





Re-Imagining Migration Framework

What are the most important perspectives for participating in a world on the move?







What you can do...



- Strengthen Relationships: Reach out to students and their families. Learn their stories.
- Messages Matter: Communicate clearly that anti-immigrant bullying and harassment is unacceptable.
- **Don't Be a Bystander:** Ensure you intervene if you hear it and respond immediately when you hear about it.
- Student Pulse Checks: Regularly take pulse checks on student feelings belonging.
- Safe Sharing Spaces and Systems: Ensure students know how and where share their concerns and report bullying and discrimination.
- **Review Policies:** Review bullying/harassment policies to explicitly address anti-immigrant bullying
- Reflect, Learn, and Grow: Take a self-assessment to assess your own practice.

Building Belonging Across the Community



- Bring People Together: Create opportunities for the school community as a whole to get together and know each other.
- **Share Stories:** Encourage staff, students, and families to share their stories of migration though projects like Moving Stories or Our Threads.
- Community Engagement: Partner with community organizations and museums on cultural events for the students, the whole school community, and on staff professional learning.
- **Make Diversity Visible:** Ensure that your school hallways and communication reflect the diversity of your student body and their families.

Curriculum and Teaching



Right Now: Address anti-immigrant prejudice in the classroom

- Teach students to recognize anti-immigrant stereotypes
- Adapt the Power of Words lesson for your students and Setting
- Introduce <u>Re-Imagining Migration's Rumor Review App</u>
- Ensure that your current teaching about migration builds understanding not bias.

Three Resources



- <u>Suggestions for Responding to Anti-Immigrant Taunts and Bullying in School</u>
- <u>Teaching About Anti-Immigrant Stereotypes: A Tip Sheet</u> for <u>Educators</u>
- The Power of Words: Recognizing and Responding to Anti-Immigrant Stereotypes

Our Threads





In December 2021, Luma Mufleh, founder and director of Fugees Family, approached iThrive Games and shared a desire to co-create with students a game that highlighted their expertise, built empathy, and supported schools across the nation in accepting incoming refugee students. The three-day iThrive Studio held with Fugees Family led to the creation of Our Threads, a question card game that supports students—refugees and non-refugees—in feeling understood, welcomed, and care for by others. Our Threads is available for purchase here, and all purchases help fund the creation and development of the Fugees students' next game



Takeaways



- Be proactive in creating a welcoming/safe environment.
- Evaluate your current bullying policies and response protocols
- Consider what you know, what you thinking you know, and what you need to know to ensure that all students can learn.
- Doing these is not partisan, it is our responsibility as educators



"...when young people grow up knowing they belong—in a classroom, in a school, in a community, and in a country—they will make a home here and they will go out into the world and do remarkable things."

~ Jessica Lander, Making Americans: Stories of Historic Struggles, New Ideas, and Inspiration in Immigrant Education