

High School Foreign Language Program

The Foreign Language Program in Prince George's County Public Schools offers 7 languages and American Sign Language. (At one point, Swahili was offered at one school and Chinese was offered at another.) The current programs focus on the National Standards Goals: Communication, Culture, Connections, Comparisons, and Communities. In the elementary Spanish and French Immersion, MSDE Content Standards are being integrated and at the high school level a focus includes High School Assessment and SAT Strategies. Some high schools have "Exchange Programs," AP, and IB (International Baccalaureate). The French Immersion program is nationally recognized.

Foreign Language Programs in PGCPS

French
Spanish
Japanese
Latin
German
Italian
Russian
American Sign Language (ASL)

Spanish 1 - 7

- All High Schools "Hola"
- Native Speakers Courses levels 2, 3, and 4 in 6 schools

Latin 1 - 6

- 11 High Schools "Salve"

Japanese 1 - 5

- 8 High Schools "Konnichi wa"
- Student Exchange Program at 6 high schools with schools in Japan

Italian 1 - 4

- 7 High Schools "Ciao"

Russian 1 - 5

- 3 High Schools "Privyet"

German 1 - 5

- 8 High Schools "Guten Tag"
- German Exchange Program at two high schools

American Sign Language 1 - 4

- 4 High Schools

French 1 - 7

- All High Schools "Bonjour"

French Immersion (Magnet)

K-8 Dedicated School (2)
(Grades 9-12 at 1 High School)

Features

- Intense academic program
- Bilingualism
- Global Awareness
- AP/IB offering
- Exchanges in Canada and France

Nationally Recognized Programs



French Immersion K-12
Russian Program
Japanese Program

Technology

- Multimedia Lang. Labs at 5 Schools
- Training of FL teachers and students

Professional Development

- Courses: Certification, Praxis, Technology, Ongoing FL wkshops...

Other Features

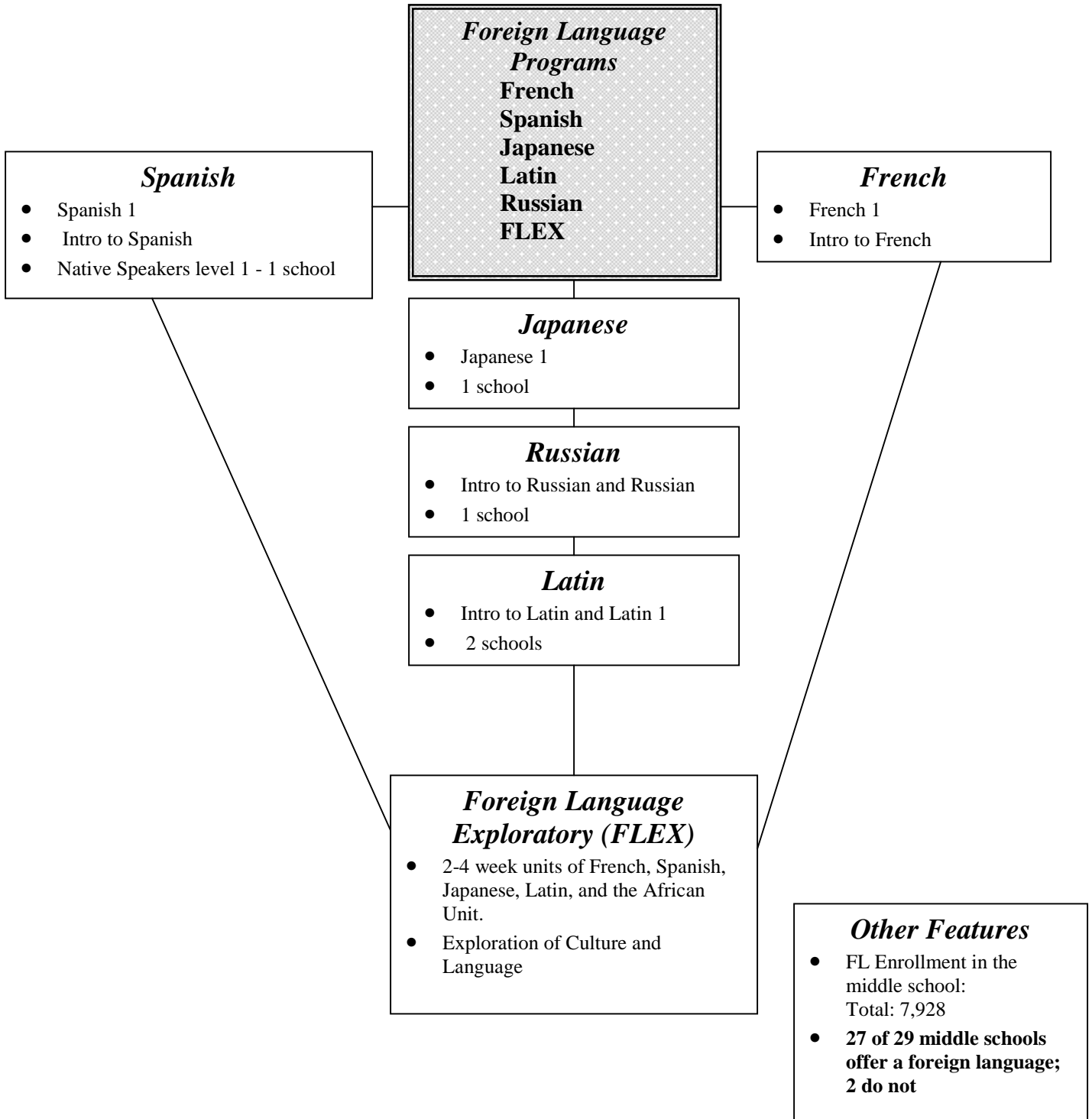
- National Model Programs
- Advanced Placement Options in most schools
- IB in 4 Schools
- Travel Study Programs
- National Foreign Language Standards Aligned w/ curriculum
- High School Enrollment only:
Total: 21,420

Spanish: 15,275	Italian: 397
French: 4,365	German: 338
Japanese: 345	Russian: 94
Latin: 606	

Assessment and Testing

- Benchmark Assessments
- Formalized end-of-year assessment for level 1
- Assessment and rubrics workshops for teachers
- Diagnostic tests available for French and Spanish levels 1-3
- Level 1 and 2 curriculum documents have milestones/standards for each quarter
- Online assessment for levels 1-3 is being developed

Middle School Foreign Language Program



Elementary Foreign Language Programs

