Date:       June 17, 2019
To:         Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads
Route To:   World Languages Supervisors and Bilingual/ESL Supervisors
From:       Linda P. Eno, Ed.D.
            Assistant Commissioner
            Division of Academics & Performance
            Carolyn J. Marano
            Assistant Commissioner
            Division of Student Services
Deadline:   July 9, 2019 – ESL/Bilingual
            August 12, 2019 – World Languages and Dual Language

Model ESL/Bilingual, World Languages and Dual Languages Program Application Information

The New Jersey Department of Education is accepting applications for the Model ESL/Bilingual, World Languages, and Dual Languages Program for the 2020-2022 cohort. Districts or schools that are designated as model program sites will serve as resource centers for other districts and will enable educators to witness exemplary second language acquisition practices. To determine finalists, applications will be reviewed by a committee of Model ESL/Bilingual, World Languages, and Dual Languages Program supervisors and other experts in the field. Districts or school programs that have been selected as finalists will receive an on-site visit. Recognition and awards will be presented at a special ceremony in May 2020.

Districts or schools wishing to be designated as model programs should complete an application and submit supporting documentation by the deadlines on the applications. Districts or schools that may not feel qualified to apply for model program status at this time are strongly encouraged to use the respective applications as self-assessment tools. Those that have been previously designated as model programs are encouraged to reapply and to highlight, in their applications, how they have expanded learning opportunities for students.

The application for Bilingual/ESL programs is now available. Bilingual and/or ESL applications should be submitted by July 9, 2019 to ell@doe.nj.gov. For questions related to the Bilingual/ESL model program initiative, please contact Lori Ramella at (609) 376-9080 or ell@doe.nj.gov.

The application for World Languages model programs is now available. Please submit World Languages applications by August 12, 2019 to worldlang@doe.nj.gov. For questions about the World Languages model program initiative, please contact Maria Romero at (609) 376-3578 or worldlang@doe.nj.gov.

The application for Dual Language Immersion model Programs is now available. Please submit Dual Language applications by August 12, 2019 to ell@doe.nj.gov and mailto:worldlang@doe.nj.gov. For questions about the Dual Language model program initiative, please contact Lori Ramella at (609) 376-9080 or ell@doe.nj.gov.

c: Members, State Board of Education
    Lamont O. Repollet, Ed.D., Commissioner
    NJDOE Staff
    Statewide Parent Advocacy Network
    Garden State Coalition of Schools
    NJ LEE Group