



Vision Statement: Geneva 2030 engages a broad array of community voices by building awareness and information sharing; involving and mobilizing the community toward improving educational outcomes and economic mobility for youth; and co-developing solutions and strategies with community members.

Mission Statement: Geneva 2030 connects and empowers all members of the community to advance equity and support the success of every Geneva child, cradle to career, by creating and transforming the systems that shape opportunity.

Summer 2023 End of Year Report Bilingual Education Action Team

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Executive Summary:

We are currently finishing up our third year as an action team for Geneva 2030 and have been proud of our accomplishments thus far. We had another successful year of creating bilingual blog posts. We most recently created one about how bilingual college students have tutored and supported Geneva's bilingual students in their classrooms and extracurriculars. We also had another successful Day of the Dead event where we invited all community members to come to the Geneva Public Library to enjoy an ofrenda created by Marilu Segura, a bilingual teacher in the bilingual program as well as arts and crafts for children to learn about the holiday. This year we have also created the idea to have a paid HWS bilingual tutor in the schools and/or the public library. We have realized how important a bilingual role model, especially a college student, is to the young bilingual Geneva students and we are working hard to provide that. So we have created a job description and have sent it to Geneva 2030 as well as HWS CCESL so we can begin that process for this upcoming school year.

Highlights/points of success:

Communication: For communication, we have been working hard to ask the bilingual teachers in the bilingual program how we can be of assistance to them and we have been trying to meet their requests. We have also been in good communication with CCESL at HWS with creating our new position for this year.

Collaboration: We have collaborated with both HWS students and faculty either through having students participating in the bilingual classrooms as well as helping at our Dia de los Muertos event. We have also worked with the GCSD bilingual program teachers to see how we can best support them and offer help in their classrooms. In May and June four HWS students volunteered in Marilu's first grade classroom (under the direction of May and Audrey).

We also have one hopeful implementation and two successful events/activities to report:

1. **GCSB bilingual student support.** We are hoping to have a very successful collaboration with the HWS Center of Community Engagement and Service Learning through having a bilingual HWS student tutor in either the elementary schools or at the public library. We believe that this would be very beneficial for the young Latinx Geneva population.
2. **Día de los Muertos.** Every fall we host a Día de los Muertos event at the Geneva Public Library. We will continue that tradition this fall with the arts and crafts we normally do as well as hopefully have an ofrenda by Marilu Segura.
3. **Blog posts.** We will continue to write our blog posts and try to find new ideas for posts that are beneficial for the Latinx community. We are always very intentional with our topics and themes and will continue to do this.

Goals for next year:

- Continue to ask who is not being heard and create space for those voices;
- Continue writing blog posts and posting them to our websites so we can create more resources for the Geneva Spanish speaking population;
- Create more community events similar to our Day of the Dead celebration that we have every fall at the library;
- Placing an HWS bilingual student at Boys and Girls Club and/or elementary schools for tutoring

Links/photos/other items:

<https://vamosgeneva2030.wixsite.com/welcome>