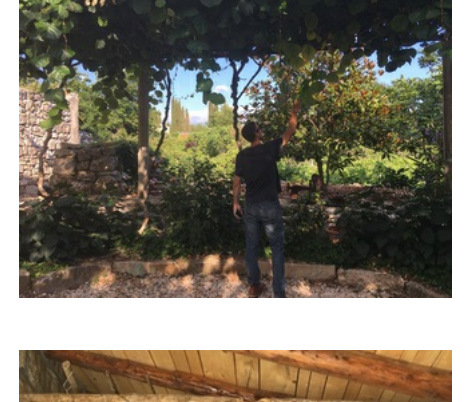


Kokomo Schools Education Foundation Newsletter



KHS Teacher Uses Grant to Explore Eastern Europe

Rebecca Swan's IB Biology students and AP & IB Environmental Science students at Kokomo High School will learn about the agricultural practices, the clean energy development and the "green" initiatives in Eastern Europe through Mrs. Swan's firsthand experiences in Croatia, Hungary, and Slovenia.



Mrs. Swan was one of two Kokomo Schools teachers to receive a Kokomo Public Schools Education Foundation grant to cover a portion of the cost to attend International Baccalaureate (IB) Immersion Training in these three Eastern European countries.

"The immersion experience was amazing," Mrs. Swan noted. "I learned so much about that part of the world."

These immersion trips expose Kokomo's IB teachers to different cultures from around the globe so they can share that global perspective with their students, while also integrating a world focus into their classroom curriculum.

Mrs. Swan developed her first idea for a lesson during her first day in Croatia. While in Vis, Croatia, the Kokomo teachers met a man whose family has been farming the same plot of land for 500 years - making him an 18th generation farmer. The 85-year-old grows grapes, cabbage, figs, pomegranates, cherries, potatoes, and lavender. The teachers had the opportunity to tour his farm, ask him questions, and enjoy a meal in his family's restaurant.

Mrs. Swan's Environmental Science students already learn about agricultural practices in the U.S., so the lessons she learned from an 85-year-old farmer in Eastern Europe about ancient farming practices will be a welcome addition to their classroom discussions.

Mrs. Swan took photos of a giant solar panel she saw on a pier on the Adriatic Sea. It was a piece of art, but also a solar panel, she noted. The Advanced Placement (AP) and IB teacher also took many photos while visiting Plitvice Lakes National Park, with its 82 waterfalls. Mrs. Swan plans to use those photos in her lessons throughout the school year.

"I will be able to use so much of what I learned on this immersion trip," Mrs. Swan explained. "For instance, Slovenia recently joined the European Union, and is a very 'green' country. The Slovenian people are very focused on sustainable energy, and that fits right into several of my curriculum units."

Thanks to the grant from the Education Foundation, Mrs. Swan plans to attend a second Kokomo Schools IB Immersion Training in Iceland during Fall Break.

"The Education Foundation grant provided financial support that will allow me to attend both immersion trainings, so I can bring back more valuable classroom lessons from Iceland, too," Mrs. Swan concluded.

KHS Class of 1997 Reunion

The 1997 class reunion will be held at Celebrations Banquet & Conference Facility located at 3407 W. Sycamore St., Kokomo, IN on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM.

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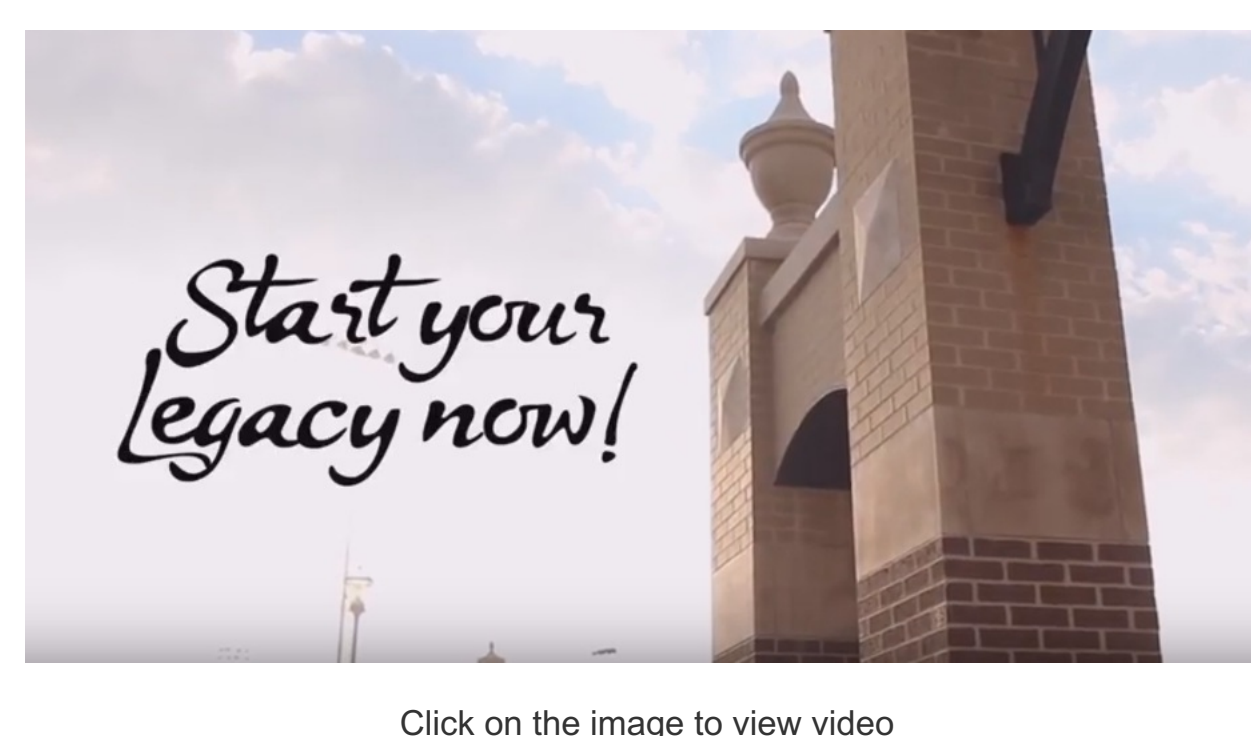
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Students Welcome Delegates with Chinese Dragon

Central Middle International School students recently welcomed visitors from Anshan, China by displaying the Chinese Dragon that was purchased recently for Kokomo Schools through an Endowment Grant from the Kokomo Public Schools Education Foundation.



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