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What is World Language Learning?

More than 350 languages are spoken in homes, schools, workplaces, and community spaces across the United States (American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2017). These languages are not foreign. They represent indigenous, colonial, immigrant, migrant, and home languages of our nation and of the world. Wisconsin schools offer language programs in modern and classical languages. World languages may be spoken, written, and signed. Languages embody identities and cultures, and diverse ways of knowing and interpreting our world. Learning a new language, or reawakening and preserving indigenous languages, allows students to access more information, ideas, perspectives, and opportunities. World language learners use language for intercultural communication within our linguistically and culturally diverse communities. Through the process of learning a new language, students come to better understand their home language, cultural identity, and role in the world. World language education is critical for successful engagement within our local, and global communities and economies, as well as, for the preservation of our diverse linguistic and cultural heritage.

Equity in Access to the Benefits of Language Learning

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages identify two goal areas, five standards, eighteen learner practices, and a developmental continuum of performance indicators for language learning based on levels of language proficiency. These combined elements result in a framework designed to improve equity in access to meaningful and comparable learning outcomes and opportunities for all world language learners in Wisconsin. Educational equity means that every student has access to the resources and educational rigor they need at the right moment in their education, across race, gender, ethnicity, language, disability, sexual orientation, family background, and/or family income. (DPI, 2019)

The development of continuous and effective language programs for all students is a priority for our state, as outlined in the Wisconsin Language Roadmap: Investing in Language Education for a World-Ready Wisconsin report (Wisconsin Language Roadmap Initiative, 2018).

"All students deserve equity in access to learning the languages of our local communities and the world. The world today is interconnected, interdependent, and fiercely competitive. The best education prepares students for college and careers within our global community. Language and cultural learning are critical components of that preparation" (Wisconsin Language Roadmap Initiative, 2018). (Evers, i)

Standards-based world language learning environments are designed to develop language proficiency through an extended period of study. Current Wisconsin state statutes require Wisconsin school districts to provide access to standards-based world language education in grades 7-12 (Wis. Stat § 121.02(1) (L)5). An increasing number of school districts across the country take advantage of the

cognitive benefits of early language learning and offer language education pathways beginning in elementary school and continuing through high school. This approach allows students to attain higher levels of language proficiency by graduation and also provides them the opportunity to acquire additional languages throughout their education and lifetime. This is also the approach used in most nations around the world. Proficiency in more than one language is a major advantage in our global economy.

Wisconsin Standards for World Languages

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages are designed to:

- prepare students to use the language of instruction (target language) to communicate,
- engage in disciplinary content learning,
- investigate and interact within and across cultures,
- participate in diverse contexts and communities,
- compare languages and cultures,
- develop skills for local, and global community engagement, and
- access the benefits of multilingualism for college, careers, and personal enrichment.

Wisconsin Standards for World Languages are clear statements that provide a vision for what students should know and be able to do with their language and cultural knowledge and skills. Wisconsin state administrative rules require world language instruction with frequency and duration needed to realize the objectives of a sequential standards-based curriculum (Wis. Admin.Rule PI8.01(L) 4/6). The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages provide a foundation for schools to deliver on the promise of standards-based, and proficiency-based language learning. A progression of student learning, as evidenced through the developmental performance indicators within the standards, will require focused and ongoing attention to language proficiency development.

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages are strategically aligned with the national World-Readiness Standards for Learning Languages (The National Standards Collaborative Board, 2015). The national World-Readiness Standards target five goal areas, the "Five Cs" of Communication, Cultures, Connections, Comparisons, and Communities. These goal areas are complemented by *Can-Do Statements* that articulate learner progress with Interpretive, Interpersonal, Presentational and Intercultural Communication.

Our state standards include proficiency benchmarks for interpretive, interpersonal, and presentational modes of communication from the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statements (NCSSFL-ACTFL, 2017) (National Council of State Supervisors for Languages - American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages). The NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statement performance indicators are used, with minor stylistic edits focused on student performance, for Wisconsin Standards one through four. Proficiency benchmarks for intercultural

investigation are original to Wisconsin, and the benchmarks for intercultural interaction are adopted from the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statements.

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages embed the national goal areas of Cultures, Connections, Comparisons and Communities within core learner practices for each Communication standard and also within a new standard for Global Competence and Community Engagement, based on rubrics for Global Leadership (Asia Society Center for Global Education, 2013). This strategic integration of the "Five Cs" provides a focused purpose and context for language use within our state standards, and through them, within our classrooms.

The image on the left side of following page represents the five C goal areas of the national standards (The National Standards Collaborative Board, 2015). The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages integrate these goal areas, and situate their development within a meaningful cultural and community context for learning. The image on the right side of the following page represents our vision for preparing Wisconsin graduates to be world-ready through standards-based world language learning.

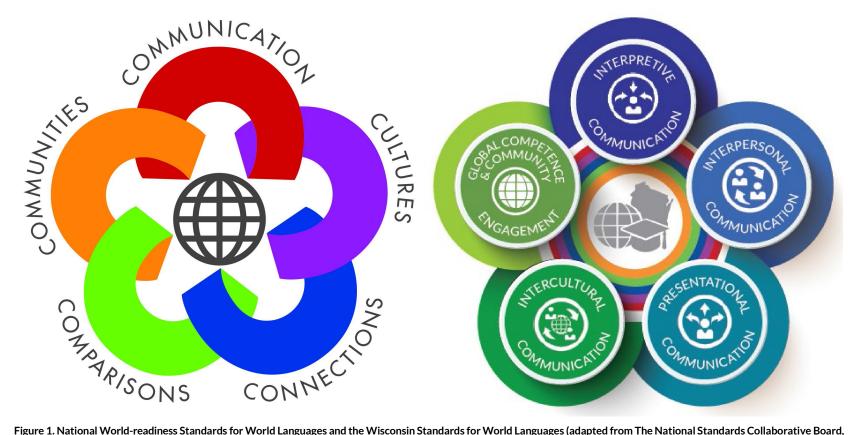


Figure 1. National World-readiness Standards for World Languages and the Wisconsin Standards for World Languages (adapted from The National Standards Collaborative Board, 2015, p. 28).

These Wisconsin Standards for World Languages leverage the strengths of the national standards and aligned resources within a framework that heightens attention to helping students discover their voice, perspective, and agency within linguistically and culturally diverse local, and global communities. Critical components of this development include using the language to compare languages and cultures, learn through and about other disciplines, and to engage in respectful and successful intercultural relationships. Standards-based world language programs prepare students for lifelong learning, professional opportunities, and full participation in the interdependent and multilingual communities locally, and around the world.

As educators plan for learning in the world language classroom, it is important to be familiar with the nuances of the three modes of communication (interpretive, interpersonal and presentational) reflected in national, and state standards. Communication is the core competency and focus of contemporary world language learning environments. Standards-based and proficiency-based language educators facilitate students' learning "how, when, and why to say what to whom" (The National Standards Collaborative Board, 2015, p. 12) through performance tasks and assessments in these modes of communication. The standards for Intercultural Communication, and Global Competence and Community Engagement provide a meaningful overarching context when planning curricula, thematic units, and project-based learning experiences through which students develop and demonstrate Interpretive, Interpersonal and Presentational communication skills.

Wisconsin Standards for World Languages: An Overview

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages strategically integrate the Communication, Cultures, Connections, Comparisons and Communities Goal Areas of the World Readiness Standards for Learning Languages and prioritize the knowledge, skills, perspectives, and experiences required for communication across cultures and for engagement within local, and global communities. Eighteen core learner practices, adapted from the NCSSFL/ACTFL Can-Do Statements and Asia Society Rubrics for Global Leadership, embed cultural products, practices and perspectives, linguistic and cultural comparisons, connections to other disciplines and perspectives, and reflection on language and cultural learning within five standards. This is outlined in the chart below.

Goal Area: Communication

Standard 1 Interpretive Communication	Standard 2 Interpersonal Communication	Standard 3 Presentational Communication
Students use target language and cultural knowledge to interpret, analyze, and demonstrate understanding of authentic speech, texts, media, or signed language on topics relevant to their lives and broader communities.	Students use the target language and cultural knowledge to negotiate meaning through the exchange of information, ideas, reactions, feelings, and opinions in spoken, written, or signed interactions relevant to their lives and broader communities.	Students use the target language and cultural knowledge to present information, concepts, and ideas on topics of relevance to their lives and broader communities to inform, explain, persuade, and narrate for diverse audiences within and beyond the learning environment.

Goal Area: Cultural and Global Competence

Standard 4 Intercultural Communication	Standard 5 Global Competence and Community Engagement
Students use the target language and cultural knowledge to investigate, compare, explain, interact, and reflect on the relationships between the products, practices, and perspectives of diverse and dynamic cultures within their local, and global communities.	Students use the language skills and cultural knowledge to investigate the world, recognize diverse perspectives, interact and exchange ideas with people from diverse backgrounds, and engage with others to improve conditions within their local, and global communities.

Language Proficiency Levels and Performance Indicators:

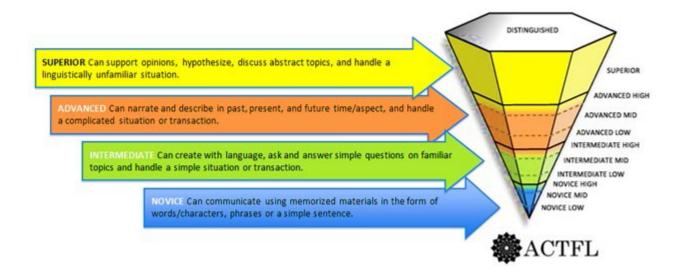
Wisconsin's Standards for World Languages include performance indicators that are organized by proficiency level and collectively represent a developmental continuum for language learning. These proficiency levels are taken from the nationally recognized ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines (ACTFL, 2012). Performance indicators, with some modifications, represent the focus and intent of the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statements and capture what classroom language performance looks like at a designated level of language proficiency. It is important to note that a student's classroom language performance, based on well-practiced skills, is likely to exceed their actual language proficiency which represents independent and sustained language use in new contexts beyond the classroom.

The level of proficiency attained through a world language program will vary by quality, intensity, and duration of learning. An early start to an extended sequence of effective standards-based and proficiency-based language learning will result in higher levels of language proficiency development. For example, students in dual language immersion programs may have the opportunity to develop Advanced language proficiency while students who study a language no longer than two years in high school may not move beyond Novice level language skills. It is important to note that, for native speakers of English, a longer period of study is often required to reach advanced proficiency in languages such as Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Russian, due to significant differences in writing and phonological systems. Providing access to extended pathways in a diverse menu of languages is responsive to student interests and addresses business and community language needs.

Standards-based and proficiency-based language education programs improve equity in student access to the academic, personal, and career benefits of language learning. Many districts provide language and global learning pathways that prepare students for recognition through Wisconsin's Seal of Biliteracy and Global Education Achievement Certificate Program. Students must demonstrate a minimum of Intermediate High language proficiency to qualify for the Seal of Biliteracy, and take four or more years of a single high school world language, in addition to other program requirements, to be recognized as a Global Scholar. All students benefit from an early start to an uninterrupted pathway leading to Intermediate and Advanced language proficiency.

Broad descriptors of the ACTFL proficiency bands are described in the image that follows. For more detailed descriptions of each band, and the sublevels within, review the ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines and Performance Descriptors for Language Learners (ACTFL, 2015). Performance Indicators within the Wisconsin Standards for World Languages include the three sublevels (low, mid, and high) within the Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced language proficiency bands. These sublevels allow teachers and students to target, observe, and reflect on progress within, and across levels. These sublevels are represented within these standards as follows: Novice Low (n1), Novice Mid (n2), Novice High (n3), Intermediate Low (i4), Intermediate Mid (i5), Intermediate High (i6), Advanced Low (a7), Advanced Mid (a8),

and Advanced High (a9).

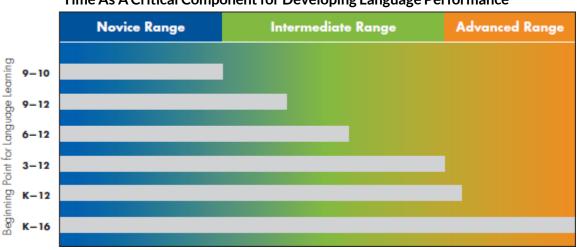


Language Proficiency Bands

The ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines provide detailed descriptions of each language proficiency level organized by the four skill domains of listening, speaking, reading, and writing (ACTFL, 2012). Familiarity with this framework is critical to the design and implementation of proficiency-based language education programs.

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages include performance descriptors to be targeted through K-12 learning environments for Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced proficiency bands. Superior level language proficiency may be within reach for students who continue learning and using a language beyond high school and through community and career engagement. It is critical to recognize that to become proficient in a new language through a formal education program requires active language use, and an extended period of study. The chart that follows, based on national world language program data, illustrates the relationship between years of study and average proficiency outcomes. It is important to note that effective teaching needs to be complemented by adequate hours of instruction to realize the performance goals represented in this illustration. This information is useful for program design and student advising. Language learning, in this regard, is like learning a sport or playing a musical instrument. To master a new language requires extensive practice, feedback, and performance over time. Student language learning outcomes are dependent on how well programs are

designed and implemented to deliver on the promise of language proficiency.



Time As A Critical Component for Developing Language Performance

ACTFL Performance Descriptors for Language Learners ©ACTFL, Inc., 2012

Standards-based Program Design and Planning for Learning

These standards, learner practices, and performance indicators for world languages are descriptive rather than prescriptive. They do not prescribe what content to teach. They do provide a vision for a well-balanced skill set of what learners should come to know and be able to do through their learning over time. These standards, learner practices, and performance indicators are designed to guide program, curricula, unit, and lesson level instructional planning. The same standard and learner practice can be targeted across proficiency levels, languages, program models, and learner profiles with adaptations based on academic content, thematic focus, student proficiency level and developmental age. The standards, learner practices, and performance indicators are a point of departure for setting language program goals, identifying what will count as evidence of learning, and what teaching and learning experiences will prepare students to successfully meet the standard. The components of the standards also provide educators a shared framework for collaborative planning, common assessments, articulation, and student placement.

The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages focus on student learning through course content that is relevant, authentic, engaging, developmentally appropriate, and linguistically and culturally responsive. Realization of the standards requires learning environments that facilitate meaning making, communication, and purposeful language use within, and beyond the classroom.

High-Leverage Teaching Practices

The most significant predictor of student learning is an effective teacher (Measures of Effective Teaching Study, 2009). Classroom practices that support standards-based learning environments, and language proficiency development include use of the target language for 90%, or more, of teaching and learning time. This is critical for building student confidence, accuracy, fluency, and independence with language use (ACTFL, 2010) Teaching in the target language requires planning how to help students comprehend authentic language they hear, read, or view. Student language proficiency development requires teachers to plan how to check for understanding and learning along the way. Learning experiences in proficiency-based classrooms focus on preparing students to use the language independently through feedback on interpretive, interpersonal, and presentational communicative tasks. Teachers, in standards-based and proficiency-based classrooms, share performance goals with students to make them active agents of their own learning. In these contexts, teachers identify and strategically align the function, structures and vocabulary students need for success on performance assessments. Authentic resources and meaningful classroom activities support student progress toward the identified performance goals. World language learners benefit from administrator, instructional coach, teacher educator and classroom teacher efforts to realize effective language education pedagogies. Core Practices for World Language Learning (ACTFL, 2017), the Teacher Effectiveness for Language Learning Project (National Foreign Language Center, n.d.) framework, and STARTALK-Endorsed Principles for Effective Teaching and Learning (National Foreign Language Center, 2008) are valuable resources for professional learning aligned with the Wisconsin Standards for World Languages. The Principles for Effective World Language Programs by NADSFL (2015) are also useful as a frame of reference for standards-based and proficiency-based program leadership, design, and evaluation.

Literacy for learning in World Languages

An alignment exists between the World-Readiness Standards and the Wisconsin Standards for English Language Arts (2010) that is useful for planning learning with attention to disciplinary literacy. This resource, commonly referred to by educators as "the crosswalk", is useful for defining literacy development essentials through reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language within world language education programs (ACTFL, 2013). In language classrooms of the past, students learned about language through grammar practice, vocabulary drills, and dialogue memorization. Contemporary world language educators strive to facilitate disciplinary and cultural learning through active use of the target language grounded in purposeful, relevant, and content-rich thematic units of study. Today's world language educators also facilitate the development of media and cultural literacy, and 21st century skills, such as critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity. The 21st Century Skills Map for Learning World Languages (Partnership for 21st Century Skills, 2011) provides useful examples of 21st century skill development tasks in each of the three modes of communication (interpretive, interpersonal and presentational). World language programs prepare graduates who are multilingual, multiliterate, and well-prepared to apply their knowledge and skills within diverse communities and contexts.

World-Ready Graduates

Wisconsin schools are preparing graduates who are college, career, community, and world-ready. Proficiency in one or more world languages, in addition to English, along with related intercultural skills and global competence, are critical dimensions of community and world-readiness. The Wisconsin Standards for World Languages articulate what learners should know and be able to do as they progress toward Advanced proficiency in languages other than English. World language learning is a core component of a comprehensive 21st century education. Standards-based and proficiency-based world language education programs prepare learners who are not only well-rounded, but also workforce and world-ready.

Standards Structure

Discipline: World Language Education

Goal Areas: Communication (CM), Cultural and Global Competence (CGC)

Standard: Broad statement describing what students are expected to know and/or be able to do -

Interpretive (IT), Interpersonal (IP), Presentational (PS), Intercultural (IC), and Global Competence/Community Engagement (GCE)

Learner Practices: Description of measurable and functional learning tasks (1.a - 5.e)

Performance Indicator by Proficiency Level: Description of how well students perform a standards-based and proficiency-based task (n1 - a9)

Novice Low (n1), Novice Mid (n2), Novice High (n3), Intermediate Low (i4), Intermediate Mid (i5), Intermediate High (i6),

Advanced Low (a7), Advanced Mid (a8), and Advanced High (a9)

*Performance Indicators for Standards 4 and 5 do not include sub-levels for Novice, Intermediate and Advanced proficiency bands

Discipline: World Language Education (Modern, Classical, Indigenous and Signed)

Goal Area: Communication (CM) - Students communicate effectively in more than one language in order to function in a variety of situations and for multiple purposes.

Standard 1: Interpretive Communication (IT)- Students will use the language and cultural knowledge to interpret, analyze, and demonstrate understanding of authentic speech, texts, media, or signed language on topics relevant to their lives and broader communities.

	Proficiency Benchmarks and Performance Indicators		
Learner Practices	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced
1.a Students use and improve linguistic	*WL.IT.1.a.n1 Identify		
and cultural knowledge as they	memorized or familiar words		
interpret, analyze, and demonstrate	when they are supported by		
understanding of authentic	gestures or visuals in		
informational texts from diverse	informational texts.		
communities and contexts.			

^{*}Sample coding: WL.IT.1.a.n1 (When planning instruction, use 1.a.n1 to reference this specific performance indicator, learner practice, and standard.)

Discipline:**WL** World Language Goal Area:**CM** Communication

Standard:IT Interpretive Communication
Learner Practice: 1.a Analysis of Informational Texts

PerformanceIndicator:n1 NoviceLow

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Learner Practices	Proficiency Benchmarks and Performance Indicators		
	Novice Students identify the general topic and some basic information in both very familiar and everyday contexts by recognizing practiced or memorized words, phrases, and simple sentences in texts that are spoken, written, or signed.	Intermediate Students demonstrate understanding of the main idea and some pieces of information on familiar topics from sentences and series of connected sentences within texts that are spoken, written, or signed.	Advanced Students demonstrate understanding of the main message and supporting details on a wide variety of familiar and general interest topics across various time frames from complex, organized texts that
	signed.		are spoken, written, or signed.
1.a Students use and improve linguistic and cultural knowledge as they interpret, analyze, and	WL.IT.1.a.n1 Identify memorized or familiar words when they are	WL.IT.1.a.i4 Identify the topic and related information from	WL.IT.1.a.a7 Identify the underlying message and some

demonstrate understanding of	supported by gestures or	simple sentences in	supporting details
authentic informational texts from	visuals in informational	short informational	across major time
diverse communities and contexts.	texts.	texts.	frames in descriptive
	WL.IT.1.a.n2 Identify	WL.IT.1.a.i5	informational texts.
	some basic facts from	Demonstrate	WL.IT.1.a.a8
	memorized words and	understanding of the	Demonstrate
	phrases when they are	main idea and key	understanding of the
	supported by gestures or	information in short	underlying message
	visuals in informational	straightforward	and most supporting
	texts.	informational texts.	details across major
	WL.IT.1.a.n3 Identify the	WL.IT.1.a.i6 Follow the	time frames in
	topic and some isolated	main message in	descriptive
	facts from simple	various time frames in	informational texts.
	sentences in	straightforward, and	WL.IT.1.a.a9 Follow
	informational texts.	sometimes descriptive,	the flow of ideas and
		paragraph length	infer meaning from
		informational texts.	complex language on
			unfamiliar, abstract
			topics within
			informational texts.
1.b Students use and improve	WL.IT.1.b.n1 Identify	WL.IT.1.b.i4 Identify	WL.IT.1.b.a7 Follow
linguistic and cultural knowledge	memorized or familiar	the topic, and related	the main story, and
as they interpret, analyze, and	words when they are	information from	some supporting
demonstrate understanding of	supported by gestures or	simple sentences in	detail across major
authentic fictional texts from	visuals in fictional texts.	short fictional texts.	time frames in
diverse communities and contexts.	WL.IT.1.b.n2 Identify	WL.IT.1.b.i5	fictional texts.
	some basic facts from	Demonstrate	

understanding of the WL.IT.1.b.a8 Follow memorized words, and phrases when they are main idea, and key the main story, and information in short supported by gestures or most supporting visuals in fictional texts. straightforward details across major WL.IT.1.b.n3 Identify the fictional texts. time frames in topic, and some isolated WL.IT.1.b.i6 Follow the fictional texts. elements from simple main story, and actions WL.IT.1.b.A9 Follow sentences in short expressed in various the flow of ideas, and fictional texts. time frames in some nuances from paragraph-length different viewpoints fictional texts. in most fictional texts. WL.IT.1.c.n1 WL.IT.1.c.a7 WL.IT.1.c.i4 Identify Demonstrate the main idea in short Demonstrate understanding of conversations. understanding of the memorized, or familiar WL.IT.1.c.i5 Identify main message, and words when they are the main idea, and key some supporting **1.c.** Students use and improve information in short details across major supported by gestures or linguistic and cultural knowledge as visuals in conversations. straightforward time frames in they interpret, analyze, and WL.IT.1.c.n2 Identify conversations and conversations. demonstrate understanding of WL.IT.1.c.i6 some basic facts from discussions. authentic conversations and WL.IT.1.c.a8 memorized words, and Demonstrate discussions from diverse phrases when they are understanding of the Demonstrate communities and contexts. supported by gestures or main idea, and flow of understanding of the visuals in conversations. events expressed in main message, and various time frames in WL.IT.1.c.n3 most supporting Demonstrate conversations and details across major understanding of discussions. time frames in

familiar questions, and statements from simple sentences in conversations.	conversations and discussions. WL.IT.1.c.a9 Follow the flow of ideas, and some nuances from different viewpoints in conversations and
	in conversations and discussions.

Discipline: World Language Education (Modern, Classical, Indigenous and Signed)

Goal Area: Communication (CM)- Students communicate effectively in more than one language in order to function in a variety of situations and for multiple purposes.

Standard 2: Interpersonal Communication (IP)- Students use the target language and cultural knowledge to negotiate meaning through the exchange of information, ideas, reactions, feelings, and opinions in spoken, written, or signed interactions relevant to their lives and broader communities.

Learner Practices	Proficiency Benchmarks and Performance Indicators		
	Novice Students communicate in spontaneous spoken, written, or signed conversations on both very familiar and everyday topics, using a variety of practiced or memorized words, phrases, simple sentences, and	Intermediate Student participate in spontaneous spoken, written, or signed conversations on familiar topics, creating sentences and series of sentences to ask and answer a variety of questions.	Advanced Students maintain spontaneous spoken, written, or signed conversations and discussions across various time frames on familiar, as well as unfamiliar, concrete topics, using series of connected sentences
	questions.		and probing questions.

2.a Students exchange information, and ideas about relevant issues and diverse topics in linguistically and culturally responsive interactions.

WL.IP.2.a.n1 Provide information by answering a few simple questions on very familiar topics, using practiced or memorized words and phrases, with the help of gestures or visuals.

WL.IP.2.a.n2 Request and provide information by asking and answering a few simple questions on very familiar and everyday topics, using a mixture of practiced or memorized words, phrases, and simple sentences.

WL.IP.2.a.n3 Request and provide information by asking and answering practiced and some original questions on familiar and everyday topics, using simple WL.IP.2.a.i4 Request, and provide information in conversations on familiar topics by creating simple sentences and asking appropriate follow-up questions.

WL.IP.2.a.i5 Exchange information in conversations on familiar topics and some researched topics, creating sentences and series of sentences and asking a variety of follow-up questions.

WL.IP.2.a.i6 Exchange information in conversations, and some discussions on a variety of familiar and some concrete topics that have been researched, using

WL.IP.2.a.a7
Exchange
information, and ideas
in discussions on a
variety of familiar and
concrete academic
and social topics,
using a few simple
paragraphs across
major time frames.
WL.IP.2.a.a8 Conduct
and sustain
discussions on a wide
variety of familiar and

unfamiliar concrete topics of personal and general interest, and sometimes academic, social or professional topics, by using probing questions and providing detailed responses across major time frames. WL.IP.2.a.a9 Discuss

and sometimes

debate, a variety of

	sentences most of the	connected sentences	complex concrete and
	time.	that may combine to	some abstract
		form paragraphs and	academic, social and
		asking a variety of	professional topics
		questions, often across	and often deal with
		various time frames.	related issues
			hypothetically, using
			precise questions and
			explanations.
	WL.IP.2.b.n1 Express	WL.IP.2.b.i4 Interact	WL.IP.2.b.a7 Interact
	some basic needs, using	with others to meet	and negotiate to
	practiced or memorized	basic needs in familiar	resolve an
	words and phrases, with	situations by creating	unexpected
	the help of gestures or	simple sentences and	complication that
	visuals.	asking appropriate	arises in a familiar
2.b Students meet their needs or	WL.IP.2.b.n2 Express	follow-up questions.	situation, using a few
address situations related to	basic needs related to	WL.IP.2.b.i5 Interact	simple paragraphs
	familiar and everyday	with others to meet	across major time
relevant issues and diverse topics	activities, using a	basic needs in a variety	frames.
in linguistically and culturally	mixture of practiced or	of familiar situations,	WL.IP.2.b.a8 Interact
responsive interactions.	memorized words,	creating sentences and	and negotiate to
	phrases, and questions.	series of sentences and	resolve an
	WL.IP.2.b.n3 Interact	asking a variety of	unexpected
	with others to meet	follow up questions.	complication that
	basic needs related to	WL.IP.2.b.i6 Interact	arises in a familiar
	routine everyday	with others to meet	situation, providing
	activities, using simple	individual needs in a	detailed explanations

sentences and questions variety of situations, and offering a variety of resolutions across most of the time. sometimes involving a complication, using major time frames. connected sentences WL.IP.2.b.a9 Interact that may combine to and negotiate to resolve an form paragraphs and asking a variety of unexpected questions, often across complication in a various time frames. situation that is generally unfamiliar. WL.IP.2.c.n1 Express WL.IP.2.c.i4 Express, WL.IP.2.c.a7 Conduct basic preferences or ask about, and react and sustain feelings, using practiced with some details to conversations by or memorized words and preferences, feelings, providing explanations and phrases, with the help of or opinions on familiar gestures or visuals. topics, by creating comparisons of **2.c.** Students express, react to, and WL.IP.2.c.n2 Express simple sentences and preferences, opinions, support ideas, preferences, and one's own preferences asking appropriate and advice on familiar opinions about relevant issues and or feelings and react to follow-up questions. and concrete diverse topics in linguistically and those of others, using a WL.IP.2.c.i5 Exchange academic and social culturally responsive interactions. mixture of practiced or preferences, feelings, topics using a few memorized words. or opinions and provide simple paragraphs phrases, and questions. basic advice on a across major time WL.IP.2.c.n3 Express, variety of familiar frames. WL.IP.2.c.a8 Conduct ask about, and react to topics, creating preferences, feelings, or sentences and series of and sustain extended opinions on familiar sentences and asking a conversations by

variety of follow-up topics, using simple supporting, reacting sentences most of the auestions. to, and comparing WL.IP.2.c.i6 Explain time and asking preferences and questions to keep the preferences, opinions, opinions and conversation on topic. and emotions, and expressing advice and provide advice on a emotions in detail variety of familiar and across major time some concrete topics frames, and by asking that have been probing questions. researched, using WL.IP.2.c.a9 Discuss. connected sentences in support, and discourse that may sometimes debate. combine to form opinions and advice paragraphs and asking on a variety of a variety of questions, complex concrete often across various topics, often time frames. addressing hypothetical or abstract issues, and asking precise questions.

Discipline: World Language Education (Modern, Classical, Indigenous and Signed)

Goal Area: Communication (CM)- Students communicate effectively in more than one language in order to function in a variety of situations, and for multiple purposes.

Standard 3: Presentational Communication (PS)- Students use the target language, and cultural knowledge to present information, concepts, and ideas on topics of relevance to their lives and broader communities to inform, explain, persuade, and narrate for diverse audiences within and beyond the learning environment.

Learner Practices	Proficiency Benchmarks and Performance Indicators		
	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced
	Students present information on both very familiar, and everyday topics using a variety of practiced or memorized words, phrases, and simple sentences through spoken, written, or signed language.	Students communicate information, make presentations, and express thoughts about familiar topics, using sentences and series of connected sentences through spoken, written, or signed language.	Students deliver detailed, and organized presentations on familiar, as well as, unfamiliar concrete topics, in paragraphs and using various time frames through spoken, written, or signed language.
3.a Students present information, and ideas in linguistically and culturally responsive ways to	WL.PS.3.a.n1 Introduce self using practiced, or memorized words and	WL.PS.3.a.i4 Present personal information about life,	WL.PS.3.a.a7 Tell stories about school and community

describe their lives, experiences,	phrases, with the help of	activities and events,	events, and personal
and events.	gestures or visuals.	using simple sentences.	experiences using
	WL.PS.3.a.n2	WL.PS.3.a.i5	paragraphs across
	Present information	Tell a story about life,	major time frames.
	about interests and	activities, events and	WL.PS.3.a.a8
	activities using a mixture	other social	Tell stories based on
	of practiced or	experiences, using	concrete experiences
	memorized words,	sentences and series of	in academic, social,
	phrases and simple	connected sentences.	and professional
	sentences.	WL.PS.3.a.i6	topics of interest,
	WL.PS.3.a.n3	Tell stories about	using organized
	Present personal	school and community	paragraphs across
	information about life	events and personal	major time frames.
	and activities, using	experiences, using a	WL.PS.3.a.a9
	simple sentences most	few short paragraphs,	Give complex detailed
	of the time.	often across various	narrations beyond the
		time frames.	concrete, often
			addressing abstract
			experiences or
			hypothetical issues.
	WL.PS.3.b.n1	WL.PS.3.b.i4	WL.PS.3.b.a7
3.b Students present information	Express likes and dislikes	· ·	State a viewpoint with
and ideas in linguistically and	using practiced or	preferences on familiar	supporting evidence
culturally responsive ways to	memorized words and	and everyday topics of	on some concrete
convey a preference, opinion or	phrases, with the help of	interest using simple	academic, social and
persuasive argument.	gestures or visuals.	sentences.	professional topics of
	WL.PS.3.b.n2	WL.PS.3.b.i5	interest using

	Express likes and dislikes on very familiar and everyday topics of interest, using a mixture of practiced or memorized words, phrases and simple sentences. WL.PS.3.b.n3 Express preferences on familiar and everyday topics of interest, using simple sentences most of the time.	about familiar topics and give some reasons to support it, using sentences and series of connected sentences. WL.PS.3.b.i6 State a viewpoint on familiar or researched topics, and provide reasons to support it, using a few short paragraphs, often across various time frames.	paragraphs across major time frames. WL.PS.3.b.a8 Present an argument with supporting evidence, based on a variety of concrete academic, social and professional topics of interest, using organized paragraphs across major time frames. WL.PS.3.b.a9 Clearly and accurately present an argument, that may be hypothetical, with supporting evidence on complex concrete issues.
2 c Students present information	WL.PS.3.c.n1	WL.PS.3.c.i4	WL.PS.3.c.a7 Deliver
3.c. Students present information and ideas in linguistically and	Name very familiar people, places, and	Present on familiar, and everyday topics	presentations on some concrete
culturally responsive ways to	objects using practiced,	using simple sentences.	academic, social and
inform, describe, or explain.	or memorized words and	WL.PS.3.c.i5	professional topics of interest using

phrases with the help of gestures or visuals.

WL.PS.3.c.n2

Present on very familiar and everyday topics using a mixture of practiced, or memorized words, phrases and simple sentences.

WL.PS.3.c.n3

Present on familiar and everyday topics using simple sentences most of the time.

Research and give straightforward presentations on a variety of familiar topics and some concrete topics using sentences and series of connected sentences. WL.PS.3.c.i6

Research and give detailed presentations on a variety of familiar topics and some concrete topics using a few short paragraphs, often across various time frames.

paragraphs across major time frames.

WL.PS.3.c.a8 Deliver detailed presentations and elaborate on a variety of concrete academic, social and professional topics of interest using organized paragraphs across major time frames.

WL.PS.3.c.a9 Deliver

cohesive presentations on a variety of complex, concrete topics, which may be hypothetical, related to community interests and some specialized fields.

Discipline: World Language Education (Modern, Classical, Indigenous and Signed)

Goal Area: Cultural and Global Competence (CGC) - Students interact with cultural and global competence.

Standard 4: Intercultural Communication (IC) - Students use the target language and cultural knowledge to investigate, compare, explain, interact, and reflect on the relationships between the products, practices and perspectives of diverse and dynamic cultures within their local, and global communities.

Learner Practices	Proficiency Benchmarks and Performance Indicators (Differentiate for low, mid, high performance within proficiency band.)		
	Novice Students investigate cultural products and practices of their own and other cultures to build understanding of perspectives.	Intermediate Students compare cultural products and practices of their own and other cultures to deepen understanding of perspectives.	Advanced Students explain cultural products and practices in their own and other cultures and how they relate to cultural perspectives.
4.a Students use, and improve their linguistic and cultural skills to investigate, explain, and reflect on the relationship between cultural products and perspectives.	WL.IC.4.a.n Identify, in my own and other cultures, some typical products related to familiar everyday life.	WL.IC.4.a.i Compare, in my own and other cultures, products related to everyday life and personal interests, or studies.	WL.IC.4.a.a Explain how, in my own and other cultures, a variety of products of public and personal interest are related to perspectives.

4.b Students use and improve their linguistic and cultural skills to investigate, explain, and reflect on the relationship between cultural practices and perspectives. Learner Practices	WL.IC.4.b.n Identify some typical practices, in my own and other cultures, related to familiar everyday life. Proficiency Benchman (Differentiate for low, mice)		
	Students interact at a language survival level in some familiar everyday contexts.	Intermediate Students interact at a functional level in some familiar contexts.	Advanced Students interact at a competent level in familiar and some unfamiliar contexts.
4.c Students use the language to interact with members of their local and global community in linguistically and culturally responsive ways.	WL.IC.4.c.n Communicate with others from the target culture in familiar, everyday situations using memorized language, and showing basic cultural and linguistic awareness.	WL.IC.4.c.i Converse with others from the target culture in familiar situations at school, work, or play, and show interest in cultural and linguistic similarities and differences.	WL.IC.4.c.a Converse comfortably with others from the target culture in familiar, and some unfamiliar situations with responsiveness to cultural and linguistic attributes.

	WL.IC.4.c.n	WL.IC.4.c.i	WL.IC.4.c.a
	Use appropriate	Recognize that	Transition smoothly
	rehearsed behaviors,	significant differences	from formal to
4.d Students use culturally	and recognize some	in behaviors exist	informal styles of
appropriate behaviors as they	obviously inappropriate	among cultures, and	behavior, and respond
interact with members of their	behaviors in familiar,	use appropriate	effectively to
local, and global communities.	everyday situations.	learned behaviors for	nonverbal cues and
		successful intercultural	mediate situations of
		communication.	cultural
			misunderstanding
			with empathy.

Discipline: World Language Education (Modern, Classical, Indigenous and Signed)

Goal Area: Cultural and Global Competence (CGC)- Students interact with cultural and global competence.

Standard 5: Global Competence and Community Engagement (GCE)- Students use the target language, and cultural knowledge to investigate the world, recognize diverse perspectives, interact and exchange ideas with people from diverse backgrounds, and engage with others to improve conditions within their local, and global communities.

Learner Practices	Grade Level Benchmarks and Proficiency-Based Performance Indicators (Differentiate for low, mid, high performance within proficiency band.)			
	Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	
	Students use words, memorized phrases, images, and lists to interpret, exchange, and present ideas and information in culturally appropriate ways to address questions related to local and global issues.	Students use language creatively as they interpret, exchange, and present ideas and information in culturally appropriate ways. Students use the language to ask, and answer simple questions on familiar topics and can manage daily interactions, and	Students narrate, describe, and reflect on past, present and future experiences and events, and can use the language and cultural insights to address local and global issues.	

5.a Students use and improve their language skills and cultural knowledge to examine, compare, and draw conclusions about local and global issues and events.	WL.GCE.5.a.n Use evidence from domestic, and international sources to address a question with significance to their local and global community.	transactions related to local and global issues. WL.GCE.5.a.i Pose a research question, examine and assess domestic, and international sources for evidence, and develop an informed position on an issue of local and global significance.	WL.GCE.5.a.a Identify and pursue a research project, using domestic, and international sources on an issue of local and global significance.
5.b Students use, and improve their language skills and cultural knowledge as they examine and integrate diverse perspectives and worldviews.	WL.GCE.5.b.n Identify different personal and community perspectives on an issue of local and global significance.	WL.GCE.5.b.i Compare one's position and perspectives on an issue of local and global significance with those of others.	WL.GCE.5.b.a Present and analyze ways varying perspectives influence behaviors, and impact issues of local and global significance.
5.c Students use, and improve their language skills and cultural knowledge as they interact, and exchange ideas across boundaries of language, culture, and identity.	WL.GCE.5.c.n Exchange information and perspectives on an issue of local and global significance in linguistically and culturally appropriate ways.	WL.GCE.5.c.i Exchange diverse positions and perspectives on an issue of local and global significance in linguistically and appropriate ways.	WL.GCE.5.c.a Personalize a presentation of a research project on an issue of local and global significance in ways that are responsive to the target audience.

5.d Students use and improve their language skills and cultural knowledge as they engage with others to improve conditions toward sustainable development and collective well-being.

WL.GCE.5.d.n
Identify options, plan,
take steps, and reflect on
actions targeting an
issue of local and global
significance.

Assess options, plan, take steps, and reflect on impact of personal and group actions addressing an issue of local and global significance.

WL.GCE.5.d.i

Plan, execute, and reflect on a research or service project designed to improve conditions related to an issue of local and global significance

WL.GCE.5.d.a

5.e Students set goals, and reflect on their use of language and intercultural skills to maximize life-long learning, personal enrichment, and benefit to self and community.

WL.GCE.5.e.n
Choose goals for
language learning and
use for personal or
community life, and then
monitor and reflect on
progress toward those
goals.

WL.GCE.5.e.i
Identify goals for
language learning and
use for personal or
community life, and then
reflect on progress in
order to plan next steps.

WL.GCE.5.e.a
Compare goals for and progress with language learning and use for personal or community life with others to identify common challenges and helpful strategies to inform next steps.

Key Terms

Articulation: The relationship between and across levels of instruction. A coherent continuum for learning to support smooth transitions for learners as they continue their language study. Helps educators know the knowledge and skills focus for past, current, and future student learning. Critical for matriculation between elementary, middle, high school, and post-secondary learning environments.

Authentic tasks: Real-life or simulated tasks for language learning and applied use that reflect authentic linguistic and cultural practices.

Authentic texts: Written, typed, oral, signed, and visual materials created for and by the target language community.

Benchmarks: Long-term goals for learning to inform program and course outcomes.

Can-Do Statement: Description of what students can do in the target language.

Community/civic engagement: Developing and applying knowledge, skills, and habits within communities with diverse perspectives to address issues, solve problems, or affect change.

Content: The focus of what is being learned or communicated through the language which may include academic subjects, relevant themes, and cultural learning.

Context: The community, situation, or relevant environment in which the language is learned or used.

Cultural competence: The cultural knowledge, skills, and awareness to represent, and interact within and across cultures in respectful, affirming, and responsive

Cultural literacy: The ability to interpret and engage in a cultural community or context.

Culture: The products, practices, and perspectives of a specified group of people.

Culturally responsive: Practices and curriculum that respect students' cultures and prepares students to interact with respect within the target language culture.

Developmental age: The cognitive, emotional, physical, and social ability associated with a chronological age.

Diverse communities: A variety of linguistically and culturally diverse school, local, national, and international communities.

Disciplinary literacy/learning: The intersection of content knowledge, experiences, and skills with the ability to read, write, listen, speak, think critically, and perform in a way that is meaningful within the context of a given field of study or practice.

Dual language immersion: Dual language immersion programs are designed to realize academic achievement, bilingualism and biliteracy in English and a partner language with attention to the development of intercultural skills and global competence. A minimum of 50% of the instructional day, and core academic content learning, is facilitated in the partner language.

Equity: All students have access to educational resources and rigor across race, gender, ethnicity, language, disability, sexual orientation, family background, and/or family income.

Framework: An organizational structure to inform and support teaching and learning

Functions: What students do with language as they engage with content and interact with others. The active and purposeful use of language.

Global competence: The capacity and disposition to understand and act on issues of global significance in linguistically and culturally responsive ways.

Global Education Achievement Certificate Program: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction program to improve and recognize students' global competence through school and community-based experiences. Qualifying criteria includes four credits, or the equivalent, of a world language.

Home language: The primary language used in a student's home and/or community.

Intensity: Description of the frequency and duration of instructional time.

Intercultural communication: Use of the language and cultural knowledge to investigate, interpret, explain, interact, and reflect on cultural products, practices, and perspectives relative to their lives and broader communities.

Interpretive communication: Use of target language and cultural knowledge to interpret, analyze, and demonstrate understanding of authentic speech, texts, media, or signed language on topics relevant to their lives and broader communities.

Interpersonal communication: Use of target language and cultural knowledge to negotiate meaning through the exchange of information, ideas, reactions, feelings, and opinions in spoken, written, or signed interactions relevant to their lives and broader communities.

Learner practices: Observable functional learning tasks through which students develop and apply knowledge and skills.

Learner profile: Unique types of learners such as bilingual, heritage, indigenous, and world language learners.

Linguistically and culturally responsive: Seeking understanding of, and interacting in ways that honor, affirm, and develop diverse ways of knowing, being, and communicating within and across cultures.

Media: Variety of text types including film, art, commercials, broadcasts, symbols, etc.

Modern language: Language used in contemporary life.

Multiliterate: Able to communicate meaning across a variety of cultural, social, disciplinary, linguistic, and technological contexts.

Native language: A person's earliest, first, or primary language.

Pathway: A continuum of learning from novice, through intermediate, to advanced language proficiency and beyond.

Performance: The ability to use language that has been learned and practiced in an instructional setting.

Performance indicator: Description of how well students demonstrate a learner practice at a specified proficiency level.

Presentational communication: Use of target language and cultural knowledge to present information, concepts, and ideas on topics of relevance to their lives and broader communities to inform, explain, persuade, and narrate for diverse audiences within and beyond the learning environment.

Proficiency: The degree to which students can consistently use language, on their own, in real world situations and in linguistically and culturally responsive ways.

Proficiency benchmarks: Learning goals based on the ACTFL proficiency continuum of novice through distinguished level language skills.

Program model: Type of language education program such as one-way and two-way dual language immersion, K-12 world language, heritage language, facilitated language study, etc.

Reawakening: The process of honoring, revitalizing, and sustaining the teaching, learning, and use of American Indian indigenous languages.

Relevant: Related and valuable to student and community experiences, interests, and needs

Seal of Biliteracy: Academic credential or talent marker recognizing students' bilingualism, biliteracy, and socio-cultural competence.

Sequential curriculum: Curricula that reflects an articulated progression of learning within and across contexts.

State administrative rule: Rules within state law that govern operations or conduct.

Student placement: Determining the appropriate learning environment for a student based on their background knowledge and skills.

Target language: The language being taught, assessed, and learned.

Text: A resource that is written, printed, or spoken and carries meaning.

Thematic unit: Instructional plan for an extended period of study based on a meaningful, relevant, and authentic context and content for language learning and performance.

Well-rounded: Education characterized by access to rich and diverse learning experiences that prepare students with the knowledge, skills, and mindset needed for success in our modern world. Includes access to world language learning.

World language: A modern or classical language of the world. Includes the 350 home languages of the United States. World languages may be spoken, written, and signed. Does not include computer languages.

World-ready: Prepared for full participation in the linguistically and culturally diverse communities and contexts of the modern world.

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