

World Language Connection Program at LHS



Why is this important for LHS students?

*Student participants will find themselves much more marketable and valuable in ANY career field and/or college admissions program when they show on their applications and resumes that they've studied a LOTE (*Languages Other Than English*) so thoroughly.

*Student participants will become more linguistically and culturally literate.

*Student participants will develop their love for learning about their chosen LOTE and their appreciation for its culture.

*Student participants will earn recognition for pursuing a Language other than English (LOTE) by the time they complete the program.

What do students need to do in order to join this program?

*Earn 7 credits in LOTE by the time you graduate; these credits can be earned in the following ways:

- ❖ Level 1 LOTE Course & SLP Exam = **1 credit**
(NYS mandate for graduation; typically earned from 7th & 8th grade)
- ❖ Level 2 LOTE Course = **1 credit**
- ❖ Level 3 LOTE Course = **1 credit**
- ❖ Level 4 LOTE Course = **1 credit**
- ❖ Level 5 LOTE Course = **1 credit**
- ❖ Beginning Level 1 Course = **1 credit**
(must be different from current foreign language)
- ❖ 2 - ½ year/credit LOTE Elective Courses = **1 credit**
(choose from: *Cultural Awareness & Competency, World Tourism, Hispanic Literature*)
- ❖ Level 2 Course of NEW language = **1 credit**
- ❖ 1 LOTE Elective & Study Abroad Program = **1 credit**
(Minimum of 50 verified instructional hours. More credits may be awarded depending on length of study abroad stay and/or instructional hours)

How soon should I join this program to get the most out of it?

*While it's best to begin as early as your freshman year, anyone can join/continue in the World Language Connection program as long as you will be able to accrue 7 credits from the options above.