## World Languages Certification and Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements

In classes where the general education teacher has the primary instructional responsibility, the special education teacher does not need to meet HQ requirements.

### Teaching Grades

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Teachers holding this certificate may provide direct instruction in world language in grades P-3 more than half time if they:

1. Take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and receive a rating in the Advanced proficiency range*; and
2. Complete a department approved second language acquisition/ methodology course.

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### Teaching Grades K-5

Teachers holding this certificate may provide direct instruction in a world language in grades K-5 more than half time if they:

1. Take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and receive a rating in the Advanced proficiency range*; and
2. Complete a department approved second language acquisition/ methodology course.

### Teaching Grades 6-8

Teachers holding this certificate(s) may provide direct instruction a world language in grades 6 – 8 more than half time if they:

1. Take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and receive a rating in the Advanced proficiency range*; and
2. Complete a department approved second language acquisition/ methodology course.

### Teaching Grades P-12

Teachers holding this certificate may provide direct instruction in a world language more than half time in grades 6 – 8 if they:

1. Take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and receive a rating in the Advanced proficiency range*; and
2. Complete a department approved second language acquisition/ methodology course;
3. Obtain the Middle School Endorsement in the world language which includes the following requirements:
   - Pass the Praxis; and
   - Complete 15 credits in the language they will teach; and
   - Complete a course(s) in child and adolescent psychology.

### Teaching Grades 6-12

Teachers holding the SWD and P-12 certificate may provide direct instruction in a world language P-12 if they:

1. Take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and receive a rating in the Advanced proficiency range*; and
2. Complete a department approved second language acquisition/ methodology course; and
3. Obtain the P-12 certificate in the world language.

Teachers holding the TOH may provide direct instruction in a world language 6-12 if they meet the first two requirements above and:

- Pass the Praxis; or
- Possess an undergraduate major or graduate degree in the world language; or
- Complete 30 credits in the world language (12 credits at the junior/senior level); or
- Hold National Board Certification.

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*Teacher of character languages such as Chinese: OPI rating of intermediate high or better. **Teacher of Latin**: Pass the Latin test for teacher certification.
### Special Education Teachers Teaching A World Language Half Time or Less

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Teachers holding these certificates may teach a world language half time or less in the grades specified by their certificate without meeting further highly qualified requirements.

Refer to certification requirements in N.J.A.C. 6A:9-11.10 for elementary teachers teaching world languages half time or less.

### Teaching Grades P-3

Teachers holding these certificates may teach a world language half time or less in the grades specified by their certificate without meeting further highly qualified requirements.

Refer to certification requirements in N.J.A.C. 6A:9-11.10 for elementary teachers teaching world languages half time or less.

### Teaching Grades K-5 or N-8

Teachers holding these certificates may teach a world language half time or less in the grades specified by their certificate without meeting further highly qualified requirements.

### Teaching Grades 6-8

Teachers holding these certificates may teach a world language half time or less in grades 6 – 8 if they complete one of the five options below:

- Take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and receive a rating in the Advanced proficiency range*
- Pass the Praxis or
- Possess an undergraduate major or graduate degree in the content or
- Complete 30 credits in the world language with 12 credits at the junior/senior level or
- Hold National Board Certification

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