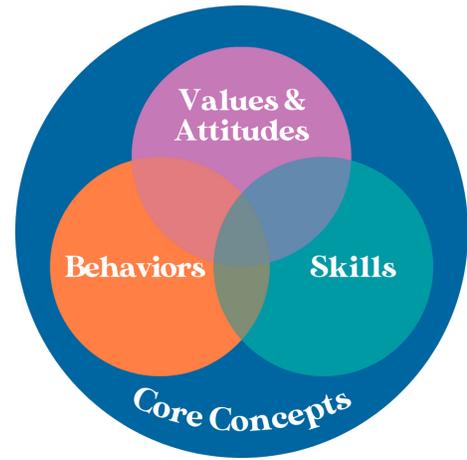




The Global Competence Matrix

Global competence is the disposition and capacity to understand and act on issues of global significance. Globally competent individuals possess and apply the following qualities, characteristics, and abilities to learn about and engage with the world. Educators who aspire to help students become globally competent must both develop these attributes in themselves and find ways to foster them in students.



Core Concepts

- World events and global issues are complex and interdependent
- One's own culture and history is key to understanding one's relationship to others
- Multiple conditions fundamentally affect diverse global forces, events, conditions, and issues
- The current world system is shaped by historical forces



Behaviors

- Seeks out and applies an understanding of different perspectives to problem solving and decision making
- Forms opinions based on exploration and evidence
- Commits to the process of continuous learning and reflection
- Adopts shared responsibility and takes cooperative action
- Shares knowledge and encourages discourse
- Translates ideas, concerns, and findings into appropriate and responsible individual or collaborative actions to improve conditions
- Approaches thinking and problem solving collaboratively



Values & Attitudes

- Embraces new opportunities, ideas and ways of thinking
- Engages willingly and openly with others
- Demonstrates self-awareness about identity and culture, and sensitivity and respect for differences
- Values multiple perspectives
- Finds comfort with ambiguity and unfamiliar situations
- Reflects on the context and meaning of our lives in relationship to something bigger
- Questions prevailing assumptions
- Adapts to new situations and is cognitively nimble
- Chooses empathy
- Demonstrates humility



Skills

- Investigates the world by framing questions, analyzing and synthesizing relevant evidence, and drawing reasonable conclusions that lead to further enquiry
- Recognizes, articulates, and applies an understanding of different perspectives (including their own)
- Selects and applies appropriate tools and strategies to communicate and collaborate effectively
- Listens actively and engages in inclusive dialogue
- Is fluent in 21st century digital technology
- Demonstrates resiliency in new situations
- Applies critical, comparative, and creative thinking and problem solving