UBD–Fulbright Brazil

Title: Carnival around the World Production

STAGE 1–DESIRED RESULTS

Established Goals:
- To design, produce & perform a Brazilian-style Carnival experience for the school’s student body and the community.

Understandings:
Students will understand that:
- A culture can be celebrated and expressed in a performance through the arts.
- Each culture has its own traditions of expression in the arts.
- The cross-pollination of cultures is a benefit to all.

Essential Questions:
- Why is cross-cultural pollination a benefit to all?
- Can a major arts production involving students from all backgrounds help to bridge the gap between the traditional and Brazilian student population at our school?

Students will know:
- how to research, design and produce a carnival-style production for the entire school to experience.

Students will be able to:
- participate in the design, production and performance of “Carnival around the World” through their participation in Brazilian music, dance, language, fashion and visual arts.
- observe the production of Carnival around the World.
- present their production to the community.

STAGE 2–ASSESSMENT EVIDENCE

Performance Tasks:
- The research and creation of music, costumes, masks, dance, food, floats for Carnival around the World.

Other Evidence:
- The final production of Carnival around the World and how the audience responds to the student body and the community.

STAGE 3–LEARNING PLAN

Learning Activities:
Fall Semester

World Languages
- Introduction to the concept of the Carnival celebration worldwide.
- Research the components of the carnival celebration.
- Choreograph individual class dances for Carnival around the World production.

Drama
- Choreographing overall 90 minute Carnival around the World production.
- Design the Master of Ceremonies script for the Carnival around the World production.

Music
- Research and develop carnival music from around the world.

Food
- School food service and culinary arts will develop food and menus for Carnival.

Visual Arts
- Design & create masks for Carnival around the World production.
- Design & build floats for Carnival around the World production.
- Design & create costumes for Carnival around the World production.

Fall Semester thru March 19th
- Coordinate production elements and dress rehearsal.
- Carnival around the World performance on March 19th during the day for the school student body and again in the evening for the community.