Department of World Languages and Global Workforce Initiatives

What do our students need to succeed in the workforce?

- Knowledge of and experience with the world’s peoples and places
- Cross-cultural competence in understanding diverse practices and perspectives
- Specialized and advanced language proficiency

Georgia’s Seal of Biliteracy

- HB 879 was signed into law on May 3, 2016
- Georgia was the 19th state to pass legislation supporting the Seal
- Certifies advanced literacy in another language
- Testing available in over 100 languages
- 2020-2021 school year: 2,579 seals in 72 districts in 23 languages
- Currently 46 states support the Seal

Georgia’s International Skills Diploma Seal (ISDS)

- Established in May 2015
- High school students with an international education curriculum
  - Requires community service and a capstone presentation
  - Over 110 participating high schools
- ISDS STAR students recognized in annual ceremony
- Over 5,000 seals since 2015 have been awarded to Georgia students

Georgia’s Dual Language Immersion Initiative

- 70 programs
- 6 languages:
  - Chinese
  - French
  - German
  - Japanese
  - Korean
  - Spanish

Video DLI Diary of 4th Grade Students.

For more information on these programs, please email us at pwallace@doe.k12.ga.us