

# Alternative World Language Credit Process

## Purpose

Students may be awarded credit for successful completion of World Language courses not offered by the district from an accredited institution within the United States. The World Language course must be taken outside of normal school hours. Students can earn a maximum of two credits for the purpose of meeting graduation requirements for World Language courses not offered in Frisco ISD. All programs seeking to be considered for credit must meet specific criteria and be pre-approved by the District World Language Coordinator.

## Accreditation

For purposes of the district guidelines, accreditation is defined as the institution being accredited by either:

- a) the Texas Education Agency Texas Private School Accreditation Commission ([TEPSAC](#))
- b) the [regional accrediting associations](#)

## Pre-Approval Process

The district will consider requests for students to enroll in a language course taught outside of Frisco ISD. Pre-approval may be requested after the student's 6th grade year. See the list of approved schools [here](#).

All World Language programs seeking to be considered for credit must meet specific criteria and be pre-approved by the district World Language Coordinator. The components outlined below need to be submitted for review in order to ensure program alignment with Frisco ISD standards.

1. Letter on School Letterhead Containing:
  - a. Accrediting body and current accreditation status
  - b. Dates of intended course enrollment
  - c. Confirmation that all TEKS for appropriate course(s) level will be taught
    - i. 19 TAC Chapter 114. Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Languages Other than English
2. Course Description(s)
3. Course(s) Scope and Sequence

### **Requirements for Credit**

- ❑ Course(s) offered during non-school hours
- ❑ Students can earn a maximum of 2 credits for the purpose of meeting graduation requirements for World Language courses not offered in Frisco ISD
- ❑ Transcript must include credit for the course(s) labeled with the language and level(s) completed
- ❑ Credit for World Language courses currently offered in Frisco ISD is not able to be earned through the Alternative World Language Credit Process

### **Transcripting**

Students will need to provide the transcript to the campus counselor to be reviewed verifying completion of the language course no sooner than the Spring of the student's 8th grade year. The transcript must include the language and level(s) completed. For students graduating in 2020-2023, GPA points will not be awarded for these credits. For students graduating in 2024 and beyond, GPA points will be awarded for these credits.