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New Brunswick students visit Hungary

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ (June 21, 2017) – As part of the New Brunswick Sister Cities Association educational and cultural exchange program, four Woodrow Wilson School students, two New Brunswick staff members, and a New Brunswick firefighter and his son recently traveled to the central European nation of Hungary.

There, the group spent the first day of its visit in the historic capital city, Budapest, and the remaining eight days of its stay in the renowned cultural center of Debrecen – with which New Brunswick has enjoyed a 25-year sister city relationship.

The four students who represented Woodrow Wilson School during this year's cultural exchange trip were Ashley Caldwell, Erin Eckert, Sheila Nunez-Duran, and Levanía Velsaco-Uscamaita.

"Any trip to a foreign destination is likely to be a powerful educational experience," noted Dr. Aubrey Johnson, superintendent, New Brunswick Public Schools. "For years to come, these four Woodrow Wilson students will be able to talk about visiting historic places that very few Americans have seen."

Accompanying the students as chaperones were Woodrow Wilson School teacher Annamaria Papp and Woodrow Wilson School Media Specialist Michael Leone.

Also joining the trip was New Brunswick firefighter Fred Obado and his son, Madden Obado. The Obado family has a long history of active involvement with the New Brunswick Sister Cities Association.

Encouraging involvement in educational, political, cultural, and economic activities, the New Brunswick Sister Cities Association works to build mutually-beneficial, cross-cultural relationships with its sister city.

Photos of the New Brunswick students visiting Hungary are [available here](#).

About New Brunswick Public Schools

The New Brunswick, NJ public school district consists of two high schools (New Brunswick High School and Health Sciences Technology High School), a middle school (New Brunswick Middle School) and nine elementary schools (Lincoln, Lincoln Annex, Livingston, Lord Stirling, McKinley, Redshaw, Roosevelt, Paul Robeson Community School for the Arts, and Woodrow Wilson schools). The New Brunswick Public Schools offer a comprehensive educational program for students in grades pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade and serve more than 10,000 students.

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