Good afternoon world language professionals!

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.
- **South Carolina and Maine establish Seals of Biliteracy!**
- The deadline for schools to apply to offer **Ga’s unique International Skills Diploma Seal** is Dec 15th. Join us on Dec 6th from 4-5pm ET as we explain the program, its purpose and how it is implemented! Register here!

  **A Global Education begins with Georgia’s International Skills Diploma Seal!**

  Preparing Georgia’s workforce by providing the essential linguistic and cultural competencies needed for the global marketplace of today and tomorrow!

  Do you want to find out more about Georgia’s unique *International Skills Diploma Seal Program*? Are you considering joining but have questions about *how it is implemented at the school level*? We invite you to join us on **December 6th from 4-5pm for a webinar which will explain the program** and we will have experienced school level ISDS Coordinators share how the program works at their school!

  **Question?** What does it mean to be globally ready to compete in the marketplace of today and tomorrow?

  **Answer:** Georgia’s International Skills Diploma Seal.

- Mark your calendars and help spread the word, the 2nd annual Georgia World Language Job Fair will be held on Saturday, Feb 23rd 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!

  **The 2nd Annual Statewide Georgia World Language Job Fair**

  **Saturday, February 23rd 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 3rd 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.

• Teens in Gwinnett County get a taste for teaching languages!

• CULTR Center receives grant to promote global education!

• 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!

• CI Liftoff Workshop in the Savannah on Monday, November 26th 8:30am – 4:30pm. Registration and more information available via this website.

• Registration is now open for the Foreign Language Association of Georgia’s (FLAG) Conference March 8-9th in Augusta. Deadline for online registrations is February 15th, 2019. 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.

• GT Modern Languages has put forward a call for applications for their new 1-year M.S. in Global Media and Cultures and M.S. in Applied Language and Intercultural studies. More information can be found here!

• The Georgia Department of Education World Languages is pleased to offer the next DLI in a Day family get together and PD on Jan 26th at the GLOBE ACADEMY in Dekalb County. Registration is free via this link. Session Proposals can be made via this link.

Join us for the next DLI in a Day!

Are you teaching in a Dual Language Immersion Program and are looking for opportunities to learn best practices from your fellow teachers? Are you interested in learning more about the Dual Language Immersion model and the mounting research and evidence to support its benefits for all students? Then we invite you to join us for DLI in a Day!

When? Saturday, January 26th from 8:30am – 12pm
Where? The GLOBE ACADEMY (Upper campus) – see registration or website for address
How much does it cost? $0.00 (We invite you to be our guest! [please register!])
How do I register? Register online at our EventBrite Registration Page
Submit a proposal! Link to submit a proposal will open until January 2nd.

Dual Language Immersion in Georgia!
• The German Cultural Center in Atlanta will host the Celebration of European Languages on November 28 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm with the theme the Importance of Language in International Development. The event is free but please register via this link. Rules for the Video contest can be found here.

• International Week was this past week Nov 12-16th. Did you miss it? Find out more here.

• The University of Georgia recently received a grant to establish the Russian Domestic Undergraduate Flagship Program, which provides students with the resources to sustain and grow their proficiency in Russian throughout their undergraduate studies.

• Congratulations to the Georgia Tech’s Korean Program on the approval of Korean for the B.S. ALIS; B.S. GEML; and the B.S. IAML. This is one of the only programs in the Southeast to offer a bachelor’s in Korean!

• Did you know that UGA is the home of our state's Portuguese Flagship program? They have developed some useful materials for teachers of Portuguese in Ga. You can find out more about this program via this link.

• Do your students want to win a trip to Germany? The Award of Excellence gives them the rare chance to see Germany & experience the culture on an all-expenses paid trip! Take the quiz and learn how German & American students are #WunderbarTogether!

• The TOP (Transatlantic Outreach Program) from the Goethe Institute is now accepting applications. Since 2002, TOP has sought to find the best and most qualified social studies and STEM educators and give them the opportunity to experience contemporary Germany in the most dramatic way possible: in person. More information here.

• The Théâtre du Rêve in Atlanta is putting on a 2-day bilingual mini-camp at the Alliance Française over thanksgiving break. Register here!

• Did you know there is a new DLI Dashboard available that shows you the locations of all of Georgia’s growing DLI programs. Follow this link to see it. Many thanks to our friends at KSU for putting it together for us!

• 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.

• 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!
• We have created an online PLC community for World Language teachers via EdWeb here: www.edweb.net/gadoeworldlang. I invite you to join and connect with other world language teachers in Georgia. I have created a number of discussion boards there including one for introductions. Feel free to share! Let’s stay connected and informed.

• We are pleased to now offer our Guidance at a Glance Document for Ga World Language Teacher Certification in Spanish! Special thanks to APS ESOL/World Languages for their help! You can find the document available here.

• The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program is a great way for students to spend a year abroad in Germany. Deadline to apply is December 11th! Apply here!

• The German American Cultural Foundation supports another Student Exchange Program between the U.S. and Germany. The German American Cultural Foundation (GAC-F) supports the Global Youth Ambassadors Program (GYAP) which is a student exchange program between the U.S. and Germany. In the 10th year of operation, GYAP will expand its offering of dynamic global program for high school students to include travel to the Peer to Peer Teen Exchange Program in Germany.

• It’s time to get into the holiday spirit! The Atlanta Christkindl Market™ is an event sponsored by the GAC-Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the education of German language and culture throughout the southeastern U.S. The event runs from Nov 23rd – Dec 23rd. More information can be found on their website here!

• FLAG Spoken Language Contest Dates announced! Metro Spoken Language Contest will be held on Saturday, March 16, location TBD. 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 now for the 2018 African Studies Association Teacher’s Workshop Saturday, December 1, 2018, 8:30am-4:00pm. Auburn Avenue Research Library, located at 101 Auburn Avenue NE, Atlanta GA, 30303 More information available via this link!

• 2019-2020 TCLP Applications Now Available. Deadline for US schools to apply is Jan 22nd.

• 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!

   Metro RESA PD opportunities

   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 22-24th. More information to come!

- Want some information on how to use Tech tools in the modern language classroom? Check out this workshop offered by CULTR on February 16th.
- Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Abroad (YES Abroad) - Deadline December 4, 2018
- The African Studies Association is hosting a workshop for teachers on Saturday, December 1st from 8:30am – 4pm. More information is available via this link.
- Applications are now be accepted for the Gilman International Scholarship for eligible undergraduate students. More information via this link.
- Have you registered for the SCOLT conference in Myrtle Beach in March! Find out more here!
- The Robert Bosch Foundation fellowship is now accepting applications for interested candidates. More information via this link.
- GaDOE World Languages is pleased to once again offer competitive mini-grants to Georgia’s expanding DLI programs! Find out more by visiting our DLI page here. Deadline to apply is March 2nd.

Dual Language Immersion Competitive Mini-Grants

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 now open and the deadline to apply is March 2nd, 2019.
• 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!

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

“It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences.” – Audre Lorde

Teacher Spotlight!

• It was a great pleasure today to surprise Ms. Grethel Van Epps, a Spanish Immersion teacher at the International Charter School of Atlanta, as the World Language Teacher of the Month for November! Grethel Van Epps is originally from Oaxaca, Mexico. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Universidad de las Americas - Puebla in Physics, and began her teaching career in Math, Calculus and Physics in Mexico. This is her 6th year teaching in the US and her 4th year as a language-immersion teacher at the International Charter School of Atlanta. Currently Ms. Van Epps is enrolled at the Georgia College and State University pursuing a Masters of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Education degree. Ms. Van Epps enjoys teaching Spanish and all the cultural aspects it involves. In her free time, Ms. Van Epps loves taking pictures, sewing and doing fun things with her 4 children.

• We would like to recognize all our past World Language Educators of the Month since the inception of the program in 2017! Thank you to all of Georgia’s world language educators!

World Language Educators of the Month

Every day, all across the great state of Georgia, world language educators at all grade levels are making a world of difference in our schools by giving students access to a truly global education and an advantage in the 21st century workforce! This program is designed to honor these educators and celebrate the impact their efforts have on the lives of our students!

We congratulate all of our previous World Language Educators of the Month!

Mrs. Radu – Smyrna ES – Cobb County (Aug 2017)
Mrs. White – Peachtree Ridge HS – Gwinnett (Sept 2017)
Mrs. Vargas – Sequoyah HS – Cherokee (Oct 2017)
Mrs. Dowin – Coastal MS – Savannah (Nov 2017)
Mrs. Chinn – Woodland HS – Henry (Dec 2017)
Mrs. Mills – Ashford Park ES – Dekalb (Jan 2018)
Mr. Strickland – Tapestry Public Charter School (Feb 2018)
Mrs. Negroni – Effingham HS – Effingham (March 2018)
Ms. Guo – Mercer MS – Savannah (April 2018)
Dr. Claymore – Mountain View HS – Gwinnett (May 2018)
Mrs. Motolenich – Russell ES – Cobb (Sept 2018)
Ms. Gomez – Woodville Tompkins HS – Savannah (Oct 2018)
Ms. Van Epps – International Charter School of Atlanta (Nov 2018)
• Congratulations to Mrs. Kaylie Noe, who is the Bartow County Teacher of the year! Kaylie is committed to and passionate about educating students through establishing strong connections and having a student-centered and academically challenging classroom. She earned her BA in Education and Spanish from Kennesaw State University. She has been an educator for 8 years in the same school in which she began her teaching career. In her 8th year at Adairsville High, she currently teaches Honors Spanish 1, Honors Spanish 3, and will embark on her first-year teaching AP Spanish Language & Culture. Along with holding her Gifted Endorsement, Kaylie serves as Department Chair for the Foreign Language Department, is a member of the Leadership, Instructional, and Operational Teams, and serves as an SST Coordinator to help at-risk students. Since her leadership in the Spanish Program has begun, not only have the numbers of participants increased, but there has been a steady incline of students who want to further their Spanish education and pursue elective courses in the higher-level courses.

• Congrats to Ms. Weng for winning North Springs Charter School of Arts and Sciences Positive School Climate Pillar award for the past month! Ms. Weng is a Chinese Teacher at the school.

• Congratulations to Mr. Jonas Strecker from South Forsyth High School who was in Chicago recently presenting at the College Board's AP Symposium, helping college faculty from around the country understand the benefits of World Language AP programs.

• Creekview High School American Sign Language (ASL) teacher Andrea Sheldon is among the select group of teachers from across Georgia selected to represent their profession on the board. The Council meets twice a year to advise Georgia Superintendent of School Dr. Richard Woods on State-level education issues and provide him insight as to how those decisions impact classroom teachers and instruction.

• One of Georgia’s former World Language Educator of the Month recipients and a finalist for the Gwinnett County Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Meredith White (Spanish Teacher at Peachtree Ridge HS) shares her thoughts on the work that she does and why it matters. See the video here!

Programs Spotlight!

• Beulah ES in Douglas County was the recipient of one of last year's DLI grants! Recently, they celebrated the Grand Opening of a school store launched via the grant! El Mercado de las Abejitas, was a huge success! The students were so excited about this new opportunity and the response was amazing. We are known as the Beulah BEES, and our "abejitas" swarmed in full force to support our store and, as such, help to raise funds for more cultural opportunities for our school. We are extremely thankful for the grant and the opportunity to introduce our students (even if in a small way) to new "experiences," such as snack foods from Latin American countries, trinkets made in Latin American countries, and SPANISH language greeting cards to share with friends, family and teachers. The store is open each Friday, and the inaugural sales were almost $300.00. We expect great things from our little Mercado!
• Norton Park ES in Cobb county was the recipient of one of last year’s DLI Mini grants! “The GA DOE DLI Grant has been a great asset to our program at Norton Park Elementary in the Cobb County School District. This grant opportunity has provided our school with additional resources to supplement and add to our program. The grant funds have been used to provide bilingual games and books for our families to check out to promote dual language at home. The grant has allowed our school to begin a Beginning Spanish class for parents that is held on the same evenings Norton Park provides English classes to adults in our community. This year, because of the GA DOE DLI Grant, Norton Park DLI students get to participate in a cultural experience. The grant funds allow our school to provide transportation to the Dia de los Muertos cultural experience at the Atlanta History Center. Norton Park has worked hard to promote and continue our DLI program and the GA DOE DLI Grant has provided great opportunities to continue to provide a great addition to our program.”

• On November 13th, First Lady Sandra Deal visited one of Cobb’s DLI programs to read to Mrs. Talmage’s 1st grade class as well as her Spanish partner, Sra. Yesenia Visoso’s class at Hollydale Elementary School in Marietta. It was a wonderful day and the first lady was amazing! Pictured from left to right Christy Talmage, Dr. Greg Barfield, Dual Language Immersion Program Specialist, Jennifer Ridgway, principal, First Lady Sandra Deal, German Suarez, Supervisor of World Languages, Cobb County Schools and Spanish teaching partner Yesenia Visoso.

Job Announcements!

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
Interested candidates should complete an application online. Please email Dr. Margaret McKenzie, Coordinator for ESOL & World Languages at 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

Clarke County

Clarke County has a full time Spanish vacancy (grades 6 and 7) at Hilsman Middle School in the Clarke County School District. https://ccsdjobs.hrmplus.net/JobOpenings.aspx Questions can be emailed to: 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

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)

One open position of Spanish Teacher at Mundy’s Mill HS.

Henry County

Hampton High School is seeking a Spanish Teacher. Link to job announcement.

Wesley International Academy

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

Savannah Chatham Schools

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/

The Georgia Governor's Honors

The Georgia Governor's Honors Program is seeking a Chinese Instructor for this Summer! See the job announcement here!

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

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- 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**

- Have you heard of [https://fltmag.com/](https://fltmag.com/)? It's a free online magazine published by IALLT (International Association of Language Learning and Technology). It's a great resource for getting quick ideas, brushing up on old ones, and getting inspired with new ones. And it's free!
- Have you seen this chart on the oral proficiency levels in the workplace by ACTFL?

**Other Related local news**

- Georgia Ports continue to expand capabilities [http://www.georgiatrend.com/November-2018/Full-Speed-Ahead/?fbclid=IwAR14gWSla-gVWdVSSxNNFWG4_WjT9i10ti5uNYYt_Tx4JaDONc5hR-bEE](http://www.georgiatrend.com/November-2018/Full-Speed-Ahead/?fbclid=IwAR14gWSla-gVWdVSSxNNFWG4_WjT9i10ti5uNYYt_Tx4JaDONc5hR-bEE)
- Metro Expo Challenge – 30 companies take home $5,000 each to encourage expansion abroad. [https://www.globalatlanta.com/metro-export-challenge-is-back-30-companies-take-home-5000-grants/?fbclid=IwAR2FTWhzuO3elfR9ij-0Onx6YFHkzpZWngXo_rvVHpERGav3Bv1XDMt4](https://www.globalatlanta.com/metro-export-challenge-is-back-30-companies-take-home-5000-grants/?fbclid=IwAR2FTWhzuO3elfR9ij-0Onx6YFHkzpZWngXo_rvVHpERGav3Bv1XDMt4)
- Germany’s new Consul General in Atlanta favors ‘People to People’ Diplomacy [https://www.globalatlanta.com/germanys-new-consul-general-in-atlanta-favors-people-to-people-diplomacy/?fbclid=IwAR0nP4SPKMTzNp2GScTm4UouyeypoonJrK0IFjVc0AMyxuu_1CgDDP-Xgw](https://www.globalatlanta.com/germanys-new-consul-general-in-atlanta-favors-people-to-people-diplomacy/?fbclid=IwAR0nP4SPKMTzNp2GScTm4UouyeypoonJrK0IFjVc0AMyxuu_1CgDDP-Xgw)
- [Georgia State University’s CULTR Center Improving Access to Language Instruction Sees Grant Renewed.](http://www.georgiatrend.com/November-2018/Full-Speed-Ahead/?fbclid=IwAR14gWSla-gVWdVSSxNNFWG4_WjT9i10ti5uNYYt_Tx4JaDONc5hR-bEE)

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

- In these bilingual classrooms, diversity is not lost in translation [https://www.csmonitor.com/EqualEd/2018/1108/In-these-bilingual-classrooms-diversity-is-no-longer-lost-in-translation](https://www.csmonitor.com/EqualEd/2018/1108/In-these-bilingual-classrooms-diversity-is-no-longer-lost-in-translation)
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