Caleb Greenwood, An International Baccalaureate World School



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Caleb Greenwood is an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) World School implementing the Primary Years Program (PYP).

The International Baccalaureate® aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end the organization works with schools, governments, and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate, and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

https://www.ibo.org/

# **IB PYP NEWS!**

September learner profile and Action Focus:

#### **Open-Minded Lifestyle Choices**

Being **Open-Minde**d helps you learn and grow, as well as strengthen your belief in yourself. It opens opportunities to learn about others and how they live and why they believe the way they do. It allows you to gain knowledge and become aware of the world around you. This knowledge and awareness may result in Action in the form of a Lifestyle Choice -- it may change how you perceive and interact with people; it may change what you buy or the businesses you frequent; it may change how often you wash your car; it may even change your eating habits! Be open to learning something that will impact the choices you make in your day-to-day lives.

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## Our First School-Wide IB PYP Unit of Inquiry Revealed!

THEME: Who We Are CENTRAL IDEA: Affirming our differences can strengthen a community.

#### LINES OF INQUIRY:

- Differences in people, families, and communities
- How we affirm
  differences
- How differences
  strengthen a
  community

Learner Profile Focus: Open-Minded (September) Thinker (October) Action Focus: Lifestyle Choices

#### What is the IB learner profile?



The International Baccalaureate® (IB) learner profile describes a broad range of human capacities and responsibilities that go beyond academic success. They imply a commitment to help all members of the school community learn to respect themselves, others and the world around them. **IB** learner profile

#### What is ACTION in the IB PYP?



In the PYP, action is both an application of learning and an opportunity for students to engage in a form of contribution or service. It is integral to PYP learning and to the program's overarching outcome of international mindedness.

### The learner profile & **ACTION Connection**

Action, the learner profile, and international mindedness work hand in hand to strengthen students' confidence in their capacity to make a positive change in the world. Student-initiated action will be considered a dynamic outcome of a student's learning and an active demonstration of the learner profile attributes. Each month we will focus on a learner profile attribute and how it connects and nurtures a child's disposition towards Action.

### How can we start support the IB PYP Unit of Inquiry at home?

Check out the Enrichment Classrooms every week for activities that connect to our theme Who We Are and our Central Idea of Affirming our Differences Can Strengthen A Community. There are also lots of related books in our virtual libraries and weekly read-alouds. Watch and read-along with your child and discuss what connections you can make with the book and our Theme and Central Idea, and/or learner profile focus attributes of Open-Minded and Thinker.

Here is a strategy you can use to make connections: mirror, window, and sliding doors.

Mirror: What in this book connects to your/our own life?

Window: How is this book connected to the world around us? Sliding Doors: How did this book change your thinking and what Action can you take based on your new learning and perspective?



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**October Thinker Event TBA** 

Just a Few of the Books to Explore in this Unit!



"Believe in yourself, learn, and never stop wanting to build a better world ."

- Mary McLeod Bethune

