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CIWA SUPPORTS ONEWORLDNOW! STUDENTS BECOMING GLOBAL LEADERS
OneWorldNow! (OWN) helps launch the remarkable new generation of global leaders by offering after-school and summer language programs in Mandarin and other languages, leadership workshops, study abroad opportunities, and community service learning to high school students in Seattle, Washington. From its inception in 2002, the organization has recognized the importance of learning Mandarin language and made it part of its core program, along with building social, emotional, and intercultural skills.

With the support of Confucius Institute of the State of Washington, OneWorldNow! has been able to expand its reach to underserved, multiculturally diverse youth to learn Mandarin and prepare for their future in a new globalized, multi-national workforce. With leadership development a major part of the curriculum, students advise on program content and help design the practice of cross-cultural communication.

In this book, we show you the real people — students, teachers, and leaders — engaged in this promising educational experience, which cultivates a new generation of leaders who speak Mandarin and are ready to tackle the challenges they encounter in the social community and world that they inherit.
In OWN summer program students study Chinese language and culture.
Calligraphy and lantern making are part of the curriculum.

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Teachers encourage students to use Chinese language in conversation.
Students rehearse Chinese dialog during summer program class.

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Learning more Chinese culture and history from Chinese teachers.
OWN Summer program Chinese class at work.

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Calligraphy demo and practice.

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Lantern making using Chinese characters and artistic designs.

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OWN Summer Program offers leadership training.

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In a Leadership Experience
OWN students converse with a visiting Chinese delegation.

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GET GLOBAL, an annual OWN spring event in Seattle showcases student achievement and advocacy.
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Getting ready for 2018 Get Global Day

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The day features student speeches and student led workshops.

Participants clearly support one another.
Students lead discussions on real world concerns.

Workshop attendees eagerly respond.
Speaking up and listening play key roles for these young leaders.
Student tech supports Get Global workshop presentation.

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Get Global workshops stimulate more and more discussion.

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Get Global workshop leaders use smartphones to reference material to present and discuss.

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Many students feel deeply about subject areas and articulate those ideas.

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At Get Global
Informational booths let students explore further opportunities.

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CIWA Chinese Director Wenqiu Wang and visiting teacher from China greet student.

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Another visiting teacher from China speaks with students at the CIWA display booth.
Engaged students listen to program sponsors and representatives.

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Jennifer Tanaka, OWN Executive Director, speaks with students and parents at Get Global.