“We all have different inspirations, but one goal: a better world”
Ernesto Araujo

Seal of Global Diversity

Supports College & Work Place Readiness

Colleges, universities and global institutions are looking to attract students and employees who value diverse perspectives and cultures, while working collaboratively with others to make a positive impact on the world.

A Lake Orion Community Schools Seal of Global Diversity provides an advantage for college and job applicants who can certify their personal efforts and commitment to global & diversity initiatives.

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How to apply

Applications will be considered twice each year, in January and May. Interested students should send an email to the Seal of Global Diversity Team at: sarah.roberts@lok12.org.

It is NOT necessary to wait until your senior year to apply. Students are encouraged to work closely with the team in advance to ensure all requirements are being fulfilled within a framework of acceptable time.
How will participating in a LOCS Seal of Global Diversity experience benefit my child?

Global Diversity Experiences Develop:

- Global citizenship and empathy and concern for others.
- Personal and social responsibility.
- Social, emotional, and intercultural skills.
- A variety of communication styles, modes, and tools.
- Leadership to turn ideas into actions.
- Meaningful knowledge of the world at large.
- Reflective practices and the desire to take action on ideas in the real world.

Program Requirements

Applicants must complete a minimum number of hours of required coursework. Students will also choose two of the three remaining options below to meet program criteria. All requirements must be met by a student’s senior year.

1. Coursework
   Students must take a MINIMUM of six courses with an emphasis in Global Diversity. Credits should be earned through a variety of courses and not limited to one area, such as World Languages. These may include World Languages, World History, Honors & AP World History, History of World Religions, AP European History, Global Issues, British Literature, Mythology, Contemporary Social Issues, Global Business Management, Humanities, Sociology, Assets, Mythology/Folklore/Legend, Human Relations, African American History, Conflict Management, Exploring Special Education in Today’s Schools, History Through Film and History of Ethnic and Gender Studies.

2. Family International Travel or Host Family
   Students may participate in an international travel experience with their family or host a short or long-term exchange student.

3. Community Service
   Students will complete 10 of their 20 community service hours dedicated to Global Diversity initiatives. This can include tutoring, volunteering and participating in LOCS after school clubs emphasizing global diversity, attending museums or social events with a global diversity perspective, or completing other projects granted prior approval from the Global Diversity Team. Examples of LOCS clubs that focus on Global Diversity include Cultural Outreach, Courageous Conversations, World Languages Club, etc.

4. Global Presentation
   Students will share a global experience with a real-world audience. Some examples include sharing a published story, blog, digital video or a live presentation to a school or community audience.

Who can participate?

Students in grades 7 - 12 may participate in the Seal of Global Diversity. Students with an IEP should work with their learning consultant to develop a customized plan.

International Host Family Experience

Learn more about how your family can take part in Lake Orion's International Student Exchange Host Family experience.