International Education Week

International Education Week - How to Participate

In Your Community

1. Help organize an IEW event on your campus or in your local community. Or find and attend a 2016 IEW event hosted in your area.
2. Ask your a community-based member of the Global Ties U.S. network if there is an opportunity to get involved. Volunteer to talk about a past cross-cultural experience with your local community.
3. Print IEW posters (https://eca.state.gov/files/bureau/posters.zip) and display them on neighborhood or university bulletin boards
4. During IEW, invite friends to your home for an international potluck to share stories from your experiences abroad. Try to invite an international friend or new international student as well.
5. Introduce yourself to someone from another culture than your own. Share what's the same and what's different about your backgrounds.
6. Host an watch party of a major sports game and invite people in your community from the United States and abroad to bring family dishes for an international potluck. Share a big aspect of American culture while learning about others.
7. Attend a show-and-tell day at your child's elementary school and share your study abroad experience. Bring pictures if you have them!
8. K-12 volunteers or club leaders: have your students talk about where they'd study abroad someday and why. Have them learn how to say hello in that language!
9. Start a meetup or club at your college to swap stories about your international studies.

Online and Social Media - Use hashtag #IEW2016

10. Share a post with a photo about an experience you may have had overseas, an international friend you made, or something interesting you learned about another culture.
11. Write and post 'Happy International Education Week' in another language.
12. Tag a friend that you met thanks to international education in a Facebook post with a story about how you met.
13. Share on Facebook or Twitter:That moment when you felt at home on your student exchange.
14. RSVP to our Facebook event to receive more information on IEW happenings, share photos- also invite your friends!
15. If you are hosting or have hosted exchange participants in your home, share a picture or story on social media and tag it with #IEW2016
16. Add an overlay to your Facebook profile picture to show your support.
17. Set up a Snapchat custom filter for your school, nonprofit, or neighborhood using the Snapchat filter design https://eca.state.gov/files/bureau/snapchat.zip