

## **Resources for Building Intercultural Competence in your School and Community**

Being able to see and appreciate ourselves as members of a global society starts by being able to see and appreciate the global members within our own schools and communities. Cultural competence is much more than simple tolerance. It requires understanding the cultures of others, reaching a shared understanding of how cultures can coexist, and taking advantage of new voices and perspectives to improve the quality of our own lives and the lives of others.

The resources and activities in this section can be used with students, teachers, community members, and others to answer the following questions:

- What is intercultural competence?
- How can this competence benefit us individually and as a school community?
- How do we go about building this important kind of competence in our students?

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