

World Language Network

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Languages/Dialects taught: All

- PreK-K
- 1-5/6
- 6/7-8
- 9-12
- Adults

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Program Description

Type of programs

- Immersion
- Partial immersion
- Bilingual program
- Foreign language program
- Content-based
- Exploratory
- Before or after school program
- Saturday academy
- Extracurricular club

As an advocacy and networking organization, WLN does not teach or conduct classes.

Mission statement:

The World Language Network (WLN) is an advocacy organization that

- 1) Supports K-12 world-language learning and cultural enrichment programs;
- 2) Works with communities to promote and integrate world-language learning opportunities and multicultural enrichment
- 3) Serves as a resource and networking center for the teaching and learning of world languages and culture.

This include supporting different heritage language organizations, events, classes, etc.

Program origin: The WLN began as the Arlington Spanish Network (ASN) in 2003. It was founded by a group of parents to support the Arlington, MA Public Schools elementary Spanish curriculum. This program was cut for budgetary reasons, and

the ASN broadened to encompass all languages and to advocate for language learning at all grade levels. Our membership is now at about 110. Programs determine the language background and language proficiency of students. A home survey is in development.

What the program has in place

Financial support comes from parents