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Schools Prepare for Seventh Annual International Education Week

Schools throughout the state are preparing to observe the seventh annual International Education Week, which will take place November 13-17, 2006. The State Board of Education has adopted a resolution supporting the national event, sponsored by the federal departments of Education and State.

"Each year at this time, we focus on the need to inspire our students to explore beyond their state and national borders in order to build global partnerships and become part of the international community," said Commissioner of Education Lucille E. Davy. "New Jersey's students will need to meet global standards of education, work harder than their predecessors and become involved internationally in order to meet the qualifications needed in today's workplace."

New Jersey has been a strong supporter of international education in recent years, including state-level efforts such as an International Education Summit and ongoing development of a guide to integrate international education throughout the state's Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels.

This year's theme of International Education Week is *International Education: Engaging in Global Partnerships*.

Activities to observe International Education Week could include:

- Inviting international and multicultural guests in the classroom;
- Exploring the initiation of a sister school program;
- Engaging in science experiments with students from other countries using technology;
- Creating student exchanges between cultures, using multiple media, such as video and the internet;
- Creating a project that would enable students to do in-depth study of one world region or global issue; and
- Exploring the world through folk art traditions.

The State Board resolution supports "Governor Jon S. Corzine's reiteration of the need for students to learn more in better schools so they can prosper in the economy of the future, and have the perspective to embrace the complexities of the evermore interconnected and complex world."

Attached is the full text of the State Board's [resolution](#).

NOTE: Reporters are encouraged to contact local schools for activities planned to mark International Education Week.

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