The **World Language Assessment** is a wonderful opportunity for students in grades **7-12** to receive recognition for their proficiency in reading, writing, speaking, and understanding a language other than English, earn additional high school world language credits, and free up space in class schedules. Qualifying students may earn the Seal of Biliteracy, special recognition that is very meaningful for many students and families.

**Registration costs $10 and is open through October 31. There is only one testing opportunity in the 2023-24 school year. Testing will take place between November 28 and December 15. Please check with your schools’s assessment coordinator for specific testing dates at your building.**

The Communications office will begin their social media campaign on September 5 with several subsequent reminders throughout the registration window. The [WLA Website](https://www.everettsd.org/Page/22317) has been updated and includes Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) in English and in translations.

Interested students must complete a [student agreement](https://docushare.everett.k12.wa.us/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-125426/WLA%20Student%20Agreement%20Form%202023-24.pdf) (attached). This helps students understand what they need to know and be able to do to earn credit. Please keep in mind that students must be able to read, write, speak, and understand their language in order to earn credit. Students who cannot write, for example, cannot earn credit and should not test. Students can access [practice tests](https://www.everettsd.org/Page/29993) to see if the WLA is right for them. Practice test information is available on the flyer, FAQ, and registration cards. Students should take their agreement form to the treasurer (high schools) or office manager (middle schools) to register. Office managers and treasurers will use student agreements to determine if a student should be allowed to register. **Students who respond “no” to being able to read, write, understand, or speak the language are not allowed to register.** Students who indicate that they don’t know how to **type** in that language **should still register**.

Next Steps:

* Share this important information and the attached documents with students.
* If students are not sure if they are proficient, please encourage them to look at the [practice materials](https://www.everettsd.org/Page/29993). It is important that we are clear with students about what they must know and be able to do to earn credit, as they will miss instructional time to test.
* Students **MUST** complete the practice writing sample on the back of their [student agreement](https://docushare.everett.k12.wa.us/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-125426/WLA%20Student%20Agreement%20Form%202023-24.pdf) form before turning into the registrar or office manager.

Attached please find:

* [Student Flyers and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) documents](https://docushare.everett.k12.wa.us/docushare/dsweb/View/Collection-17855)
* [Student Agreement (to submit at registration)](https://docushare.everett.k12.wa.us/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-125426/WLA%20Student%20Agreement%20Form%202023-24.pdf)