We believe that in order for our students to become Globally Competent citizens, workers, and leaders, that we need to equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful in an increasingly interconnected world.

By investing in our youth and providing a shared sense of global competence, we believe our children will be better able to think creatively and critically in order to investigate and solve issues of global significance, better preparing them for the world in which we live.

Global competence is the ability to understand and intentionally act on issues of global significance.

A hands on understanding of the world is the foundation of global competence. Students demonstrate Global Competence through awareness and curiosity about how the world works. Specifically, globally competent students are able to perform the following four Global Competencies:

- **Investigate the World**: Students investigate the world beyond their immediate environment
- **Communicate Ideas**: Students communicate their ideas effectively with others
- **Recognize Perspectives**: Students recognize their own and others’ perspectives
- **Take Action**: Students translate their ideas and findings into appropriate, self-motivated actions to improve the world around them
**Our Vision**
Go Global!
Investigate the World
Recognize Perspectives
Communicate Ideas
Take Action

**Our Mission**
Ponderosa will foster globally competent students who investigate the world, recognize perspectives, communicate ideas and take action by:
- Thinking critically and creatively
- Using technology intuitively
- Caring for self and others
- Exhibiting leadership through collaboration
- Having a social sense of responsibility

**Panda Pledge**
As Pandas, we show **Integrity** by being **Respectful, Responsible** and **Fair-Minded**.
We strive to **Persevere**.

Ponderosa Elementary
School of Global Learning
also offers its students:
- Smartboards in every classroom
- Spanish for all students
- An Intensive Learning Center
- Annual grade-level global curriculum showcases
- Global assemblies
- Over 550 years of combined educator experience
- Thompson Integrated Early Childhood
- A health and wellness focus
- Before and After School Enrichment (BASE Camp)
- Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS)
- Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Accountability Committee (SAC)
- Choir
- Mileage Club
- Garden Club
- Pandas Taking Action
- And more! Check out our website at www.ponderosapandas.com

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