What is GLOBE?
The Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) Program is an international science and education program that provides students, teachers and scientists from around the world with the opportunity to participate in data collection and the scientific process, and contribute meaningfully to our understanding of the Earth system and global environment. GLOBE students collect observations in four investigation areas: Atmosphere, Biosphere, Hydrosphere, and Soil (Pedosphere).

What do GLOBE Partners do?
GLOBE Partners (Country Coordinators and U.S. Partners) facilitate the implementation of GLOBE in their country or within a service area of their country. Partners recruit GLOBE schools, as well as provide training opportunities and mentoring activities for GLOBE teachers to promote the teaching and learning of science, enhance environmental literacy and stewardship, and promote scientific discovery.

In the U.S., nonprofit or governmental organizations, whose priorities focus on support of student inquiry and research about the environment, are invited to become U.S. GLOBE Partners. In addition, businesses and organizations whose corporate mission is to invest in successful educational outcomes of students and the community at large are also welcome to become U.S. GLOBE Partners. Each U.S. GLOBE Partner must have a formal affiliation with an institution of higher education, a school district, a State Department of Education, or a recognized informal education organization (501c3) such as STEM learning centers, museums, and foundations, leading to sustainable implementation of GLOBE in their community. View a list of current GLOBE U.S. Partners at www.globe.gov

This basic criterion is applied in the consideration of all U.S. Partners in all states and U.S. territories. Potential Partners must also demonstrate, in their application, the capacity to recruit, train, mentor, and conduct follow-up activities with the GLOBE teachers in the identified service area, with these efforts focused on capacity-building, programmatic sustainability, and support of student inquiry and research.

Internationally, GLOBE is implemented through bilateral agreements between the U.S. government and governments of partner nations. If you would like information about becoming a GLOBE partner, please contact the GLOBE Help Desk at help@globe.gov