

Good Morning world language teaching professionals and Happy Friday! (Note – these weekly updates are distributed to World language teachers K-16 and district coordinators)

The end of the school year has arrived! I want to wish all of our WL teachers a great summer vacation! I know, however, that many of you will also do a little work over the summer as many of you have already shared with me. It is in our DNA as teachers to always want to learn ourselves and as a teacher, I always made plans to do those things that I didn't have time for in the year. Of course, I never got everything accomplished that I wanted to over the summer, but that also is a very typical trait of a teacher. In any case, I wish you a relaxing summer. I will be here on station all summer preparing as well. If you want to talk or come see me, please contact me and we can set up a time to do so. It is my great wish to be of service to you and as responsive and accessible as I am able. Thank you again for all you do!

If you are changing emails this summer – please send me an updated email when you have it so that we can be sure to update our contact lists here at the DOE and you can continue to receive these updates. (

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to give me your feedback to this poll.

<https://PollEv.com/surveys/IQUnEf5RO/web>

I truly appreciate your feedback and will be using it to help guide me during the school year to those issues and needs that are important to you.

Truly, there is a lot ahead for us next year and as I write this update, it is easy to feel overwhelmed, a feeling I know you are familiar with yourself. However, I know that every journey whether it be in the classroom or in life is but a succession of steps. Looking back on your year, for example, you can trace the steps you took and reflect on the journey. Together, we will continue to move forward, one step after another, to achieve the goals and challenges ahead of us. Life, much like fluency, is a process and one never arrives at an end, only a new understanding.

Ok, it is that time of year....now for some updates.

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Overview!

- ***Don't forget about GADII 2017 on July 11-12!*** The 3rd annual Georgia Dual Language Immersion Institute is sure to be a great event to celebrate and reflect on the road behind us, but also to work, plan and prepare for the road ahead of us. It is a free event and will be co-hosted by the Atlanta International School and Garden Hills Elementary School. This year's GADII features free DLI workshops for both teachers and administrators, several interest sessions, a DLI video project, an opportunity to connect with sponsors of DLI materials and the chance to network with fellow teachers, administrators and experts in DLI education! Please join us for this great opportunity to learn more about DLI and the unique challenges and opportunities of such programs.
 - You can register for the event via this [link](#). (Well over 160 people have already registered!)

- There is **no cost** for you to attend!



GADII 2017
Georgia's Dual Language
Immersion Institute
July 11-12, 2017



- Congratulations to Hall county's World Language Academy 8th grade graduates. These graduates have taken part in Dual Language Education since Kindergarten and will be heading to the high school next year with an incredible academic advantage and they have already gained an incredibly valuable economical linguistic skill for the workforce! Congratulations graduates!



- If you missed the webinar from Tuesday, the Link and ppt are now available on our [professional development page](#) or you may follow the link below. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/2638606188180327938>
- The webinar on [CULTR](#) will also be uploaded by the end of next week on the professional development page (linked above) I'm attaching some infographics that they have produced on the importance of language learning. You may want to have some posters made to hang in your classrooms for next year. As was shared during the webinar yesterday, CULTR does a lot to advocate and assist language teachers in Georgia.
- If you want to know what workshops are available for teachers this summer, check out our professional Development calendar! CULTR – website link above – also has several opportunities for teachers.
- Currently, we have three webinar series planned for the year ahead. They are...

- Pathways to Proficiency (A look at methodologies and best practices to improve proficiency)
- Georgia's World Language and Cultural Partners series. (an introduction to resources and organizations within our state for world language teachers)
- International Exchange Programs Best Practices Series (A look at how exchanges are established, planned, implemented and the dos and don'ts of such programs)
- Some additional series are planned as well. (These may be stand-alone webinars or may be incorporated into a longer series.) as time and space allow.
 - Certification Pathways for World Language teachers.
 - Classroom Management Tips from Teachers
 - Teacher Talk - Sharing instructional best practices from the classroom
 - Connecting World Languages with the global workforce needs for Georgia.
 - Languages in the workplace – Interviews with Business leaders.
 - Future World Language Teachers Online Club Webinar Meetings. (more on this later)
- Looking for a language camp this summer in Georgia. Check out this [link](#).
- Did you read the article recently by our very own David Jahner - Path to proficiency – Field notes from our very own David Jahner! <http://www.path2proficiency.com/field-notes-david-jahner/>

Biliteracy & International Skills Diploma Seal Update

- As I mentioned last week, the next reporting deadline for the Seal of Biliteracy is September 1st. Prior to the start of the next school year (by July 19th), I will inform you about updated reporting procedures for students who qualify for the seals. This summer, systems and schools will receive their scores back from students taking the AP language exams this may. I ask that you wait to submit the names of these students until after July 19th when the new reporting procedures are in place. Until then, please keep these on file in your local districts or schools.

How does your school celebrate the awarding of the Seal of Biliteracy and the International Skills Diploma Seal? This is how they do it at Woodstock High School! Send us your photos of how you celebrate the Seals!



- Do you remember when the law was signed that began Georgia's Seal of Biliteracy? Here is a flashback [link](#) for you.

Other Items

- I have updated the attached teacher openings. I will keep this updated over the summer and is always available upon request.

Correction from last week: The Brookwood German Dual Language Immersion program in Dalton Georgia is looking for an additional German teacher for this year. The program is expanding up into the 1st grade. I visited this program this week and there is a lot of support from the community for the program. If you are interested in applying or finding out more, please contact the Principal, Celeste Martin at celeste.martin@dalton.k12.ga.us

New this week – Spanish Teacher needed—Pickens High School.

If interested, please contact-Rick Goble (personnel director) at 706-253-1700.

It is posted on Teach Georgia and <https://pickensga.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>.

- A reminder about our upcoming webinars.
 - *An Introduction to Georgia's International Skills Diploma Seal* - Tuesday, June 13th, 2017. 3pm - 4pm. This webinar will provide an overview of Georgia's trailblazing International Skills Diploma Seal program. The webinar will provide background on the reason for the program as well as discuss the requirements and procedures related to applying for and implementing the program.
Please register by following this [link](#).
 - *Discover your potential and become a World Language Teacher*- Thursday, July 6th, 2017. 10am - 11am. In Georgia, and in many places across our nation, we have a critical needs shortage of qualified world language teachers. This webinar will explore the reasons why you should consider the world language teaching profession and explore the steps you need to take to set you on that path.
Please register for this webinar by following this [link](#).
- Nominate a German educator for an AATG award! [Several different awards](#) are designed to honor German teaching professionals for their achievements--and bring national recognition to their great work. You'll find details on each award [on our website](#). Nominate a colleague and celebrate the outstanding work in our profession! Nominations are due **May 31, 2017**.
- The Third annual Atlanta German Business and Education Summit is scheduled to take place at the Goethe-Zentrum on July 31st from 7:30am – 9:30am. You can register for the event by following this [link](#).

Third Annual Atlanta German Business and Education Summit

Monday, July 31, 2017, 7:30 - 9:30am

Goethe-Zentrum Atlanta

The Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany Atlanta, the Georgia Department of Education, the German American Chamber of Commerce, and the Goethe-Zentrum are delighted to host the Third Annual German Business Education Summit.



This year's speakers are:

Mr. Richard Woods, Georgia's School Superintendent
Mr. Patrick Wallace, Georgia Department of Education
Ms. Nicole Heimann, Manager, Skills Initiative,
German American Chamber of Commerce

A great opportunity for business and education leaders to connect!

Admission: Complimentary

To Register: www.tinyurl.com/ATLBESummit17



- ACTFL has released a new draft of their can do statements with regards to language proficiency. They are asking for feedback from language educators on the revised document. The deadline to do so is the end of May. <https://www.actfl.org/publications/guidelines-and-manuals/nccsfl-actfl-can-do-statements/can-do-statements-review>
- The Goethe-Zentrum is partnering with the Alliance Française to host the first European Studies Summit: A High School Leadership Camp. The purpose of this camp is to encourage cultural exchange and awareness within the greater context of European life. We're focusing on different European countries every day with students engaging in leadership development activities, participating in local field trips and on-site classes (including politics, geography, culture and language), and completing one major group project to be presented the last day of camp. Students will be presented with a certificate of completion on the last day of camp. The countries on the agenda this year include: France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and the Czech Republic.
It's taking place July 24-28, 2017, 9:30am – 4:30pm and costs \$375.00 per student. A flyer about the program is below



European Studies Summit: A High School Leadership Camp



July 24 - 28, 2017, 9:30am - 4:30pm



Join the Alliance Française and Goethe Zentrum for our first annual European Studies Summit, a culturally-enriching leadership camp experience for high school students.

Over the course of five days, students will engage in leadership development activities, participate in local field trips and on-site classes (including politics, geography, culture and language), and complete one major group project to be presented the last day of camp.

This year's countries include France, Germany, Italy, the Czech Republic and Switzerland.

**Admission: \$350.00 before May 1, 2017, \$375.00 after May 1, 2017.
(Tuition includes materials and field trips)**

For more information and to register: www.tinyurl.com/EuroStudiesSummit

Alliance Française / Goethe-Zentrum Atlanta | 1197 Peachtree Street NE
Colony Square, Plaza Level | Atlanta, GA 30361 | (404) 892-2388

- Invitation to apply to be a GLOBAL NAVIGATOR School.
For the Global Navigator Scholarship Program's third year, CIEE collaborated with 82 high schools across 15 states – California, Connecticut, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Texas, Washington, Washington DC, and Wisconsin. Nationally, the 2017 Global Navigator Scholarships were successful in bringing study abroad opportunities to their students, with nearly 1000 students receiving Global Navigator Scholarships, with over \$5million dollars awarded. CIEE would like to help open the door for your students in gaining access to study abroad in 2018.
<https://www.ciee.org/high-school-summer-abroad/> For 2018, CIEE is looking to expand their high school to 100 partnerships and we believe GA is the next state to be in. In 2018, we expect to award at least \$5.4 million across the country.
If your school is interested, you may begin an application with the link below. You may update and save your information as you go before finally submitting the completed application. Please begin the application, please click on: (deadline/June 15th)
<https://fs9.formsite.com/ciee/GNS2017/index.html>
- Information on the webpages has been updated so you may notice some changes. Please let me know if you see anything that needs to be changed/updated. I appreciate your feedback and help in keeping all our announcements and links there up to date. If you have an event that you would like listed on the calendar, please send me and email with the date and time.
- I also want to encourage you to investigate the Lead with Languages Campaign started by ACTFL. <http://www.leadwithlanguages.org/> Have you seen their student testimonials page....if not, I encourage you to check it out and maybe share with your students <http://www.leadwithlanguages.org/success-stories/students/>

[Links to articles that came out this week related to World Language education.](#)

- Because Multilingualism is an asset
<http://www.whysocialscience.com/blog/2017/5/24/because-multilingualism-is-an-asset-and-a-goal-worth-pursuing>
- Three ways language learning helps your brain <https://www.fastcompany.com/40420933/3-ways-learning-a-new-language-helps-your-brain-even-if-you-never-get-fluent>
- Sub plans to keep the CI flowing <http://palmyraspanish1.blogspot.jp/2017/05/sub-plans-that-keep-ci-flowing.html?m=1>
- The extent of explicit grammar in my CI/TPRS Class
<http://tprsforchinese.blogspot.com/2017/05/the-extent-of-explicit-grammar-in-my.html>
- Virtual Field trips in the FL Classroom <http://theworldlanguagecafe.com/virtual-field-trips-in-your-foreign-language-classroom/>
- Path to proficiency – Field notes from our very own David Jahner!
<http://www.path2proficiency.com/field-notes-david-jahner/>
- Bilingual Education Critical to Workforce <http://www.educationdive.com/news/panel-bilingual-education-critical-to-future-of-the-workforce/443010/>
- How the language you speak changes your view of the world https://theconversation.com/how-the-language-you-speak-changes-your-view-of-the-world-40721?utm_campaign=coschedule&utm_source=facebook_page&utm_medium=Exchange%20Programs%20-%20U.S.%20Department%20of%20State



As always, thank you for your time and attention reading these updates. I appreciate the work you do!
Enjoy your summer break!

Patrick