

GEBG Endorsement and Evaluation FAQ

The GEBG Global Education Standards provide a set of benchmarks that can be used to guide member schools in growing and evolving responsible global education programs and with prudent professional practice. We offer an Endorsement process and an Evaluation process for member schools in good standing that uses these benchmarks as a framework for providing recommendations and commendations.

FAQ:

What is the difference between a GEBG Endorsement and a GEBG Evaluation?

The GEBG Global Education **Evaluation** is a consultation process by which **a school's global program is reviewed, including recommendations and commendations**, without going through the official Endorsement process. The evaluation is conducted by a global education consultant to **help a school assess their global program, identify areas of strength, and recognize areas of needed growth.**

The GEBG Global Education Standards **Endorsement** is an independent process that seeks to **recognize schools with significant global education programs.** The GEBG Endorsement is **granted to schools found to be meeting with all applicable benchmarks (standards).** The final Endorsement Report also provides suggestions and recommendations.

Do I need to do both an Endorsement and an Evaluation?

No, schools may apply for either process independently of the other.

What is the process for a GEBG Endorsement or Evaluation?

The process for Endorsements and Evaluations is generally very similar.

Any GEBG member school that is in good standing that has had a global program for at least three years may apply. If a school is not a member of GEBG, please review criteria for membership [here](#).

An authorized school administrator should fill out the interest form below to initiate the Endorsement/Evaluation process.

Once the process officially begins,

1. A GEBG Endorsement/Evaluation Reviewer with extensive global education and school accreditation experience will be assigned to begin the process.
2. The school will conduct a self study first, with guided materials and produce a GEBG Standards Report to be submitted to the GEBG Evaluation/Endorsement Committee
3. The reviewer will arrange an initial meeting, either in person or online, approximately six months in advance of the site visit to discuss the endorsement process. This meeting will involve the GEBG Reviewer and the person responsible for global programs at the school. After this initial meeting, and based on the program's readiness to demonstrate compliance with the Standards, the Reviewer may either recommend that the school proceed with the process or recommend that the school postpone the visit due to issues with the school meeting the minimum standards. The Reviewer will provide recommendations on how best to address those issues
4. If all is in order, the Reviewer will arrange for a visit (in-person and/or virtual, as necessary) to interview relevant stakeholders of the school (Board, Administration, Staff, Faculty, Students, and Parents); make observations, and review documents including but not limited to, the school website, surveys, legal statements, manuals, published statements from the head of school and/or other stakeholders. The length of the visit is between one and two regular school days.
5. The Reviewer will write a GEBG Standards Report based on GEBG Standards that provides an extensive overview and self study of how the school complies with the GEBG Standards.

Once the report is submitted, a school must meet all of the standards in order to earn an Endorsement.

With an Evaluation, the report is provided to the school as an opportunity for planning, feedback, and growth.

What deliverables can be expected from the Endorsement/Evaluation?

With each process, a GEBG Standards Report will be submitted to the school. The report provides an extensive overview of how the school complies with the GEBG Standards and will make suggestions and recommendations for improvement to support the school in complying with the standards.

How long is an Endorsement valid for?

A GEBG Endorsement lasts for five years.

How much does an Endorsement or Evaluation cost?

The schools requesting the GEBG Endorsement or Evaluation will pay for all usual expenses associated with the visit. This includes:

- \$2800 GEBG Endorsement/Evaluation Fee
- Transportation
 - Roundtrip airfare (where the school is more than 200 miles from the GEBG Reviewer's home,) appropriate lodging, meals (\$70/day), and local transportation costs for the initial GEBG Reviewer visit.
 - Ground travel (where a school is less than 200 miles from the GEBG Reviewer's home), \$0.50/mile.