

## 2022-23 World Language Policy

### **Two year World Language requirement:**

World language study encourages and builds mental flexibility, superiority in concept formation, and diversification of cognitive abilities. Those who have studied world languages retain these cognitive benefits well into adulthood and old age.

**Quest Forward Academy (QFA), requires two years of World Language (20 credits) to qualify for high school graduation.** To meet these requirements, Quest Forward Academy (QFA) offers Spanish 1, Spanish 2, Spanish 3, Spanish 4 and Spanish 5. This offering allows students to not only meet the High School graduation requirements, but to continue to meet requirements for post-high school study.

Please note that QFA, in accordance with the University of Californias, strongly encourages 3 to 4 years of a World Language. We recommend that this is one language taken in consecutive years.

If a student is a bilingual heritage learner of a language other than English, there are opportunities for growth in the same language or a new language. Please see the QFA Guidance Counselor for more information and added opportunities.

**California State World Language Requirement:** Two years in the same language are required.

**University of California World Language Requirement:** Two years in the same language required. Three to four years recommended.

### **Independent Study/Alternate Program World Language**

Quest Forward Academy requires all graduating students to complete 2 years of consecutive World Language. In rare circumstances, a student may need to complete this requirement through an alternate program due to being a pre-defined medical, physical or psychological reason. In these cases, an exception may be approved. **Please read the following information carefully.**

**An exception application must be approved in advance by the Guidance Counselor and Director of Students and Family Services.**

Beginning August 2022, for Independent Study/Alternate Program World Language, students must provide a signed application **in advance** to be eligible. This application must be completed and accompanied by the desired program overview. The application includes the following information:

- The requested language and academic level
- The name, program information and all contact information for the requested educational institution
- Program credits available per term
- Signatures of student, parent/guardian
- **Once conditional approval has been received, the student must register in an approved course of study (at own cost). A copy of the registration (including class schedule) must be completed and submitted for final approval..**

**\*\*Application for Independent Study/Alternate Program World Language can be found on the following page\*\***

Once you have the ***completed application*** in hand, submit it to the QFA Guidance Counselor. Within 14 days, the student will receive a conditional acceptance or denial of the Independent study/Alternate Program World Language participation.

Students must **register in the approved course of study and submit registration information to the QFA Guidance Counselor for final approval. This exception is not considered complete and approved until all documentation has been received.** Keep this approved form in a safe place for your own records.

**After acceptance and approval of your application, in order to remain eligible and receive credit for QFA's Independent Study/Alternate Program, students must provide continued documentation of participation throughout the school year:**

- Term 2 ( late November), students must provide documentation from the World Language Program certifying the term language requirements have been met, including grade and credit earned.
- Prior to the end of QFA's Term 4, (early May), students must provide documentation from the World Language Program certifying the term language requirements have been met, including grade and credit earned.

**If all requirements have been met and approved, the student transcript will be updated with credit under World Language.**

**\*\* Application for Independent Study/Alternate Program World Language may be accessed on the following page\*\***

## Independent Study/Alternate Program World Language Application

Date of application & year \_\_\_\_\_ Please circle one: **Term 1-2** **Term 3-4**

*Please note that filling out this application does not guarantee approval. Students and guardian/s will be notified by email.*

Student full legal name: \_\_\_\_\_ GraduationYear: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested World Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Level (ie: highschool, college): \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Institution (ie: UC Scout, Apex Learning, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Program (circle one):  Online  Hybrid  In Person

Statement of reason for requested exception: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian full name \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Hours per week of participation: \_\_\_\_\_

*By signing, I certify that this is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I may receive a conditional approval based upon the above information. Upon submission of registration for the above course, the application will be considered complete and exception approved.*

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_