

# INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

# Global Voices

## Welcome Back!

The 2011-2012 school year is in full force and some amazing school visits with international leaders are already underway!

The Institute of International Education is very grateful for your continued support of the Global Voices Program. Over the past several months, Global Voices has welcomed several groups focusing on media literacy and the constantly developing role of new media in society. The visitors come to the Bay area to meet with newspapers, bloggers, and companies like Facebook and Twitter. They often say that the best meetings they have are with the students who inspire them and share their knowledge and enthusiasm for new media.

We have had several groups of visitors meet with our longstanding partner, the Fremont Media Academy. The students give the visitors a tour of their facilities, ask questions about the visitors' media work in their countries, and then interview them both on camera and over the air for their student publications.

A delegation of visitors from South Africa participated in the Global Voices Program's first visit to Monta Vista High School in Cupertino where they met with the producers of the award-winning El Estoque online newspaper. These dynamic young journalists from South Africa were highly impressed with the Monta Vista students' motivation and dedication to their work. The meeting flew by with engaging conversation as the visitors and students asked each other questions, and shared laughter and encouragement.



### PROGRAMS FROM SUMMER AND FALL 2011

**Public Health and Infectious Disease Education and Prevention, Africa**

FRENCH-AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

**Community Activism and Minority Rights, Asia**

MEDIA ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

**Media Literacy, Yemen**

MEDIA ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

**Developing Innovative Curriculum STEM Education, Russia**

GALILEO ACADEMY of SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

**THE UNITED STATES TODAY, Korea (South)**

SAINT IGNATIUS PREPARATORY

**American Language: Connecting English Teaching to U.S.**

**History and Culture, South America**

OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

**JPC Global Management Study Team, Japan**

MERCY HIGH SCHOOL

“The visitors made me realize the effectiveness of social media and how it makes us realize how things are in the world. There are so many stories that develop from social media.”

(Student from Fremont Media Academy)



**"I really liked the way that my visitor explained about her country and the differences..."**

Student at Fremont Media Academy



**"[The visitors] told us to appreciate our learning because people in other countries don't have the same opportunities as us..."**

Students at Fremont Media

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## Thank You

*To all of our partner schools who provide us with the feedback that helps us grow. We love hearing your suggestions for future visits and programming, and we are eager to help you and your students keep in touch with the visitors you welcome in your classrooms.*



**Global Voices** is a free school program sponsored by the Institute of International Education, bringing International Visitors deemed emerging world leaders into Bay Area classrooms. They are invited to the US by the Department of State to participate in the International Visitor Leadership Program.

As the international is brought to the local, Global Voices promotes building respect for other nations and cultures, as well as positive community- and self-awareness. We hope you will enjoy working with us this year to bring an unforgettable educational experience to your students.

You and your students always give a wonderful impression of American schools. We hope that your students and staff gain as much from these cultural exchange opportunities as the delegates.

We thank you again for your continued support and look forward to working with you in this upcoming school year!!



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