



**DATE:** June 3, 2020

**TO:** Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Robert Leri, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

**SUBJECT:** First Read of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6142.2,  
World Language Instruction

**PRESENTED BY:** Valerie Simpson, Executive Director of Educational Services

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### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Information Only – First Read of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6142.2,  
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### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

This Board Policy is being updated to add the following language.

1. For any program designed to provide students with instruction in a language other than English the Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall establish a process for schools to receive and respond to input from parents/guardians and other stakeholders regarding the non-English language in which instruction will be provided.
2. Instruction in world languages shall be offered to secondary school students beginning no later than grade 7 and shall be designed to develop students' skills in understanding, speaking, reading and writing the language.
3. American Sign Language courses if offered, shall be open to all students regardless of hearing status.
4. Students shall obtain credit toward high school graduation requirements for completing one year of a world language or American Sign Language course during grades 9-12 High school students who have attained a high level of proficiency may receive recognition for their achievement, including the State Seal of Bilingualism.

**RESOURCES REQUIRED:** N/A

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