

Department of World Languages and Global Workforce Initiatives



What do our students need to succeed in a global 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 English and a second language
- Testing available in **over 100 languages**
- 2020-2021 school year: **2,579 seals** in 72 districts in 23 languages
- Currently **45 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 receive awards for best **Capstone** presentation
 - **Over 5,000 seals** 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