



WORLD LANGUAGE

DEPARTMENT



OUR MISSION

The World Language Department provides students with the opportunity to develop proficiency in languages other than English while fostering an appreciation for diverse cultures and perspectives. Language learning strengthens communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and cultural understanding, preparing students to become confident global citizens.



DEPARTMENT GOALS



Develop students' ability to communicate effectively in another language.



Promote intercultural understanding and respect for diverse cultures and traditions.



Build listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills through meaningful, real-world communication.



Encourage lifelong language learning and global awareness.



Prepare students for advanced coursework, the New York State Seal of Biliteracy, college, and future careers.



NEW YORK STATE REQUIREMENTS

New York State requires students to earn one unit of credit in a World Language to receive a Regents Diploma. This requirement is often fulfilled by:



Successfully completing the middle school World Language sequence and passing the locally developed Checkpoint A assessment, (must pass the class and final to earn the credit) **or**



Completing one year of high school World Language study aligned with Checkpoint A.



Students pursuing a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation successfully complete an additional two units of study in the same language (three total credits) and successfully complete the locally developed Checkpoint B assessment.

(New York State Education Department)

