

May 30, 2014

Dear member,

With the end of the school year approaching, I am sure you have projects to grade, summative reports to submit, and so many other things to check off of your To Do list. As you complete your tasks, I want to emphasize what a valued FLENJ member you are – and how much we have accomplished together this year.



We accomplish so much as an organization with the support of **Cheri Quinlan**, the Coordinator of World Languages, International Education, and Gifted and Talented in the New Jersey Department of Education. Cheri will retire this July and to recognize her efforts on behalf of world language, FLENJ presented her with the [FLENJ 2014 Most Distinguished Service Award](#).

Cheri Quinlan's work is not complete; **she needs your feedback on the proposed revision of the World Language Standard**. Please go to <http://www.nj.gov/education/news/2014/standards/> and use your expertise to weigh in. While we will miss Cheri, we have her legacy in the form of so many WL resources available at [NJDOE-WL](#).

The many accomplishments of our members truly humble us. **CONGRATULATIONS** go to the Districts/Schools awarded the World Languages Model Program designation:

- **Englewood Public Schools** for their Elementary World Language Immersion Program
- **Fairhaven School District** for its World Language Program
- The **Hoboken Dual Language Charter School (HOLA)** for its Dual Language Program
- **Princeton Regional Schools** for their K-12 World Language Program
- **West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional District** for its K-12 World Language Program

There are many outstanding WL teachers both within and beyond these model programs. Please consider: recognizing and promoting **your colleague** with a nomination for a [FLENJ Teacher Award](#).

FLENJ NEWS:



- Board member **Amanda Seewald** has returned from Washington, DC where she advocated for WL. Be sure to read her very informative [newsletter](#) and get ideas to bring your own advocacy efforts to the next level.
- **Now in progress: a raffle** for a chance to win \$500.00 toward your expenses at the annual conference of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). Visit beautiful San Antonio, Texas!
- **Register now** for FLENJ's [professional development workshops](#) for the 2014-2015 academic year. We look forward to seeing you at Greg Duncan's **Teachers Make a Difference IF...** on October 29, 2014!
- **Call for Mentors and Mentees: Applications** for the 2014-2015 school year are now open. Experienced teachers share your talents and reap the rewards of having helped a colleague! New teachers with one to five years of experience, you are not alone. We can help you be the best you can be. The application deadline is **July 30, 2014**. Don't miss out!

Best wishes,
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