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American Students Learn Languages, Cultures from International Students Participating in Summer Work Travel Program

The Department of State's Summer Work Travel (SWT) program allows future generations to connect with each other for greater understanding and cultural learning. For example:

- Every year, international students who spend their summers at Morey's Piers in New Jersey through the SWT program visit American students at Wildwood Crest Memorial School to talk about their home countries and share their experiences in the United States.
- On a recent visit, six students – from Poland, Malaysia, Bulgaria, Taiwan, Jordan, and Romania – taught the seventh-graders to say a few words in their native languages, shared interesting facts about their home countries, and talked about cultural differences.
- Teacher Lisa Travascio appreciates these yearly visits from the international students: "I think we're all about diversity here, so this exposes [our students]."

Read more about how the SWT program is making a difference in local American communities [here](#).

Connecting Future Generations – That's the Power of Exchange.

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