

National School Conference on International Youth Exchange
February 28-29, 2008 – Sheraton City Centre
Indianapolis, Indiana

AGENDA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2008

11:00 – 12 noon	Exhibitor Set-Up	<i>Panorama B and Foyer</i>
12:00 – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration and Check-In Exhibits Open	<i>Panorama Foyer</i>
1:00 – 2:30 pm	Opening Plenary	<i>Panorama Ballroom</i>

Welcome Remarks

**Caterina Cregor Blitzer, Director, International Education
Indiana Department of Education**

**John Hishmeh, Executive Director
Council on Standards for International Educational Travel**

Video Presentation

**The Honorable Richard Lugar
United States Senator**

Keynote Speaker

**Ambassador Kenton Keith
Vice President, Meridian International**

*Why is the exchange experience important
in your school community?*

Exchange Student Speakers

**Omar Al-Fatiihi (Yemen)
Farhan Kamarzaman (Malaysia)
Willem Lenders (Netherlands)
Emilie Vanderstel (United States)**

Host Parent Speakers

David and Sheryl Vanderstel

2:30 – 3:00 pm	Coffee Break – <i>Sponsored by:</i>	<i>Panorama B and Foyer</i>
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**PAX: Program of
Academic Exchange**



3:00 – 4:15 pm

Concurrent Sessions

Athletic Eligibility Process for Foreign Exchange Students

Library

Moderator

Robert B. Gardner, Chief Operating Officer
National Federation of State High School Associations

Speakers

Bobby Cox, Assistant Commissioner
Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc.

Kurt Gibson, Assistant Executive Director
Illinois High School Association

Gina Mazzolini, Assistant Director
Michigan High School Athletic Association

Study Abroad: Impact on College Admissions

Panorama A

Moderator

Margaret Crotty, President, AFS-USA

Speakers

Jo Ann Brown, Senior Admissions Associate
Purdue University

Kathy Dowling, Director of Guidance
Greenfield Central High School

Jeffrey Cason, Dean of International Programs
Middlebury College

4:15 – 5:30pm

Plenary Session

Youth Exchange Best Practices

Panorama Ballroom

Moderator

Matt Smith, President of Operations
EF Foundation for Foreign Study
(Chair, CSJET School Outreach Working Group)

Speakers

Phil Boley, Superintendent, Clinton Central Schools Corporation

Caryn Stedman, CREC, Metropolitan Learning Center

John Hishmeh, Executive Director
Council on Standards for International Educational Travel

6:00 – 7:30 pm

Welcome Reception

*Ethan's Restaurant –
Lobby Level*

Musical Performance

***Oakton High School Chamber Ensemble, Vienna, Virginia
Cheri Collins, Director***

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2008

8:00 – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast Buffet *Panorama B and Foyer*

9:00 – 10:00 am Plenary Session *Panorama Ballroom*

National Education Policy: Global Perspectives

Moderator

John Hishmeh, Executive Director,
Council on Standards for International Educational Travel

Speakers

Mary Wilhelmus, Director, School Data Reporting
Indiana Department of Education

Betsy Davis, Chief, Youth Programs Division
Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs
United States Department of State

Sambia Shivers-Barclay
International Visitors Coordinator, International Affairs Office
Office of the Secretary, United States Department of Education

10:00 – 11:00 am Concurrent Sessions

School to School Exchange Opportunities

Panorama A

Moderator

Phil Boley, Superintendent, Clinton Central Schools Corporation

Speakers

Claudia Nole, Chair, World Language Department
Park Tudor Lower School

Bethany Rehling, Youth and Education Program Manager
Sister Cities International

Charlotte Mason and Carolyn Henderson, Directors
The China Exchange Initiative

***Guidance Counselor Perspectives
on Working with Foreign Exchange Students***

Library

Moderator


Kristie Corn, Assistant Principal
Lawrence Central High School

Speakers

Ron Vermilion, Head of Guidance
Marion High School

Matt Fleck, Academic and Career Specialist
Indiana Department of Education
and Representative to the Indiana Counselors' Association

Nancy Herndon, Head of Guidance
Hamilton Southeastern High School

11:00 – 11:15 am	Coffee Break	<i>Panorama B and Foyer</i>
11:15 – 12:30 pm	Plenary Session	
	<i>Legal Issues: Visas, Regulations, Liabilities</i>	<i>Panorama Ballroom</i>
	<u>Moderator</u>	
	Margie Eulner Ott, Director of Programs and Contracts Youth For Understanding	
	<u>Speakers</u>	
	Tara Brown, Student Placement Specialist Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	
	Helen Lowman, Program Director, AFS-USA	
	Gaylon Nettles, Director, Office of Student Services and State Attendance Officer, Indiana Department of Education	
	Julia Findlay, Educational and Cultural Exchange Specialist Office of Exchange Coordination and Designation Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs United States Department of State	
12:30 – 2:00 pm	Luncheon Presentation	<i>Panorama Ballroom</i>
	Sponsored by: Indiana Department of Education	 Indiana Department of Education <small>SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS</small>
	<u>2008 Global Classroom Awards Presentation</u>	
	John Doty Chair, CSJET Board of Directors	
	C.D. Hylton High School , Woodbridge, Virginia; accepted by Margaret H. Holt, Coordinator, Center for International Studies and Languages	
	The Metropolitan Learning Center , Bloomfield, Connecticut; accepted by Anne McKernan, Principal	
	Skaneateles High School , Skaneateles, New York; accepted by Georgette Hoskins, Principal and Lori Ruhlman, Teacher	
	<u>Keynote Speaker</u>	
	Dr. Suellen Reed Indiana Superintendent for Public Instruction	
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions	
	<i>Local and Community Funding Prospects for Exchange Programs</i>	<i>Library</i>
	<u>Moderator</u>	
	Caterina Cregor Blitzer, Director, International Education Indiana Department of Education	
	<u>Speakers</u>	
	Steve Heck, Executive Director, Indiana Association of School Principals	
	Lauren Windle, Manager Corporate and Foundation Relations, The LEAGUE	

Dave Sternberg, Center on Philanthropy, Indiana University

Frank Giammarino, Executive Director
Tipton County Community Foundation
Concurrent Sessions

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Online Classroom/ and Student Collaboration

Panorama A

Moderator

Caryn Stedman, CREC, Metropolitan Learning Center

Speakers

Ruth Blankenbaker, Executive Director
Center for Interactive Learning and Collaboration

Edwin Gragert, Executive Director, iEARN-USA

Betsy Davis, Chief, Youth Programs Division
Global Connections Program, United States Department of State

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Closing Plenary Session

Why Businesses Want Globally Experienced Graduates

Panorama Ballroom

Moderator

Niranjan Pati, Ph.D., Dean and Professor
School of Business, Indiana University Kokomo

Speakers

Steve Akard, Director, International Development
Indiana Economic Development Corporation

John Wittmann, Manager of Education and Artist Relations
Band and Orchestral Division, Yamaha International Corporation

Matt Judge, Sales Manager, Simply Hospitality

Linda Fernandez, JD, Associate Financial Consultant
Global Tax Department, Transfer Pricing Team, Eli Lilly and Company

Mark Cooper, International Trade Export Assistance Center
United States Department of Commerce

4:30 pm

Conference Adjourns