2017 COMMUNITY-BASED HERITAGE LANGUAGE SCHOOLS CONFERENCE
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, DC
ROOMS 602 AND 618 (6TH FLOOR), SPRING VALLEY BUILDING
4801 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, NW, WASHINGTON, DC, 20016

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

6:00 PM: MEET & GREET, CHEVY CHASE PAVILION AT WILLIE'S BAR, EMBASSY SUITES,
4300 MILITARY ROAD NW, WASHINGTON, DC, 20015

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:30AM - 9:00AM: CONFERENCE REGISTRATION – LOBBY OF ROOM 602

9:00AM - 9:30AM: OPENING PLENARY - ROOM 602

WELCOME AND OPENING STATEMENTS
National Coalition of Community-Based Heritage Language Schools

Danielle Sodani, Director, Institute for Innovation in Education, American University (AU)

Dr. Joel Gómez, President, Center for Applied Linguistics (CAL)

Dr. Claire Hitchins Chik, Associate Director, Title VI National Heritage Language Resource Center (NHLRC)

José Viana, Assistant Deputy Secretary and Director, Office of English Language Acquisition (OELA), U.S. Department of Education

9:30AM – 10:30AM: KEYNOTE ADDRESS – ROOM 602

The Power of the Heritage Language in Identity Formation and Engagement

Dr. Guadalupe Valdés, Bonnie Katz Tenenbaum Professor of Education, Stanford Graduate School of Education, Stanford University, California

10:30AM – 10:45AM: BREAK – COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS - LOBBY OF ROOM 602
10:45AM - 12:00PM: MORNING SESSION PRESENTATIONS – ROOM 602

KEY ASPECTS OF STRONG COMMUNITY-BASED HERITAGE LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

OPENING: DR. JOY KREEFT PEYTON, MODERATOR

1. TEACHER RETENTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FACILITATOR: DR. TOMMY LU, EX-OFFICIO BOARD DIRECTOR, CHINESE SCHOOL OF DELAWARE

PRESENTERS: Dr. Renate Ludanyi, President, German School Conference; President and Principal, German School of Connecticut; Dr. Sigrid Belluz, Vice-President, German School Conference; Principal, Deutsche Schule, Charlotte NC; Dr. Heidi Rex, Linguist and Teacher, German Saturday School, Boston, Massachusetts

Dr. An Chung Cheng, Professor, University of Toledo, Ohio; Vice-President, National Council of Less Commonly Taught Languages

2. ASSESSING STUDENT LEARNING

FACILITATOR: ANA LÚCIA LICÓ, CO-FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BRAZILIAN ASSOCIATION FOR CULTURE AND EDUCATION (ABRACE)

PRESENTERS: Anne Donovan, Project Manager, Center for Applied Linguistics (CAL); Jing Wei, Senior Research Associate, Center for Applied Linguistics (CAL)

Marty Abbot, Executive Director, American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)

3. BUILDING FAMILY SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

FACILITATOR: DR. MARTA MCCABE, FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT, CZECH AND SLOVAK SCHOOL OF NORTH CAROLINA

PRESENTERS: Dr. Masako Douglas, Professor of Japanese, California State University, Long Beach; Orange Coast Gakuen Japanese Language School

Jane Ross, French Heritage Language Program, New York, New York; Mathilde Landier, French Heritage Language Program Coordinator (French Cultural Services/Face Foundation), New York, New York

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM: MORNING SESSION ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS – ROOM 618

1. TEACHER RETENTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FACILITATORS: An Chung Cheng and Tommy Lu
Heidi Rex
Gaila Narkevičienė, Principal, Boston Lithuanian School
2. **STUDENT ASSESSMENT**

FACILITATORS: Marty Abbott
Neila Baumiliene, Director, Kazickas Family Foundation, New York, New York
Anne Donovan and Jing Wei

3. **FAMILY SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

FACILITATORS: Marta McCabe And Masako Douglas
Jane Ross and Mathilde Landier
Drs. Surendra and Vijay Gambhir, Emeritus Faculty, University of Pennsylvania

CLOSING: ANA LÚCIA LICO, MODERATOR

Participants come together to report and reflect on their learning and share ideas and next steps.

1:15PM - 2:15PM: LUNCH – ROOM 618

2:15PM - 3:40PM – AFTERNOON SESSION PANEL DISCUSSIONS – ROOM 602

SUSTAINING PROGRAMS BY MAKING CONNECTIONS WITH OTHERS
OPENING: DR. JOY KREEFT PEYTON, MODERATOR

1. **ADVOCACY AND COLLABORATION**

PANELISTS: Dr. Claire Chik, Associate Director, Title VI National Heritage Language Resource Center (NHLRC)
Dr. Masako Douglas, Professor of Japanese, California State University, Long Beach; Orange Coast Gakuen Japanese Language School
Dr. Ted Supalla, Professor of Neurology, Center for Brain Plasticity and Recovery, Georgetown University

2. **RECOGNITION OF STUDENT PROFICIENCY AND ACHIEVEMENT**

PANELISTS: Marty Abbott, Executive Director, American Council on The Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)
Katarina Brito, Bilingual Program Developer, DC Public Schools (Developer of DCPS Seal of Biliteracy)

3. **FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROGRAMS**

PANELISTS: Betsy Hart, Director of Programs, National Foreign Language Center (NFLC) and STARTALK
José Viana, Assistant Deputy Secretary & Director, Office of English Language Acquisition (OELA), U.S. Department of Education

3:40PM – 3:50PM: BREAK – COFFEE AND OTHER BEVERAGES - ROOM 618
3:50PM – 4:45PM: AFTERNOON SESSION ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS – ROOM 618

1. ADVOCACY AND COLLABORATION
   DISCUSSION GROUP
   LEADERS: Claire Chik
             Masako Douglas
             Ted Supalla

2. RECOGNITION OF STUDENT PROFICIENCY AND ACHIEVEMENT
   DISCUSSION GROUP
   LEADERS: Marty Abbott
             Katarina Brito
             Liz Blesson, Dual Language Analyst, DC Public Schools (Coordinator of DCPS Seal of Biliteracy)

3. FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROGRAMS
   DISCUSSION GROUP
   LEADERS: Betsy Hart
             José Viana

4:45PM - 5:30PM: CONFERENCE CLOSING – ROOM 618

PARTICIPANTS COME TOGETHER AS A WHOLE GROUP TO REPORT AND REFLECT ON THEIR LEARNING AND SHARE IDEAS AND NEXT STEPS

• The Coalition as an initiative that we can all engage in
• Coalition website
• Program survey
• Ways that Language Representatives can engage their communities
• Future initiatives

REFLECTION
1. What have we learned today?
2. What might be the goals and activities of the Coalition?
3. How can we continue to work together?

RAFFLE

5:30PM - 7:00PM – RECEPTION – ROOM 618

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CONFEREE PRESENTERS AND FACILITATORS

- Marty Abbot, Executive Director, American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)
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- Ana Lúcia Lico, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Brazilian Association for Culture and Education (ABRACE)
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- Polina Vinogradova, Director, TESOL Program, Department of World Languages and Cultures, American University

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