

New Jersey General Assembly



STATE HOUSE, TRENTON, N. J.

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

By Assemblyman CHIVUKULA


- WHEREAS**, The cultural and economic structure in the State of New Jersey is becoming increasingly global in perspective and citizens and workers require the skills to function in a multi-cultural and economically interdependent world; and,
- WHEREAS**, International education promotes knowledge and understanding of other countries including their language, history, geography, religion, arts, and political and economic systems; and,
- WHEREAS**, International education fosters an understanding of cultural differences and similarities and enables students to understand how world affairs affect their lives, their community, their state, and the nation; and,
- WHEREAS**, International education also fosters creativity, critical thinking, and problem solving through the exploration of complex and controversial world issues; and,
- WHEREAS**, The New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards support international education through the study of social studies, civics, world languages, the arts, and other core areas; and,
- WHEREAS**, In addition to ensuring that students acquire the necessary skills in reading, writing, mathematics, and science, New Jersey, which contains one of the most diverse student populations in the nation, needs to provide opportunities for them to acquire international knowledge and skills in order to help them understand their connection with other countries and cultures and how global issues are inextricably linked to their present lives and their future; and,
- WHEREAS**, The systemic implementation of international education in schools includes the incorporation of international content into all core curriculum areas, the creation of K-12 pipelines in major world languages, the addition of an international dimension to teacher preparation, professional development, and school leadership training programs, and pioneering new uses of technology for language learning, on-line professional development, and connecting New Jersey schools and teachers to schools in other parts of the world; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

That this House hereby joins the New Jersey Department of Education in encouraging students, teachers, administrators, and educational policy makers to promote and participate in international education activities that enhance civic education, advance cultural/cross-cultural awareness, lead to communicative competence in world languages, further literacy/multi-literacy, and promote mutual understanding and respect for citizens of other countries; and,

Be It Further Resolved, That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution be signed by the Speaker and attested by the Clerk.




ALBIO SIRES
Speaker of the General Assembly

Attest:


CHRISTINE RIEBE
Clerk of the General Assembly