

# 7 GEMS OF INTERCULTURAL CREATIVITY®

Our students are entering into a workforce that requires them to WORK and CREATE with people from various backgrounds around the world. Creative thinking is now the #1 skill needed in the workforce. Since building culturally competent students parallels building creative thinkers, this framework equips teachers to integrate BOTH developmental processes for student success.

## 1. The Gem Journey **CREATIVE GROWTH MINDSET**

Developing the ability to interact with various cultures and increase creative thinking are skills that any student can develop with the right experiences, mindset and training.

## 2. Open Mind - Open Heart **THE EMPATHETIC WAY**

Growing in creative thought while increasing cultural competency requires the ability to engage with empathy and receive ideas with an open mind.

## 3. I See You - I See Me **CULTURAL OBSERVATION**

Integrating multi sensory development within the curriculum increases creativity and cultural sensitivity.

## 4. Give Me More **CULTURAL CURIOSITY**

Curiosity drives learning and ignites creativity. Culturally respectful questioning and investigation develops students' ability for intercultural discoveries and innovative solutions.

## 7. Being The Bridge **CREATING ACROSS CULTURES**

Intercultural creativity equips students to be a bridge between cultures and successfully communicate, create and innovate across cultural lines.

## 6. Culturally True While Being You **AUTHENTIC ADAPTATION**

Students further along in their intercultural development can shift their perspective and adapt their behavior in cultural situations while remaining true to their authentic core values.

## 5. A Kaleidoscope View **PERSPECTIVE SHIFTING**

Exploring cultural experiences through multiple modalities and the arts is a creative skill that increases cultural connections and unique insights.

