

World Languages Programs Course Offerings and Diploma Requirements 2024–25



Elementary School Courses (K–5)	
Dual Language Immersion Spanish	Escuela Key & Claremont only Content Instruction in Spanish and English
World Language at the Elementary School (Spanish)	Randolph IB Spanish

Middle School Courses (Grade 6) Continue studying Spanish or start another language							
Dual Language Immersion Spanish	Gunston only Continue Dual Language Immersion study						
1 Semester of World Language & 1 Semester of English Reading	Languages offered vary by school (see below). Students must demonstrate that they read English “at level.” Students whose reading is NOT at level must enroll in a full year of English Reading instead of a world language.						
<i>All courses will be offered; however, if enrollments are too low, a course may be canceled.</i>							
Middle School Grade 6 World Language Courses	H B W o o d l a w n	G u n s t o n	D o r o t h y H a m m	J e f f e r s o n	K e n m o r e	S w a n s o n	W i l l i a m s b u r g
Introduction to American Sign Language				√			
Introduction to Arabic				√			
Introduction to Mandarin Chinese				√			
Introduction to French	√			√		√	
Introduction to Latin				√		√	
Introduction to Spanish	√	√		√	√	√	
Introduction to Spanish for Fluent Speakers / Spanish for Fluent Speakers – Grade 6				√			
Immersion Spanish (after 6 years or equivalent of Spanish Immersion)		√					
Exploratory Wheel/Exploring Language		√	√				

√ Instruction is provided by an in-class teacher.

Students with Disabilities

Students with Disabilities are encouraged to enroll in world language study. There are many cognitive and social benefits of learning a second language. Arlington teachers and schools are prepared to offer support and accommodations to help students to succeed in developing communication skills in another language.

Middle School Courses (Grades 7 & 8)

All courses will be offered; however, if enrollments are too low, a course may be canceled.

Middle School Grades 7 & 8 World Language Courses	HB Woo dla w n	Gun ston	Doro thy Ham m	Jeffe rson	Ken mor e	Swa nson	Willi ams burg
American Sign Language 1-2	√	√		√			
Arabic 1–2	O	√	√	√	√	√	
Chinese 1–2	O	√	√	√	√	√	√
French 1–2	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Latin 1–2	√		√	√	√	√	√
Spanish 1–2	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Spanish for Fluent Speakers 1-2	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Dual Language Immersion Spanish		√					

√ Course is taught by an in-class teacher.

O Course is taught online.

High School (Grades 9–12)

World Language course offerings are shown in the table on the next page.

Diploma Requirements for World Language

Standard Diploma

No specific world language requirements.

Advanced Studies Diploma

- 3 high school credits in a single world language
OR
- 2 credits each in 2 languages (total of 4 credits)
 - o Accommodations are available for students with disabilities and IEPs. SB 323

Earning High School Credit by Examination

Students who have proficiency in a world language may take an examination and earn up to a possible 4 world language credits. The test is given once a year in the fall in many languages. Please see our website for registration for Credit by Exam. It is important to note that credits cannot be duplicated on a transcript, nor can a proficiency test replace a previously earned grade taken in high school.

Proficiency levels required to receive credit by examination.

Note: Accommodations are available for students with disabilities and IEPs.

Novice-High:	1 credit
Intermediate-Low:	2 credits
Intermediate-Mid:	3 credits
Intermediate-High and above	4 credits

Virginia State Diploma Seal of Biliteracy

The Virginia Board of Education's **Seal of Biliteracy** certifies that a student has achieved functional communicative proficiency in English and another world language.

Virginia Seal of Biliteracy Requirements: Pass the 11th grade English SOL examination and meet the [Virginia Department of Education requirements](#).



High School Courses (Grades 9–12)

All courses will be offered; however, if enrollments are too low, a course may be canceled.

High School: Grades 9–12 World Language Courses	HB Woo dla wn	Was hing ton- Libe rty	Wa kefi eld	Yor kto wn	Car eer Ce nte r
American Sign Language (ASL) 1–4	√	√	√	√	√
ASL Dual Enrollment NOVA/APS Int. ASL 201 (3 college credits/1 APS credit)					√
ASL Dual Enrollment NOVA/APS Int. ASL 202 (3 college credits/1 APS credit)					√
Arabic 1–5	O	√*	√	√	O
Arabic IB 1–2		√			
Chinese 1, 2 and 4	O	√	CC	√	O
Chinese 3	√	√	√	√	√
Chinese AP Language & Culture	O		O	O	O
Chinese IB 1–2		√			
French 1–5	√	√	√	√	√**
French AP Language & Culture	√	√	√	√	
French IB SL 1–2 / IB HL 1–2		√			
German 1–3 **	CC	CC	CC	CC	√
Japanese 1–3		√	√	√	
Latin 1–5	√	√	CC	√	√
Latin Dual Enrollment NOVA/APS Int. Latin 201-202 (6 college credits/1 APS credit)					√
Latin AP	√			√	
Latin IB 1–2 / IB HL 1–2		√			
Spanish for Fluent Speakers 1–3	√	√	√	√	
Spanish 1–5	√	√	√	√	√***
Spanish Dual Enrollment NOVA/APS Int. Spanish 201-202 (6 college credits/1 APS credit)					√
Spanish AP Language & Culture	√	√	√	√	
Spanish AP Literature			√	√	
Spanish IB SL 1–2 / IB HL 1–2		√			
Spanish Literary Analysis for Fluent Speakers IB HL 1–2		√			
Advanced Studies: Spanish	√		√		
Spanish Language Arts 9			√		
Spanish Immersion (Biology & Chemistry taught in Spanish)			√		

√ Course is taught by an in-class teacher

O Course is typically delivered online

CC Instruction is provided at the Career Center where students take German, Latin and Chinese courses

NOVA Northern Virginia Community College

*Arabic 1-4 and Latin 1-4 at W&L followed by IB Arabic 1-2 and IB Latin 1-2

**Career Center offers French levels 1-3

***Career Center is Spanish 1-4 with Level 5 being a Dual Enrolled APS & Community College Intermediate I/II Spanish

For more information, visit the Arlington Public Schools website at www.apsva.us