

Good morning world language professionals!

2019 is off to a great start! We have so many reasons to be excited in the area of World Language/Global Education. We now have 8 new courses that will expand options for both Spanish native speakers and for Dual Language Immersion students. Both Seal programs continue to grow at a rapid pace. The International Skills Diploma Seal, established in May 2015, now has 97 participating high schools. During the 2016-2017 school year, 540 Seals were awarded. Last school year, that number climbed to 922 seals! We are excited to see all of these students getting recognized for their focus on international skills that will make them more competitive in the global Georgia economy. Since May of 2016, when the Georgia Seal of Biliteracy was established, we have seen a near doubling of the seals awarded. In the 2016-2017 school year, Georgia students earned 1,133 seals in 26 participating districts in 7 languages. In the 2017-2018 school year, this number increased to 2,125 seals in 33 districts in 11 languages. We have also recently released new guidance for DLI program administrators about how DLI connects with ESOL and what federal funds can be used and how in support of these programs. Our DLI in a Day professional development day was well attended with nearly 100 teachers in 5 different languages and our first German Immersion Workshop was also well attended with representatives from all of Ga's current German DLI programs. There is, of course, a lot more but I'll let you read about that below! Special shout out to Ms. Ferris, our January World Language Educator of the Month! We appreciate all of you and together, we are making a difference for Georgia's children and future!

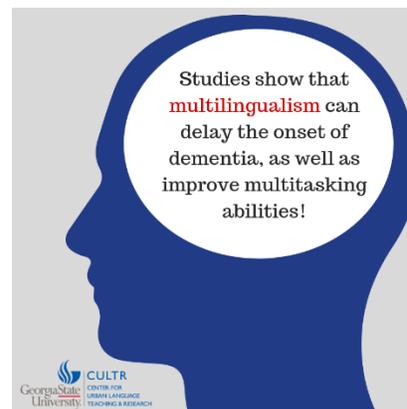
A Reminder: These updates are archived on the bottom of our professional development page [here](#) and the calendar has been updated below.

- Looking for a job? – Be sure to check out our openings listed later in the update.
- [View the January Curriculum & Instruction Newsletter via this link!](#)
- The Georgia Department of Education World Languages and Global Workforce Initiatives is very excited to announce that **8 new world language courses** were approved by the State Board of Education at their annual January meeting. These 8 new courses will expand opportunities for Spanish native speaking students and provide much needed DLI course options at the middle school level. The new courses are...

- Spanish for Native Speakers Level 3 (60.07920)
- DLI Advanced Language Literacy 6th Grade (67.01000)
- DLI Culture and History 6th Grade (67.02000)
- DLI Culture and History 7th Grade (67.03000)
- DLI Culture and History 8th Grade (67.04000)
- DLI Media Literacy 6th Grade (67.05000)
- DLI Media Literacy 7th Grade (67.06000)
- DLI Media Literacy 8th Grade (67.07000)

Our sincere thanks to all our state partners that have participated in the drafting and review of these courses.

- The **submission portals for both of Georgia's Seals are open...**
  - [The Seal of Biliteracy Portal is here.](#) *(If your district has a world language coordinator, check with them prior to submitting to determine district policy)*
    - The Deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup> for Students earning the seal via previous AP or IB exams or if they have taken a proficiency test in a non-AP/IB Language via Tier 2 on the Chart of approved tests. (which you can also view at the [bottom of our Seal of Biliteracy Page](#))



- We have also recently been adding promotional materials in a variety of Languages...these I will load onto the above page
  - [Please reference our Guidance at a Glance Doc](#) or contact me with any additional questions. ([pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us))
- [The International Skills Diploma Seal Portal is here.](#) *(If your district has a world language coordinator, check with them prior to submitting to determine district policy)*
  - The Deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - The deadline to report ISDS STAR students for ISDS Awards Ceremony is April 15<sup>th</sup> as well [and can be done via this link.](#)
  - Only for approved ISDS programs. [\(See list here\)](#)
  - More information on [our ISDS Website here.](#)
  - The ISDS Awards Ceremony will take place at the DOE on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am. [Submit ISDS STAR Student Info via this link.](#) (1 per school)
  - [Please reference our Guidance at a Glance Doc](#) or contact me with any additional questions. ([pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us))
- The Georgia Department of Education World Languages and Global Workforce Initiatives is pleased to report that in cooperation with our ESOL & Federal Programs Departments at the Georgia Department of Education, we have created a [Dual Language Immersion, ESOL and Federal Programs guidance document that is now available via this link.](#) We have updated our [Dual Language Immersion Initiative](#) website to include this guidance as well.
- We are collecting quotes from business leaders (international and domestic) and professionals engaged in International/global commerce in Georgia to include in some new outreach materials to Georgia High School students considering pursuing the Georgia Seal of Biliteracy or the International Skills Diploma Seal. If you are interested in providing a quote, please message us and we will provide more details. Thank you in advance! Please message us at [pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us)
- Registration is now open for the [Foreign Language Association of Georgia's \(FLAG\) Conference](#) March 8-9<sup>th</sup> in Augusta. Deadline for online registrations is February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019. [Register via this link.](#)
- [FLAG Spoken Language Contest Dates](#) have been announced and registration is now open! [More information via this link.](#)  
Metro Spoken Language Contest will be held on Saturday, March 16, at McEachern HS in Cobb County – [Register via this link.](#)  
The FLES contest will be Saturday, April 27 [at Warren T. Jackson ES](#)  
The Savannah contest will be held on Saturday, March 2 at [Islands HS.](#) [Register via this link](#)
- [SCOLT](#) has released their SCOLTALK Winter Conference Edition. [You can view it here.](#) Have you registered for the SCOLT conference in Myrtle Beach March 21 -23<sup>rd</sup>? [Find out more here!](#)
- SCOLT is offering several scholarship opportunities for WL teachers in the region. The deadline to apply is January 31<sup>st</sup>. [You can find out more via this link.](#)



- Mark your calendars and help spread the word, the **2nd annual Georgia World Language Job Fair** will be held on Saturday, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9am – 12pm at North Atlanta HS. GaPSC Representatives will be on hand as well as area districts and schools seeking WL/immersion teachers for next year! [See the flyer here!](#)

## The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Statewide Georgia World Language Job Fair

Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> 9am – 12:00pm

North Atlanta High School



Are you **looking for a job as a world language teacher** in Georgia?  
 Want to **connect with the Georgia PSC** and find out about **certification pathways** in the area of world languages?  
 Want to discover what opportunities exist for you to **further your degree in world languages or education**?

**Make your plans to attend today! Bring your Resumes and your questions!**

The Georgia Department of Education World Languages is happy to announce that the 2nd annual statewide world language job fair will take place on Saturday, February 23rd at North Atlanta High School from 9am - 12pm. The job fair will feature booths from Georgia districts hiring world language teachers for the 2019-2020 school year, sessions from the Georgia Professional Standards Commission on world language certification pathways and information on programs for continuing education from university and college partners.



- Have you gotten your badge yet? **3 new free courses are available to anyone in the world** (That's right...free to the world) that will introduce you to the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statement Framework! The 3<sup>rd</sup> in the series is now available introducing teachers to the Intercultural Communication Can-Do Statements. [Find out more about all 3 courses by visiting our professional development page here.](#)
- The Georgia Department of Education World Languages, in collaboration with Berry College, is pleased to offer the 1st annual **Northwest Georgia World Language Expo** on the beautiful campus of Berry College on Saturday, Feb 9th from 9am - 2pm! [Register via this link!](#)
- Did you know that Georgia Virtual has number of shared resources available [via this website](#). Resources from Chinese, Japanese, French, Latin, German and Spanish.
- [Check out this great list of French American Events taking place this winter!](#)
- The **Georgia Dual Language Immersion In A Day** Family Professional Development event was a big success! Thank you to all the teachers, administrators, higher Ed faculty, parents and other stakeholders who attended and a special thanks to our session presenters!
- Are you an educator looking for exciting, immersive #PD? Are you interested in bringing global lessons to your classroom? Take your #GlobalEd game to the next level with the @NEAFoundation **Global Learning Fellowship!** App now open! <http://bit.ly/2xuXd7X> #NEAFGlobal #TeachSDGs **Deadline Feb 4<sup>th</sup>!**



- The Georgia Department of Education World Languages, in collaboration with the Savannah Chatham Public School System, is pleased to announce the **2nd Annual World Language Leadership Institute** on April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. This institute is designed for state, district and school level world language leadership, state and regional cultural partners, university and college world language leadership and others involved in promoting and supporting international education and global workforce development. [Here is a link to our draft agenda.](#) [We ask all attendee to register via this link.](#)

**Announcing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Georgia World Language Leadership Institute**  
**April 11-12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Savannah Georgia**  
**Save the dates!**



**Who is it designed for?**

- State & district Level world language leadership, state and regional cultural partners, university and college world language leadership and regional and state leadership involved in promoting and supporting international education and global workforce development.

**Goals or the Institute:**

- An opportunity for world language & international education Leadership from across the state and region to learn from each other, network and spend time together!
- An opportunity for leaders to receive Professional Development specifically related to your work!
- An opportunity for leaders from various levels to discuss statewide & regional curriculum, goals and direction regarding world languages.
- Highlighted speakers and programs from the state and region.
- Specific Goals as determined for each year.



- Are you interested in learning more about the great [Dual Language Immersion Education Programs at Georgia State University](#)? Start your endorsement today! Ga needs you!
- The Georgia Department of Education World Languages in partnership with the [Georgia Foundation for Public Education](#) is once again pleased to provide a limited number of competitive grants available to Georgia Dual Language Immersion Programs. The application is below. The deadline to apply is March 2nd, 2019. [The application and rubric are available on our website here.](#)
- The Cultural Services of the French Embassy in partnership with University of Memphis and GSU-CULTR are organizing, on March 5 and March 6, two free workshops on how to integrate contemporary French and Francophone culture in the classroom. Find out more here! <http://frenchlanguagek12.org/9402-french-teacher-training-w...>

**DATES AND LOCATIONS:**

- Tuesday, March 5 at University of Memphis, Jones Hall 249, Memphis TN 38152
- Wednesday, March 6 at GSU-CULTR, 25 Park Place, Atlanta, GA 30303, Room 1909.

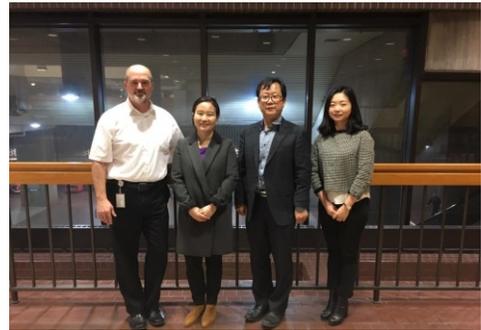
- Looking for a way to support Dual Language Immersion Programs in Georgia? Consider donating [by following this link](#) and be sure to designate your donation towards Dual Language Immersion. These funds support grants to DLI programs in Georgia!
- If you teach German in the Southeast and would like for a **Goethe-Zentrum** team member to visit your school or classroom, they want to hear from you! Their presentations can accommodate middle school, high school, and university programs. To coordinate a classroom visit to your school, please contact: [outreach@german-institute.org](mailto:outreach@german-institute.org).

**CORE PRACTICES**  
For World Language Learning

- Facilitate Target Language Comprehensibility**  
Students and teachers speak, listen, read, write, view, and create in the target language 50% or more during classroom time: comprehensible input, contexts, and interactions.
- Guide Learners through Interpreting Authentic Resources**  
Present interactive reading and listening comprehension tasks using authentic cultural texts with appropriate scaffolding while providing interpretation.
- Design Oral Interpersonal Communication Tasks**  
Teachers design and carry out interpersonal communication tasks for pairs, small groups, and whole class instruction.
- Plan with Backward Design Model**  
Instructors identify desired results THEN determine acceptable evidence THEN plan learning experiences and instruction.
- Teach Grammar as Concept and Use in Context**  
Teach grammar as concept and use in context. Students focus on meaning BEFORE form.
- Provide Appropriate Oral Feedback**  
Oral corrective feedback is a tool for mediating learning and language development.

Do you know about ACTFL's Core Practices? [Find out more via this link.](#)

- We are happy to announce new [\*\*world language educator professional development training workshops\*\*](#) in southern Georgia and in the Metro region in collaboration with Georgia's RESAs in those areas. The dates for those trainings are below. Additional PD workshops will be forthcoming. We look forward to seeing you there!  
**South Georgia PD opportunities**  
[South GA World Language Symposium Day 1: Instructional Leaders](#) March 18, 2019 10:00-2:00 at CPRESA in Lenox (District and School Leaders - lunch provided)  
[South GA World Language Symposium Day 2: Teachers](#) March 19, 2019 9:00-3:00 at CPRESA in Lenox (Teachers - breakfast and lunch provided)
- The AATG Georgia Chapter has announced that the annual State German Convention will be held February 1-2 of this year. [More information is available on their website.](#)
- Save the Date – The AATF French Immersion Weekend will take place Feb 22-24<sup>th</sup>. [More information via this link.](#)
- Want some information on how to use Tech tools in the modern language classroom? [Check out this workshop offered by CULTR on February 16<sup>th</sup>.](#)
- Do you know a current world language teacher that has made a difference in your life or the lives of others! Do you know a teacher who goes above and beyond to provide students the critical language and cultural competencies needed for the workforce of today and tomorrow? Whether you are a parent, student, colleague or citizen, we invite you to tell us about them! [Please fill out our online nomination form here.](#) **Thank you in advance!**
- Mr. James Coda, a doctoral candidate in the Department of Language and Literacy Education at the University of Georgia, is conducting research to examine the experiences of Southeastern LGBTQ identified World Language Educators in their classrooms and schools. If you are interested in participating, please reach out him at [jec37307@uga.edu](mailto:jec37307@uga.edu) for more information.
- Each year, the College Board awards scholarships for qualifying teachers to attend an AP Summer Institute (APSI). They also award scholarships to teachers who are required to attend an AP Capstone professional development event. [Find out more via this link.](#) Deadline is Feb 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The 2019 ACTFL summer scholarship applications are now open for Arabic, Chinese, French, Italian, Persian and Spanish languages! Apply today! <https://bit.ly/2SFwrDI>
- IB programs are growing in the state of Ga. Another indication of the growing realization and importance of providing a globally competitive education with strong world language programs. Sandy Creek HS in Fayette county is seeking to join a growing number of schools. [See the story here.](#) Find out more about IB programs on our [professional development page here.](#)
- Deadlines for the Boren Fellowship and Scholarships are approaching! Don't miss an opportunity to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests. Fellowship deadline is 1/30 and scholarship deadline is 2/7. [More information via this link.](#)
- Have you heard of the Asian-Pacific Children's Convention? – a free program for 10-11 year-old students to travel to Japan this summer from July 14-25. They are seeking applications from any interested 5th and 6th grade students. [For more information contact our friends from the Japanese American Society of Georgia.](#) Deadline for students to apply is Feb 5th.



*We enjoyed meeting with members of the Atlanta Korean Educational Center to discuss ways to support the learning of Korean language and culture in Ga and developing Korean teachers for the future!*

- [Georgia receives preschool development grant through DECAL](#). The money will also service to develop groups and opportunities for educators to share best practices and help create programs that support dual language learners in the state.
- Six students from the University of North Georgia were awarded the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships. “I’m excited that this group reflects UNG’s diversity of programs, majors and campuses,” said Dr. Anastasia Lin. [Read the article!](#)
- The Vergilian Society has scholarships for four participants – sometimes covering half or full tuition. [There is a separate scholarship page on the Vergilian Society webpage here](#) for any teachers that are interested in more information. Deadline is Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.
- UGA establishes a Russian Flagship Program! [More information here.](#)
- Be sure to check out the Teacher workshops from the Center for Urban Language Teaching and Research. [More information via this link.](#)
- Great Case Study on Dual Language Immersion Programs in North Carolina by Dr. Gunter. [View it here!](#)

## Announcing Language Focus Weeks for the 2018-2019 School Year!

To raise awareness and focus on the languages that Georgia students are learning statewide, we are happy to announce that in the course of this school year, we will be highlighting languages and cultures at various times during the year. Suggested focus weeks are listed below, and we encourage all to join us online via Facebook and Twitter as we celebrate Georgia’s rich linguistic and cultural diversity!

The #s are examples, but we encourage all participants to utilize these hashtags formats (#LearnxxxxInGA) whenever posting something on social media focusing attention on any language during the course of the school year and feel free to tag us in all postings!

Sept 3-7	Latin #LearnLatinInGa
Sept 17-21	Spanish #LearnSpanishInGa
Sept 24-28	ASL #LearnASLInGa
Oct 1-7	German #LearnGermanInGa
Nov 1-7	French - #LearnFrenchInGa
Jan 28 – Feb 1	Chinese #LearnChineseInGa
Feb 18-22	Heritage Language Week - #HeritageLanguagesInGa
March 11-15	Portuguese #LearnPortugueseInGa
April 1-5	Arabic #LearnArabicInGa
April 8-12	Russian #LearnRussianInGa
May 13-17	Japanese #LearnJapaneseInGa



Facebook: [Georgia Department of Education World Languages](#)

Twitter: [gadoeworldlanguages](#)

- Please let us know of any world language teachers receiving awards statewide, we would very much like to join with you in celebrating their accomplishments!
- Likewise, if you know of a program in Georgia that deserves to be highlighted, please contact me at [pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us)

## Teacher Spotlight!

- Congratulations again Ms. Ferris at North Springs HS in Fulton county! You are our World Language Educator of the Month for January and we are proud of you! Ms. Ferris graduated from Clemson University in 2003 with a degree in Secondary Education-Spanish and later earned her master’s degree from the University of Salamanca in Spanish Language and Culture. She has been teaching Spanish in Fulton County for 16 years,



11 in a middle school and 5 at North Springs High School where she teaches currently. She has been the world language department chair for 5 years at North Springs as well. Also, for her first 11 years of teaching, she was the varsity boys' and girls' swim coach at North Springs, and she is currently in her 10th year of coaching the water polo team. She loves teaching the Spanish language to her students, but even more so, she greatly enjoys teaching the culture. "Seeing my students progress throughout the year is extremely rewarding and makes all of the hard work of being a teacher well worth it!"



German Immersion Teachers that came and to those who attended who were interested in becoming Immersion teachers! #WunderbarTogether

- On Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, The Georgia Department of Education World Languages, in cooperation with the International Charter School of Atlanta and the German American Cultural Foundation held the first German Immersion Teacher Workshop. Attendees came from all of Georgia's German Immersion Programs to participate in a morning of sharing best practices, networking and discovering new resources to support their work. Thank you to all of Ga's

- Recently immersion leaders from Atlanta Public Schools interviewed Dr. James Cummins at the La Cosecha DLI Conference. Dr. James Cummins is a Professor with the department of Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning at OISE. Dr. Cummins holds a Canada Resarch Chair (Tier 1) and has been a recipient of the International Reading Association's Albert J. Harris award (1979). He also received an honorary doctorate in Humane Letters from the Bank Street College of Education in New York City (1997). [You can view it here!](#)



- Congratulations to Mrs. Rita Prescott, German teacher at Union Grove High School in Henry county for being named the 2018-2019 STAR Teacher by one of her students. The impact of world language teachers is significant and meaningful! [Frau Prescott](#) has been teaching for 30



years and has taught in Utah, Alabama, Georgia (the longest) and Germany. She has taught German (mainly), English (ESL), Math, and Geography. She loves traveling with students and has taken nearly 15 trips (with them). "Since German teachers are typically solo acts in a school and teach all levels, I get to know my students quite well. I think that is my favorite part of teaching."

- It was wonderful to spend a day recently with our world language family members in Rockdale County! Performance Assessments, Proficiency targets, Can-Do Statements and WL updates were among the topics discussed. A great team of educators and leadership that is leaning forward into languages and global competence! We are excited to see the developments underway there!



## Programs Spotlight!



**Student Art Competition**  
This German-style art festival on **March 23, 2019** will be one of our biggest events next year. It will take place in Avondale Estates with German food, art vendors, acoustic music, storytellers, and a German-centric children's program.

Leading up to the festival, we would like to highlight middle and high school students' talents by displaying their *Kunst* (art) in our auditorium. The theme for the competition is "Frühling in Europa (Spring in Europe)." We are particularly interested in artwork that reflects springtime in Deutschland (Germany), Österreich (Austria), or der Schweiz (Switzerland). We will select between 20-30 pieces to be displayed for the month of März (March).

Submissions are due **February 23**, and we will host a voting event at our offices on March 6.

To apply, download and complete the [Student Art Competition Guidelines & Submission Form](#). Send or deliver the completed form along with your original piece to the Goethe-Zentrum by February 23 at 1 pm.

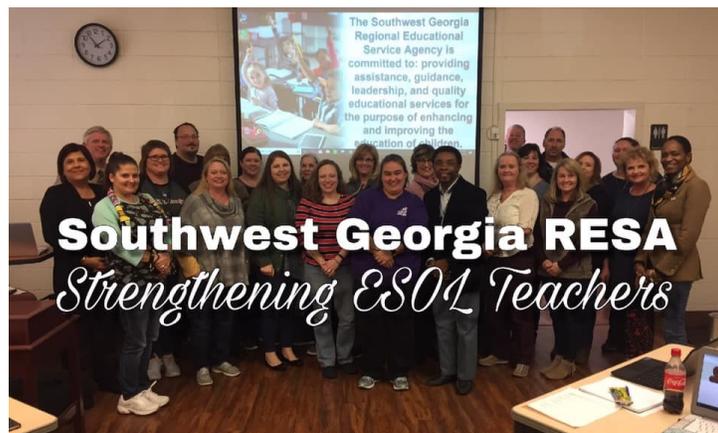
For more information visit the *Frühlingsfest* Website: [www.goethefruehlingsfest.com](http://www.goethefruehlingsfest.com)

- The Goethe-Zentrum Atlanta invites middle and high school student artists to participate in their Frühlingsfest Student Art Competition! They have partnered with the city of Avondale Estates for the first-ever Frühlingsfest (Spring Festival), a German-style art festival which will feature food, performers, and artists from around the Atlanta area. Leading up to the festival, They would like to highlight middle and high school students' talents by displaying their artwork in our auditorium. The theme for the

competition is "Spring in Europe." We are particularly interested in artwork that reflects springtime in Germany, Austria, or Switzerland. We will select between 20-30 pieces to be displayed. [More information can be found here.](#)



- Recently, the Atlanta Opera's Bilingual performance of the Barber of Seville visited several different elementary schools in Gwinnett County and in Atlanta Public Schools. Kudos to [the Atlanta Opera](#) for making this bilingual opportunity available to Ga school systems!
- In January, we had the opportunity to speak virtually with the awesome ESOL teachers and administrators in Southwest Georgia through a partnership with Southwest RESA. It was a great opportunity to share about the latest developments in world language education and Georgia and explore the research and effectiveness of the Dual Language Immersion Model in supporting emergent bilinguals.



## Job Announcements!

### Forsyth County

Spanish DLI Teacher at Brandywine, Cumming, and Kelly Mill Elementary. [Please see job announcement here.](#)

**Liberty County Schools** has a High School Spanish Teacher Vacancy at Bradwell Institute. To apply, please visit - <https://libertyga.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>

**Clayton County Public Schools** is expanding world language options for the 2019-2020 school year. Openings: Chinese K-5, Arabic 9-12, French 6-8, and Spanish 9-12. The district offers a competitive salary and benefits package for teachers. Please send resumes to Dr. Chantal Normil, Director. ([Chantal.normil@clayton.k12.ga.us](mailto:Chantal.normil@clayton.k12.ga.us))

**Lowndes High School** near Valdosta Ga is in need of a long-term sub (for Spanish) for the end of next semester. Interested candidates should contact the school directly. <https://lhs.lowndes.k12.ga.us/>

**Manchester High School** in **Manchester, GA** (*Meriwether County Schools*) is seeking a Spanish Teacher. Please see [job posting here](#) for details or contact Mrs. Sheila Wilson for details at [sheila.wilson@mcsga.org](mailto:sheila.wilson@mcsga.org)

Spanish teacher opening at **Alexander High School** in Douglasville, Georgia. This position needs to be filled as soon as possible. Please contact [Nathan.Hand@dcsga.org](mailto:Nathan.Hand@dcsga.org).

### Dekalb county

German Teacher opening at Kittredge Magnet School. [See the job announcement here.](#)

**Atlanta Public Schools** has 2 openings at ML King Middle School, 1 opening at Miles Elementary School and 1 opening at Hollis Academy. Positions are posted online: [https://ats4.searchsoft.net/ats/job\\_board?softsort=COMPANY\\_ID&COMPANY\\_ID=MA000623&POSTING\\_TYPE\\_ID=00000001&POSTING\\_TYPE\\_ID=WA00000002](https://ats4.searchsoft.net/ats/job_board?softsort=COMPANY_ID&COMPANY_ID=MA000623&POSTING_TYPE_ID=00000001&POSTING_TYPE_ID=WA00000002)

Interested candidates should complete an application online. Please email Dr. Margaret McKenzie, Coordinator for ESOL & World Languages at [mamckenzie@atlanta.k12.ga.us](mailto:mamckenzie@atlanta.k12.ga.us) should you need additional information.

### The International Charter School of Atlanta

The International Charter School of Atlanta is seeking a German immersion teacher for next school year. If interested, please contact [barbara.wiren@icsatlanta.org](mailto:barbara.wiren@icsatlanta.org)

**Clarke County** has a full time Spanish vacancy (grades 6 and 7) at Hilsman Middle School in the Clarke County School District. <https://ccsdjobs.hrplus.net/JobOpenings.aspx> Questions can be emailed to: [careers@clarke.k12.ga.us](mailto:careers@clarke.k12.ga.us)

### Cobb county

A German teaching position is open in Cobb County at North Cobb HS. [More information is available here.](#)

**Clayton County** Public Schools is expanding world language options for the 2018-2019 school year. The district offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Please send resumes to Dr. Chantal Normil, Director. ([Chantal.normil@clayton.k12.ga.us](mailto:Chantal.normil@clayton.k12.ga.us))  
One open position of Spanish Teacher at Mundy's Mill HS.

**Wesley International Academy** is currently seeking highly qualified full-time Middle School Chinese teacher. To apply, please send a resume and a cover letter to [Anthony.Chung@wesleyacademy.org](mailto:Anthony.Chung@wesleyacademy.org)

**Savannah Chatham Schools** is seeking up to 3 Spanish teachers to start off the new year in January! Find out more and apply via this link. <https://wsavlocal.com/teach-savannah/>

**Upcoming World Language Event dates to be aware of.....**

January 28 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">World Language Education Symposium for District and School Level Leaders</a>
February 1 <sup>st</sup>	<a href="#">World Language Education Symposium for World Languages Teachers</a>
Feb 1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<a href="#">AATG State German Convention</a>
Feb 4 <sup>th</sup>	Sprayberry High School DLI Diary Video Taping
Feb 5-7 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">KSU ESOL Conference</a>
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>	Deadlines for <a href="#">the Boren Scholarships</a>
Feb 6 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">7<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Immersion</a>
Feb 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fostering Intercultural Competence Workshop at Middle Ga State
Feb 9 <sup>th</sup>	Northwest Georgia World Language Symposium – Berry College <a href="#">Register via this link!</a>
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Deadline for <a href="#">College Board Scholarships to attend AP summer institutes.</a>
Feb 11-13 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">GCEL Conference</a>
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>	Deadline for online FLAG registrations. <a href="#">Register via this link.</a>
Feb 16 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">CULTR Workshop – Tech Tools for the Modern Language Teacher</a>
Feb 18 - 22	#HeritageLanguagesInGa – Heritage Languages Focus Week
Feb 22-24 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">AATF French Immersion Weekend</a>
Feb 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual World Language Job Fair at North Atlanta HS 9am-12pm. <a href="#">See the flyer here!</a>
Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	K-20 World Language Articulation Team Online Meeting
Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>	Online World Language District Coordinator Meeting
March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	FLAG Savannah Spoken Language contest at <a href="#">Islands HS.</a> <a href="#">Register via this link</a> <a href="#">Deadline to apply for GaDOE DLI Competitive Mini-Grants</a>
March 8-9	<a href="#">FLAG Conference</a> in Augusta
March 7-9	<a href="#">NABE Conference</a> in Florida
March 11-15	#LearnPortugueseInGa – Portuguese Focus Week
March 12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">International TESOL Conference</a> in Atlanta
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March 18 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">South GA World Language Symposium Day 1: Instructional Leaders</a> March 18, 2019 10:00-2:00 at CPRESA in Lenox (District and School Leaders - lunch provided)

March 19 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">South GA World Language Symposium Day 2: Teachers</a> March 19, 2019 9:00-3:00 at CPRESA in Lenox (Teachers - breakfast and lunch provided)
March 21-23 <sup>rd</sup>	<a href="#">SCOLT Conference in Myrtle Beach</a>
April 1-5	#LearnArabicInGa – Arabic Focus Week
April 8-10	#LearnRussianInGa – Russian Focus Week
April 10	World Language K-20 Articulations Team Online Meeting
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	GaDOE WL University/College Advisory Board Meeting Online 1-2pm
April 11 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Georgia World Language Leadership Institute <a href="#">See draft schedule here.</a> <a href="#">Register here.</a>
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">Deadline to report International Skills Diploma Seals</a> <a href="#">Deadline to submit STAR ISDS Students via this link</a>
April 25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Atlanta Global Studies Symposium
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	FLAG FLES contest <a href="#">at Warren T. Jackson ES</a>
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	<a href="#">Deadline to report Seal of Biliteracy needs for Graduation</a>
May 6-10	#LearnChineseInGa – Chinese Focus Week
May 13-17	#LearnJapaneseInGa – Japanese Focus Week
June 16 <sup>th</sup> – July 17 <sup>th</sup>	GHP Program at Berry College
July 24 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	STARTALK Multi-State Pathways to Teaching Institute

- This information and more is available via the professional development calendar on our webpages and on our professional development page [here](#).
- If you have any events that need to be added, please let me know.

### **Useful links for Language Teachers**

- Interpersonal Routines with Scaffolding, Differentiation, and Backward Design  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MF4-DtVYw38&index=2&list=PLfzYQF\\_kjzBTrTtQ1E6ajf1EAHLQFXSgH&t=0s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MF4-DtVYw38&index=2&list=PLfzYQF_kjzBTrTtQ1E6ajf1EAHLQFXSgH&t=0s)
- Spanish resources from CLIC  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/16138bCzOK9OcF95xGUiC6xkRoMgGph5li7Umdt2jl\\_Y/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/16138bCzOK9OcF95xGUiC6xkRoMgGph5li7Umdt2jl_Y/edit)
- Information about AATF Grants and Awards  
<https://frenchteachers.org/hq/awardsandgrants.htm>
- Songs for Spanish class [https://spanishmama.com/songs-in-spanish-for-kids/?fbclid=IwAR2G6WKOMSnbDGNicvzf2LyNFFWlwB2pixsV\\_5uUtNZAKYVODOHsqOhNxy](https://spanishmama.com/songs-in-spanish-for-kids/?fbclid=IwAR2G6WKOMSnbDGNicvzf2LyNFFWlwB2pixsV_5uUtNZAKYVODOHsqOhNxy)

### **Other Related local news**

- Teens get a taste for teaching in Gwinnet County  
<https://www.ajc.com/news/local/teens-get-taste-for-teaching-languages/7gFeim5xRaT629ZLveB1KP/>
- [Georgia receives preschool development grant through DECAL](#). The money will also service to develop groups and opportunities for educators to share best practices and help create programs that support dual language learners in the state.

- Six students from the University of North Georgia were awarded the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships. “I’m excited that this group reflects UNG’s diversity of programs, majors and campuses,” said Dr. Anastasia Lin. [Read the article!](#)
- [The Port of Savannah](#) moved 4.35 million twenty-foot equivalent container units in Calendar Year #2018, its highest annual volume ever, and a 7.5 percent increase over 2017.

**Links to articles related to World Language education.**

- Bilingualism no problem for kids with Down Syndrome  
<https://www.languagemagazine.com/2019/01/21/bilingualism-no-problem-for-children-with-down-syndrome/>
- If you want a successful career, develop this skill  
[https://www.theodysseyonline.com/if-you-want-a-successful-career-develop-this-skill.amp?\\_twitter\\_impression=true&fbclid=IwAR1-sRd5rbAiDAbHnUHcUgEe9Y1TIAOxwJzpnC3-Ko0vuirhKqWpqeE3v0](https://www.theodysseyonline.com/if-you-want-a-successful-career-develop-this-skill.amp?_twitter_impression=true&fbclid=IwAR1-sRd5rbAiDAbHnUHcUgEe9Y1TIAOxwJzpnC3-Ko0vuirhKqWpqeE3v0)
- Why Mandarin doesn’t come from Chinese  
[https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2019/01/where-does-mandarin-come/579073/?fbclid=IwAR2\\_eJkCNVz9p-oymwNiD3-M\\_B8m8muH3znF-hfilbh0PjaiMJ0qDWBeGcY](https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2019/01/where-does-mandarin-come/579073/?fbclid=IwAR2_eJkCNVz9p-oymwNiD3-M_B8m8muH3znF-hfilbh0PjaiMJ0qDWBeGcY)
- Wisconsin releases Language Roadmap  
<https://wisconsinlanguageroadmap.wiscweb.wisc.edu/report/>
- Language barriers can steer immigrant students to STEM courses  
[http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning-the-language/2019/01/language\\_barriers\\_immigrants\\_STEM.html?fbclid=IwAR3SAebL0fx47nA-A3MMgC6r8zaP5FhX9R\\_OJlZvo0XWbRDr4pOUsf\\_29Gk](http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning-the-language/2019/01/language_barriers_immigrants_STEM.html?fbclid=IwAR3SAebL0fx47nA-A3MMgC6r8zaP5FhX9R_OJlZvo0XWbRDr4pOUsf_29Gk)
- Does Language shape your personality? <https://theboar.org/2019/01/language-personality/>
- Do schools value the bilingualism of English Learners?  
[http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning-the-language/2019/01/english\\_learners\\_seal\\_of\\_biliteracy.html](http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning-the-language/2019/01/english_learners_seal_of_biliteracy.html)
- Nashville Schools vote to add Kurdish to language offerings  
[https://www.wsmv.com/news/metro-schools-votes-to-add-kurdish-to-high-school-language/article\\_499379bc-1f65-11e9-a977-0bde395a76d4.html](https://www.wsmv.com/news/metro-schools-votes-to-add-kurdish-to-high-school-language/article_499379bc-1f65-11e9-a977-0bde395a76d4.html)
- Study finds students learning Cherokee writing developed previously unknown, 'idiosyncratic' style [https://phys.org/news/2019-01-students-chokeee-previously-unknown-idiosyncratic.html?fbclid=IwAR0Sel\\_sdlzRgUmoCzwyiMeBwjhkTfJqY55v0fG8z2DQ6xCmWr9S27xzSPc](https://phys.org/news/2019-01-students-chokeee-previously-unknown-idiosyncratic.html?fbclid=IwAR0Sel_sdlzRgUmoCzwyiMeBwjhkTfJqY55v0fG8z2DQ6xCmWr9S27xzSPc)
- Education needs to revamp how to teach English Learners STEM  
<https://thejournal.com/articles/2019/01/23/education-needs-to-revamp-how-to-teach-english-learners-in-stem.aspx>
- Building metacognitive skills with English Learners  
<http://exclusive.multibriefs.com/content/building-metacognitive-skills-with-english-learners-part-2/education>
- What would your life be like if you had never learned a language?  
<https://www.iamexpat.nl/expat-info/dutch-expat-news/what-would-your-life-be-if-you-had-never-learned-language>
- New approach to Spanish pronunciation and grammar  
<http://today.ku.edu/2018/09/19/professor-develops-language-teaching-model-giving-learners-better-understanding-grammar>
- Alfred Newman, Navajo Code talker, dies at age 94 <https://www.daily-times.com/story/news/local/arizona/2019/01/14/alfred-k-newman-among-last-navajo-code-talkers-has-died/2570535002/>



- Business French – an asset for American Students <http://frenchhighereducation.org/9335-business-french-asset-american-students>

As always, thank you for all that you do!

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