

Elmira Ilizarova



Elmira Ilizarova is PIE Alumna 2003. She works at school # 23, Baku. She graduated from Azerbaijan University of Foreign Languages with Honors Diploma. Elmira has been teaching English for 23 years. At the same time, Elmira is the Head of English Language Department. Upon her return to Baku after the exchange program in Montana State University and Bozeman High School, she continued her teaching and teacher training program in Azerbaijan. Elmira is also volunteering as an International Relations Officer in Azerbaijan English Teachers' Association. Elmira participated in CEELT run by British Council in 1998, Crossing the Borders: from teaching to training – 2000, Citizenship Education Program – 2001, Training Course for Trainers – 2003, Creative Writing and Language Arts Online Course, IEARN– 2007. She also participated in many regional (Azerbaijan, Georgia, Russia, Ukraine, Romania) conferences as a presenter. Her students usually succeed while participating in different programs and achieve great results in education. Eighteen of her students have become finalists of different US Sponsored Program. She has received various awards like Honors Certificate by Ministry of Education, TEA, Second Round Finalist by ACCELS, Honored Teacher of Azerbaijan, IEARN-Master Teacher, “The best Teacher of the Year” Award, IATEFL International House Global Reach Scholarship Cardiff, etc. At present time Elmira is involved in implementing the project “Intensive teaching and learning English in primary school” piloting by the Ministry of Education. Elmira’s 6th and 9th grade students are active participants of IEARN (International Educational and resource Network) and DiD (Deliberating in Democracy) projects. Elmira is married and has two children.