



**Culture &
Topics in
Education
Guatemalan
Tour**

Presenters

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 - Principal Coach – Cincinnati Public Schools



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Why:

- Regional immigrant population has increased by 250% in the last 5 years.
- A large percentage of CPS LEP population comes from families that are from Guatemala, Mexico, and other Central American countries.
- The challenges of being a responsible, effective educator are now more diverse than ever – **One size does not fit all when it comes to education.**

How did we respond?

- CPS partnered with the Live a Language Foundation and Amigo Ministries
- In July, 2015, nineteen CPS teachers and administrators traveled to Guatemala.
 - The group visited schools
 - Met with government officials
 - Visited families separated from members currently living in Cincinnati



Purpose:

- To gain deeper insight into CPS students' cultural and educational background.
- To enhance classroom curricular strategies and establish global contacts.



This is our experience...



**What questions do
you have for us?**



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SEMILLA.**



For more information, please visit...

- Live a Language Foundation

<http://livealanguage.org/programs/professional-development/>

- Documentary

- <https://youtu.be/f3IMC5yPEYM>