



Dear FLENJ members,

*“Take a rest. A field that has rested gives a bountiful crop.” ~ Ovid.*

SUMMER! We made it! All of us at FLENJ hope that this past academic year has been fulfilling for you professionally and personally! Time to rest and renew! Often it is when we allow our minds to rest that our most creative and exciting ideas emerge. Be sure to keep a journal or a digital space close by in case inspiration strikes!

FLENJ is working hard this summer to enhance your professional experiences. With your support and guidance, we hope to bring professional collaboration and learning to the next level. Advocacy, awards, interactive learning, and camaraderie are many of the best ways we can do this. We invite you to be a part of FLENJ in this, our 100<sup>th</sup> year. As a FLENJ member you are making a statement about your dedication to your work, to your students, to New Jersey education, and to the essential role of language learning in our global society. Take a moment to [watch this video](#) developed by the Network of Business Language Educators (NOBLE). I urge you to take time this summer to reflect on how very important language and cultural education are especially at this time in our history and how **your work** and **your instruction** could be the spark that inspires a child or many children to contribute to a more peaceful future for everyone. [“What is culture?”](#) is a video from a program of the U.S. State Department’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and is a great resource to share!

And when you are ready to get energized with new ideas for the next year, FLENJ is prepared!

Register, Apply, Propose, Volunteer!!!

[Register now for the FLENJ Summer Refresher](#)

Foreign Language Educators of NJ & Rowan University proudly present  
**Summer Refresher 2016**  
a relaxed and collegial gathering to help you refresh and reinvigorate your world language teaching practice

Join us on **Thursday, August 11, 2016**  
**9:15 AM – 3:15 PM**  
Rowan University  
Glassboro, NJ

**TOPICS INCLUDE**

- What is proficiency-based instruction?
- How can I balance the 3 modes of communication?
- How can I infuse culture throughout my curriculum rather than isolating it?
- What does brain research tell us about how students best learn languages?
- What are some activities that I can use in my classroom to promote student engagements?
- How can we create balanced assessments?
- How do I keep instruction in the target language?
- How can I create a classroom environment that fosters language acquisition?

**SCHEDULE**

- 8:45-9:15 Registration & Networking
- 9:15-9:30 Welcome & Overview
- 9:30-10:30 Session 1
- 10:45-11:45 Session 2
- 11:45-1:00 Lunch, Networking, Raffle
- 1:00-2:00 Session 3
- 2:15-3:15 Session 4

**\$15**  
Registration includes lunch and 5 hour PD certificate

Register by July 31  
at [www.flenj.org/summer](http://www.flenj.org/summer)

[FLENJ 2017 Annual Conference- Submit a Proposal!](#)

**Oh, the Places We'll Go!**  
**Pathways to World Language and Proficiency and Global Citizenship**  
March 31 – April 1, 2017  
APA Hotel – Iselin, NJ

[Get involved! FLENJ NEEDS YOU!](#) Who is ready to help us bring these exciting events to life? We are looking for FLENJ members interested in volunteering for our events and awards committees. If you are interested, please complete the [FLENJ Committee Volunteer form](#) and you will hear from us very soon. This is a great way to have an impact and share your ideas to help FLENJ best serve New Jersey’s world language teachers.