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First Stop: Newton, Next Stop: the World
Guidebook for Planning Programs Abroad
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Mission Statement

The mission of the Newton Schools Foundation is to enhance and broaden community support for public education and to provide funding for innovative and challenging programs in the Newton Public Schools. This private, 501 (c)(3) non-profit community foundation is governed by a Board of Directors which represents community and business leaders, parents and teachers.

Project Overview:

“Global education” is a common catchphrase these days. In the secondary schools of Newton, the world has been our classroom for a number of years with a variety of exchanges, an international community service program, and other programs abroad. All of these programs provide students with a unique educational experience that can be life changing. Now, with the Newton Schools Foundation grant, we will be able to create a comprehensive guidebook for the planning, coordination and implementation of all international study/travel programs. The guidebook will include everything from the informational phase and application process to the preparatory responsibilities and activities, travel phase, hosting phase budget, and program evaluation.



This project is critical to the continuation of our on-going international programs as well as to the development of new ones. Additionally, this project would assist teachers in preparing international programs toward a future Global Competency Certificate program, a goal of both high schools. This program, which includes an international travel/study component, is designed to foster students' global awareness, perspective, and proficiency, and provide students with essential skills for more fully participating in and contributing to an increasingly global society.



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