

In our Advanced
Placement German
Program we read
and discuss German
Literature and selected short stories from
authentic sources
and Denk Mal! We

practice for the AP Exam through interactive discussions, listening activities, role plays and dialogues. Each student is exposed to cultural websites and authentic materials to keep abreast of current news and trends in the German-speaking world.



### **Seal of Biliteracy**

Washington Township is a pilot district for the Seal of Blliteracy where students with a passing score on the national English exam as well as who score at an intermediate mid on a national target language exam in their Junior/Senior year will receive a certificate and a notation on their transcript that they are biliterate in English and the target language. The purpose of the Seal is to:

- Encourage students to become communicatively proficient in multiple languages.
- Encourage students to acquire 21st century skills which will increase global competence and be beneficial in the global labor market.
- Recognize equally the knowledge base of both English speakers learning a world language as well as English language learners studying English or other world languages.
- Certify attainment of biliteracy skills using nationally recognized assessment frameworks valid in NJ and beyond.
- Assist universities in recognizing applicants
  with language skills and granting credit as well
  as strengthen intergroup relationships and
  honor the multiple cultures and languages in
  our diverse state.

# German

Welcome to our exciting four-year World Language program!

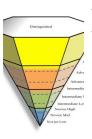


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# **Curriculum Design**

The World Language Department at Washington Township High School is extremely proud of its German curriculum. We have a four year program designed to take students along the ACTFL



ACTFL Guidelines proficiency guidelines continuum from Novice levels to Intermediate High in speaking, reading, listening and writing. Each step along the way we incorporate vocabulary building, pronunciation, grammar, authentic readings, conversations/dialogues and culture. The goal is for students to communicate with each other, the teacher and any man-speaking people met

German-speaking people met outside of the classroom. The classroom lessons are designed so that students interact with each other in as an authentic manner as possible utilizing resources from the target country as well as technology.

#### Why take a foreign language?

There are many advantages to learning a foreign language:

#### **Global competence!**

- Students have an increased global awareness and understanding in a world where nations and peoples are increasingly interdependent to supply goods and services.
- Studies show that people who have learned a second language have greater cognitive development and better problem solving and reasoning skills.
- The World Language Common
   Core standards are closely
   aligned with the English Language Arts standards—students
   show increased vocabulary and
   language skills in English and an
   overall improvement in literacy.
- Check out: http://www.ncssfl.org/papersBenefitsSec-ondLanguageStudyNEA.pdf



In each level of German you will find a wide range of clearly organized and easy-to-use materials to complement the textbook. The vocabulary is relevant and the students can apply it to their daily lives.

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## <u>List of Offered</u> Spanish Courses

- German Beginning I
- German Beginning II
- Intermediate German I
- Intermediate German II
- Advanced German
- AP German Language & Culture

#### We also offer:

- Dual credit and AP credit
- Seal of Biliteracy
- Non-school sponsored trips to German-speaking countries
- German Honor Society/Club