
   - School Superintendent
   - Virginia School Board Association
   - Virginia Education Association
   - County Council of PTAs

For support
They all have legislative packets for advocacy
They also have lobbyists
6. Act - Who will make the contacts? Timing is of essence

7. Evaluate your results - Make sure everyone is doing their part

8. Follow up - contact all stakeholders to see where their efforts are and to remind them your issue (Local and state groups have a specific date, in which they go down to Richmond and meet with their state delegates and senators to advocate for their issues or proposed legislation)

9. Celebrate