



# 2024 World Language Showcase



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University of Delaware  
Newark, DE  
Saturday, March 16th, 2024  
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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# WHAT IS THE DECTFL WORLD LANGUAGE SHOWCASE?

An opportunity for students to engage in competitive challenges to display their language proficiency skills and cultural knowledge, as well as participate with peers in immersive authentic activities.

WHY showcase world languages?

- To spotlight Delaware secondary students' communicative and intercultural competencies that are aligned with state, national and international standards.
- To augment classroom knowledge using creativity and enthusiasm to demonstrate an understanding of the importance of language learning as a critical 21<sup>st</sup> century college and workplace skill.

## LOCATION



### SHOWCASE COMPETITION LOCATION

University of Delaware

[Gore Hall](#)

[114 The Green, Newark, DE 19716](#)



### SHOWCASE AWARD CEREMONY

University of Delaware

[Purnell Hall](#)

[17 West Main Street, Newark, DE 19716](#)

## TIMES

Registration starts at **8:00 AM**. Competitions begin at **8:30 AM**. The Awards & Recognition Ceremony commences at **1:30 PM** in Purnell Hall. The day will end approximately at **2:00 PM**.

## LUNCH

A boxed lunch and bottled water will be provided by the University of Delaware catering services.

## STUDENT DROP-OFF

Buses and cars may drop off their student participants at the [Gore Center Entrance](#).

**Note:** Only students will be on campus for the day's events until the Awards & Recognition Ceremony.

## PARKING FOR BUSES, CAR RIDERS, AND GUESTS

Car drivers and guests of student participants have two paid parking options:

- [Trabant University Center Garage](#) - \$6 Max All-Day Rate
- [City of Newark Municipal Parking Lot #1](#) - \$2 per hour

Note: Parking will not be validated or reimbursed.

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

### PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

- Delaware secondary students enrolled in credit-bearing French, Italian, or Spanish world language courses (Levels 1 through Advanced Placement) during THIS current academic year.
- Teachers accompanying their student participants/cohort (must be willing to serve as a facilitator or judge of showcase events)

Students will participate in showcase events according to their proficiency level: Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. For the purposes of this showcase only, proficiency levels are determined as follows:

- Novice: Level 1 and Level 2 world language learners
- Intermediate: Level 3 and Level 4 world language learners
- Advanced: Level 5, AP or higher world language learners

### TEAM GUIDELINES

- Students should plan to compete in each team event and at least one event individually.
- Group events require teams of 3. Therefore, students must register in multiples of 3 at the same level to compete in group events. One member of each team must also register to participate in the Cultural Presentation individual event.
- A minimum of **three (3)** and a maximum of **fifteen (15)** students may participate per accompanying World Language teacher. Each teacher may have a maximum of six (6) students per proficiency level (i.e., six (6) novice, six (6) intermediate and three (3) advanced).
- If a teacher only has two students participating, a building colleague's student may be included within his/her cohort for the showcase.
- In the event that a student is unable to participate on the Showcase date, a suitable substitute of the same proficiency level may replace the student.

### ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Students must be in good standing according to local school and district policies. World Language teachers must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be a current member of DECTFL. Teachers may join the association at [www.dectfl.org](http://www.dectfl.org).
- Serve as a facilitator, judge or cultural event monitor throughout the showcase.

World Language teachers will receive an orientation session to be facilitators and judges prior to the showcase.

## CULTURAL LEARNING EVENTS—LEARN SOMETHING NEW

Students will participate in a variety of different hands-on learning opportunities between competitions. They are invited to take part in the events associated with the language they are studying, but they may also participate in any of the other languages offered. The instruction of each cultural learning event will be in the target language of the particular culture.

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION CEREMONY: Purnell Hall

Families are welcome to attend the awards and recognition ceremony starting at **1:30 PM**.

## REGISTRATION

Teachers are responsible for appropriately registering students in their correct proficiency level. Enrollment and course level may be verified by the Delaware Department of Education and improperly enrolled students may be eliminated from the Showcase.

Teachers must complete [this online registration form](#) to sign-up their team members for individual and team competitions. The deadline to do this is **Friday, February 16th, 2024**. More information will follow after registration.

## PAYMENT

Each student and each teacher attending must pay **\$10.00** each to participate.

Once again, we ask that all payments are settled by **Friday, February 16th, 2024**.

To pay by **credit card**: [follow this link](#)

To pay with a **purchase order**: follow these steps:

- a. Email DECTFL Treasurer, Christopher Wendel ([chris.a.wendel@gmail.com](mailto:chris.a.wendel@gmail.com)), with the total number of teachers and students that are participating.
- b. Teachers' membership status will be verified to be current and in good standing.
- c. Receive a quote within 2-4 business days.
- d. Accept the quote.
- e. Receive the final invoice within 2-4 business days.
- f. Make payment through the State Vendor System.

## QUESTIONS

Contact DECTFL at [dectfl@gmail.com](mailto:dectfl@gmail.com).

## COMPETITIVE SHOWCASE EVENTS

COMPETITION	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Language of Proficiency Challenge	Individual	Using an electronic device, students engage in a fast-paced challenge to identify written English samples of student language production to demonstrate their understanding of language of proficiency levels. <b>Students must bring a Wi-Fi-enabled device to participate in this challenge.</b>
Interpretive ESCAPE ROOM	Team	Each ESCAPE ROOM Team will use interpretive reading and listening language skills to communicate with each other and solve problems presented to them. The first team to complete all tasks correctly will be the winner. <b>Students must bring a Wi-Fi-enabled device to participate in this challenge.</b>
Culture Presentation (Presentational Speaking Challenge)	Individual (Max 1 student per trio team of students!)	Students will present information on a topic of their own interest (e.g., art, music, dance, architecture, etc.) orally on a cultural product, practice or perspective in the target language. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The presentation must last between <b>2- 3 minutes</b></li> <li>The prepared slideshow may contain no more than <b>10 slides</b> with <b>no words</b> other than title and student name.</li> <li>Students may choose to use a notecard with bullet points and a maximum of 20 words while they present; use of notecards will be taken into account during scoring.</li> <li>After the presentation, evaluators will engage the student in interpersonal communication with <b>2-5 questions</b> depending on proficiency level, based on the content of their presentations and according to the student's identified proficiency level. Scoring will be based on this <a href="#">RUBRIC</a>.</li> </ul> <b>Slides must be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:dectfl@gmail.com">dectfl@gmail.com</a> by midnight on March 1st, 2024 with subject line CULTURE PRESENTATION - '24 WL SHOWCASE.</b>
Team Storytelling	Team	Each Storytelling Team will be given a randomly selected series of images and will create a story about them. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The team will have <b>10 minutes</b> to plan their story.</li> <li>They may jot down their ideas and decide which team member will tell which section of the story.</li> <li>Each team member must address some part of the complete story.</li> <li>No dictionaries or translation devices may be used.</li> <li>The team will then have <b>3-5 minutes</b> to record their story.</li> <li>Scoring will be based on this <a href="#">RUBRIC</a>. <b>No outside use of technology will be permitted during the competition.</b></li> </ul>
Cultural Photo Trivia	Individual	Using an electronic interface, students will engage in a fast-paced challenge of recognizing 50 notable cultural products such as historical places, historical figures or art work. <b>Students must bring a Wi-Fi-enabled device to participate in this challenge.</b>



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**Students with Intermediate-Mid or higher proficiency in a World Language in addition to English are eligible.**

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