

Global Languages

Speaking, reading, learning new cultures

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American Sign Language, French, German, Hebrew, Japanese, Latin, Spanish... these are just some of the languages that the global language department had to offer.

"If you want to learn a language, this is the place to go. It is an interesting area of the school," said **Carly Conlon, 11**.

The department had tons of activities throughout the year, including Deck the Halls. For this event, the halls were decorated with lights and designs for the holiday season.

"I really enjoy seeing all the decorations and projects that are on the walls during the holiday season," said **Julie Sanchez, 11**.

The global language lab was a topic of conversation. The global language lab was made in 2004 and this year there were more computers, new software, and new programs for global language students.

"I think the lab is a great place to learn new things and have fun at the same time," said **Victoria Butterfield, 9**.

"This state of the art lab offers students a way to improve all aspects of a language. Learning a second language is a very personal experience. Many are afraid to make mistakes in front of peers and other need more repetition. Moreover, students can learn at their own pace. Access to the internet allows teachers to push out language practices on an individual need basis. Students can read newspapers and listen to the radio all in the language they are studying," said **Ms. René Hevia**, department supervisor.

Students had seven different languages to choose from at school, and each one of them was fully appreciated. Each language had its own club where students could interact with each other and meet new faces.

TAYLOR KNOWLES, 10, and his group discussed the Spanish verbs. They worked in groups and told each other their thoughts on the assignment. The teachers were always there to help the students.



The global language department has so much variety to it. You would pass by the hallways everyday and it would seem like there would be something different going on in one of the classes or something new always hanging in the hallways.

-David Chapman, 11

The global language department has so much to offer for students. You really feel like you are learning something in the department. The teachers work hard to make the students better and that is what makes it great.

-Katie Post, 9



STUDENTS WORK HARD IN MS. Lindsey Farroh's Spanish class during fifth bell. The global language department was full of students ready and eager to learn. They also could stay after school for help in the language lab.

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