

**Brett Kitazono '20** helps prep lemonade and quesadillas for the Mexican restaurant. "I think [the World Cafe] adds a lot of culture and a lot of worldliness," Kitazono said. Although Kitazono was not part of SHH, he still enjoyed volunteering. ➡

**Michael Edwards II '21** was learning salsa dancing in the Spanish room. "It's pretty cool. It's good learning about all the different cultures I don't know about," Edwards said. While learning the dance, Edwards had a personal dancing competition with friend, Skyler Morgan '21. Edwards believes he won. ▼



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## [World Languages]

Five countries, 1 hallway. The World Cafe was in full swing with Mexican and French cuisine in classrooms, a scavenger hunt to teach students ASL, and the spiciest food from India. "I feel like to the Rampart community, [the World Cafe] adds such a different perspective of culture and it's just really interesting to see what our culture can come up with to present these other cultures," Lexis Anderson '20 said. The cultures within World Cafe are made up of the

cultures within the school: French, Spanish, Indian, ASL, Swing Dancing, Mandarin, and KPop. "We see in Rampart a lot of European culture like Spain and France, but this is an asian culture, so it's a whole new experience and a new language," Cindy Wilson '21 said. Diversity is a strong aspect of this school's culture. "I think it's important that everyone celebrates the differences that they have because they are gonna be there whether you try to hide them or not," Aaron Spalding '21

said. Although crepes and quesadillas are a nice treat, World Cafe gives more rewards than just new foods. "I think it really appreciates all the other cultures that are out there. Since Mandarin has been introduced, it involves another culture that most of Rampart hasn't seen yet," Arianna Garza '19 said. World Cafe makes the whole world feel a little closer to home. **story by lauren hines**





▲ **Yelin Park '20** and the KPop team pose for a picture at the World Cafe. The KPop room featured a quick instructional dance in order to get students interested.

▲ **Paige Dawdy '21** moves with the group at the Spanish dancing room. Many people participated in this club's activity, and all came out with another bit of knowledge from yet another culture.

▲ **Cameron Burttschi '20** laughs with his friends at the Hispanic restaurant room. "My favorite part of the World Cafe was learning about all these different cultures that kind of co-exist here," Burttschi said. Burttschi and friends got to learn more by ordering in Spanish.

**Julia Lashlee '23** expresses herself through American Sign Language at the World Cafe. "The scavenger hunt was really fun, I had a good time," Lashlee said. The ASL club taught others ASL through a scavenger hunt.

## [Mandarin]

Starting the second half of 2018 the school introduced the new foreign language, Mandarin, to its student body. "Having the opportunity to learn another language, especially Mandarin, it's gonna be a lot more culturally different and culturally new than what we're used to, especially from just learning French or Spanish," Tyra Marlar '19 said. At the World Cafe, Mandarin had its own room filled with activities like Chinese calligraphy and Diabolo (Chinese yo-yo), taught by Maxton Graham '22. Learning about other cultures help fit the whole world in this small corner of Colorado. *story by lauren hines*

