

Our Philosophy

We believe . . .

- children are the world's most important resource
- solving most of the major problems facing our country today will require every young person to learn more about other regions, cultures, and languages
- the ability to think globally enhances one's ability to act locally
- students' access to information and technology connects them with global issues and peers in other cultures
- learning can be fun and serving others can be rewarding



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
LA CROSSE



THE GLOBAL VILLAGE'S FUTURE:

2009-10: open 6th grade Global Village "house" for 52 students

2010-11: add a 7th grade house for total of 104 students (6th + 7th)

2011-12: add 8th grade house for total of 156 students (6th + 7th + 8th)

*Class sizes are estimates and may vary from year to year.

Next year, you could continue in the Global Village option, or opt for a regular 7th grade placement.

Logan Middle School Global Village

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Welcome to Logan Middle's 6th grade Global Village



A new 6th grade international education option at Logan Middle

Our Mission

To create an exciting learning environment that develops confident, contributing citizens in our ever changing and inter-connected world

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A Typical Day in the 6th Grade Global Village

Daily Schedule:
7:35 a.m. - 2:35 p.m.
with 45-minute periods

- Students are assigned to one 6th grade classroom with flexible movement of approximately 52 students between two core teachers plus specialists.
- **Morning:** Integrated social studies and language arts, enhanced science and math curriculums
- **Afternoon:** Specially tailored Art/Health and Music/PE, new Language & Culture class, and the choice of band, choir and/or orchestra
- **After-School Programs:**
 - Homework Club - M-F 2:45-3:30
 - Enrichment Classes—M-F 3:30-5:00

Current Offerings:

Wonders of the World
Science All Stars
Helping Hands
Foods of the World
Lego Robots
Knitting for the Needy
Crafts of the World
Party with Pythagoras

Our After School Programs are funded through Logan Middle School's 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant.

Unique Features of the Global Village

A Daily Language & Culture Class

A unique period each day will alternate second language instruction and student cultural projects. The class includes working with UW-L International students from various countries and language instruction in Spanish and/or French. Visiting delegations, speakers, and exposure to international community events and volunteer options will also be included along with use of new iBook and iTouch technology.

Integrated Curriculum

Using international themes and new technology, our Social Studies and Language Arts units will be organized around Latin America and Canada with related reading/writing/speaking instruction and use of technology. This will include blogs, podcasts, internet research, multi-media projects with iBooks and iTouch technology, online mapping and geography projects.



Enhanced Math & Science Curriculum

We will continue to offer our 6th grade Connected Math and Accelerated Math curriculums. Enhanced 6th grade science curriculum will include new Gateway to Learning training for staff, integrating science, technology, engineering, and math and a unique UW-L Biology partnership for science fair projects and other competitions.

Student Projects

Each unit will include one or more major student projects to demonstrate learning. These may include events showcasing learning, podcasts, multi-media presentations, virtual tours, international communication projects, developing tools for others such as travel guides, wikis, or websites.



Service Learning

"Think Globally, Act Locally": A year-long theme such as world hunger will be developed that provides options for students and families to learn and volunteer in our community—i.e. service projects such as Community Gardens, Salvation Army, Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Food Pantries, Place of Grace, etc.

Community Partnerships

Drawing upon local international resources will be a major asset to the program. Current partnerships include:

- UW-L International Studies Office, School of Education and Biology Department
- Sister Cities of La Crosse: Germany, France, Norway, China, Russia, and Ireland
- Local businesses/parents for specific projects--ex. Service learning, robotics, local cultural events, international business and travel experiences