World Language Advisory Council

The Maine Department of Education is seeking new members for its World Language Advisory Council (WLAC). The WLAC is a group of experienced and passionate language educators from across Maine, and its role is to advise the Department on its policies, activities, and resources related to World Language. The WLAC meets twice annually, in December and June. If you are interested in becoming a member, please complete an application [here](https://www.maine.gov/doe/learning/content/worldlanguages). If you have any questions, please contact Joe Schmidt, Acting Coordinator of Secondary Education, at joe.schmidt@maine.gov.

Maine Seal of Biliteracy

We are considering some updates and revisions to the application process for the Maine Seal of Biliteracy. Namely:
- making the application fully online rather than having a paper option
- requiring upload of proficiency evidence upon submission
If you have thoughts about these two changes or any other improvements you would like to suggest, please contact April Perkins, Director of English for Speakers of Other Languages, at april.perkins@maine.gov.

Educational Events

- CIEE High School Summer Abroad Information Sessions
- African Diaspora International Film Festival: Virtual School Program from 11/27/20 - 12/13/20

Professional Learning

- Northeast Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages: Fall/Winter Webinar Series on World Languages for Social Justice (Upcoming Sessions 11/17/20 7-8pm and 12/18/20 4-5pm)
- Coach Foreign Language Project: Teaching with Culturally Responsive Comprehensible Input Webinar Series (Upcoming Sessions 12/5/20, 1/9, 2/27, and 3/13)
- Maine DOE ESOL Professional Learning Opportunities

Instructional Resources

- MOOSE (Maine Online Opportunities for Sustained Education)

Job Opportunities

- Spanish Teacher at Richmond MS/HS
- Arabic/English Interpreter/Translator at Augusta School Department
- One-Year ELL Teacher at Ocean Ave. Elementary in Portland

Articles of Interest

PR Newswire: ACTFL and LTI Announce Five Assessments Recommended for College Credit by American Council on Education

Language Magazine: Language Learning with a Side of Art to Go

Language Magazine: Stephen Krashen's Seven Tips for Teaching Language During Covid-19