

**Ten Questions to Ask Your State Policymakers
(Governors, State Superintendents, State Legislators)**

- 1) What are your state's current (and future) connections to other parts of the world, including economic development/jobs, cultural exchanges and population diversity?
- 2) Has your state developed a formal policy to promote international knowledge and skills? If so, describe it.
- 3) How can international education be incorporated into school reform efforts already underway in your state?
- 4) Do your state's existing standards and assessments incorporate international content in a meaningful way across all of the major subject areas?
- 5) How can your state provide or increase incentives for schools to teach about the world?
- 6) What opportunities do students and teachers in your state have to learn world languages, including less commonly taught languages?
- 7) How can teacher preparation and certification programs be strengthened and internationalized?
- 8) How can your state tap the resources of higher education and the business community to promote students and teachers' international knowledge/skills?
- 9) How can your state's technology and distance learning infrastructure be used to strengthen international education?
- 10) How can your state expand students' and teachers' participation in international partnerships and exchanges?