

# K-12 World Language Department

## SY22 Draft

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### VISION:

The Brookline K-12 World Language Program provides all students with opportunities to transform their lives. Our students better understand each other and themselves because they are proficient in a world language. Our students are inspired and prepared to use their language skills and cultural understanding to become more engaged local and global citizens.

### MISSION:

The mission of the Brookline K-12 World Language Program is to inspire students to learn about the world's languages and cultures and to promote equity through multicultural understanding. World Language teachers develop thematic units and select appropriate cultural resources with performance goals in mind. They facilitate access to materials and lessons to enhance comprehension and provide opportunities for purposeful communication. Educators build positive relationships with and among students so that they learn about their peers, their community, and the world.

### GOALS:

#### UNDERSTANDING PERSPECTIVES:

Cultural competency is crucial to linguistic proficiency as well as to understanding oneself and others. Therefore, students will explore and celebrate the perspectives and practices of multiple cultures including their own. They will apply their cultural understandings to reinforce and expand their knowledge in other academic subjects.



#### LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT:

Students will understand and then produce spoken and written language in order to interact with others. Over time, language will increase in complexity and students will be able to interact in a wider range of situations.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

Students will become agents of change who are prepared to serve and lead in their local and global communities. They will be empowered to promote equity and cross-cultural understanding in an increasingly complex world.