



Developing Youth Leaders for the Global Stage

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Global Kids in Washington D.C.

With over 20 years of experience in global learning and youth development, Global Kids brought its award-winning programs to the nation's capital in 2010. Global Kids Washington, D.C. (GK-DC) addresses the need for the diverse young people of Washington to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to participate in the democratic process and achieve leadership, academic, and professional success in an interdependent, technologically sophisticated global society. Global Kids Leaders, who come from underserved communities, become informed about international affairs, discover how to shape and influence domestic and foreign policy, and develop a commitment to global activism, peer outreach, and service to their communities.

Global Kids Afterschool Clubs

GK-DC Afterschool Clubs engage youth in interactive global affairs workshops, leadership training, field trips, service projects, peer education, dialogue with experts, and college and career exploration. At each site, a GK Trainer and a GK Fellow, a teacher from the participating school who is trained in GK's methodology, implement the extended learning program together.

GK-DC Afterschool Clubs operate at Columbia Heights Educational Campus (Ward 1), Friendship Collegiate Academy (Ward 7), Maya Angelou Public Charter School-Evans Campus (Ward 7), and the Cesar Chavez Public Charter School for Public Policy-Capitol Hill Campus (Ward 6).

The Global Gateways Summer Institute

The Global Gateways Summer Institute exposes high school students to intense study of international affairs, introduces them to a range of careers, and takes them abroad for the first time. The program includes a five-week foreign policy institute at Howard University's Ralph J. Bunche International Affairs Center, where students learn about U.S. foreign policy through workshops, field trips, and guest speakers, and is complemented by a two-week service-learning trip abroad. In past summers, GK has led trips to Brazil and Haiti for groups of 12-14 youth each year.

Upon returning to school, students conduct peer education workshops that feature youth-produced digital media based on their summer research and travel to educate their peers and teachers about issues affecting the country they visited.

Outcomes

Our outcomes for DC youth encompass the wide-reaching scope of the Global Kids experience. GK youth:

- 1) Graduate high school and attend college.
- 2) Demonstrate increased interest in and knowledge of domestic politics and international affairs.
- 3) Demonstrate increased leadership skills that will enable them to succeed in the 21st Century.
- 4) Demonstrate increased civic engagement.
- 5) Demonstrate the values and attitudes of global citizens.

In 2012, 100% of the 21 GK-DC seniors graduated from high school and 100% are now enrolled in college.