

Summer Cultural Exchange

Now Enrolling 904 Family Diplomats

July 5th-18th, 2021

You and your family are invited to virtually participate in the 2021 Iraqi Young Leaders Exchange Program (IYLEP) as a representative of our community and our nation! The IYLEP is a highly competitive and exclusive exchange program for emerging leaders in Iraq and open to all local families or couples that meet requirements. High school student participants will have an opportunity to earn volunteer service hours as well!



Benefits to Local Participants and their Families:

- A chance to have a global experience as a family without leaving home!
- An opportunity to learn more about Iraq, its cultures, customs, and incredible historic sites!
- An opportunity to represent Northeast Florida, and the United States, to the world.
- An international education opportunity completely sponsored by the U.S. Department of State.
- An opportunity to network with student leaders from across Iraq in English and/or Arabic.
- If you don't already speak Arabic, here's an opportunity to pick up some new words. Our Iraqi participants speak English and want to practice but also want to share their language with you!
- Student participants will also receive service hours for the time spent interacting with international participants and a certificate of completion from GlobalJax recognizing their global leadership experience.

We're looking for local families and students with a strong desire to connect with the world and develop leadership skills in the community. Up to 15 families can participate. If selected by GlobalJax as a representative of Northeast Florida, your participation will be completely funded by the U.S. Department of State.



Those representing Northeast Florida will be asked to meet virtually with our Iraqi participants, and possibly their families, for approximately 6-8 hours from July 5-18.

These meetings can take place from your home, family vacation, or favorite local spot. The local participant schedule is flexible and could include the following:



- Watch a movie, show or documentary together, choose a movie, press play at the same time and leave your video connection open.
- Introduce your young leader to an older family or community member.
- Make each other a playlist of 5 songs that represent parts of your life, listen to them together and share why you chose those songs.
- Invite your young leader to a meal with your family. Use skype/facetime/hangouts, and put your computer on the table as if they were sitting with you.



- Teach each other to cook a meal in a virtual cooking class.
- Invite your host sibling to a group WhatsApp with your friends for the weekend.
- Teach each other a dance (create a TikTok!)
- Give each other a tour of your room.
- Give each other a tour of your bookshelf.
- Take each other on a walk around your neighborhood.

Have Questions?

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Space is Limited!
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Today!

