Reading Reflection 2: Educating Global Citizens in a Diverse World

The article written by James Banks discusses the need for diversity and unity at the same time in communities across the globe. Because Western countries continue to grow with different ethnic groups migrating to them, it becomes very important to be able to recognize and understand these different ethnic communities and cultures while still maintaining a central culture amongst the nations and hopefully to obtain one global identity as a whole.

One thing I found problematic about the article is the author's use of democratic to describe his vision of a globalized world. I feel the author has a very westernized view and he himself doesn't take into full scope how varied the world is. There are many countries in the world that do not hold a democratic view and thusly would not fit into Banks's view of a globalized community. In order to truly achieve a globalized community I feel Banks must adopt an even broader mindset of different cultures and societies and think of a way to incorporate them all.