

### Local to Global Rubrics Glossary:

- **Contemporary Global Issues** – Those issues which are important for understanding the current state of affairs in the world.
- **Effective Communication** – a two-way process that includes sending the right message that is also being correctly received and understood by the other person/s who is receiving it on the other end.
- **Diversity** – Of religious adherence and belief, ethnicity, multi-ethnicity, race, sex, gender, economic status, disability, health, education, power, authority, and thought, for examples.
- **Frame of Reference** - a structure of concepts, values, customs, views, etc., by means of which an individual or group perceives or evaluates data, communicates ideas, and regulates behavior.
- **Human Agency** – The range of choices, decisions, and actions that people enact on the world.
- **Global Change** – Those ways in which the human and physical worlds are changing, especially due to the effects of human agency. For example, the growth and spread of: capitalism, women’s rights, human rights, religious pluralism, global norms, technology, the ability to travel, pollution, deforestation, cultural practices and ideas, LGBT issues, market economies, political issues, manufacturing, etc.
- **Global Processes** – Observable patterns of behavior &/or activity (either human or natural) that influence how life is lived and what options are open to whom.
- **Global Systems** – the complex and overlapping worldwide systems, including natural systems (those systems associated with the natural world including biological, chemical, and physical sciences) and human systems (those systems developed by humans such as cultural, economic, political, and built), which operate in observable patterns. These systems influence how life is lived and what options are open to whom.
- **Global Trends** – Beliefs, behaviors, activities, &/or events (either human or natural) that transcend state borders and influence how life is lived and what options are open to whom.
- **Sustainability** – A condition in which physical, environmental, societal, and economic qualities exist in balance to meet the resource needs of today and of future generations
- **Worldview**– The overall perspective from which one sees and interprets the world; the collection of beliefs about life and the universe held by an individual &/or a group.