

## Language RBERN

The NYS Statewide Language Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network (NYS Language RBERN) at New York University provides technical assistance and professional development that supports and strengthens the teaching and learning of English and native language acquisition of Multilingual Learners/English Language Learners (MLLs/ELLs) and world language students. As part of the NYSED Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network, our focus is to promote high academic achievement for language learners of various languages and cultural backgrounds.

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(Regional Bilingual Education  
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## Mission

The Mission of the NYS Language Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network (NYS Language RBERN) is to provide support services and professional development to the New York State educational community to improve instructional practices and educational outcomes of Multilingual Learners/English Language Learners (MLLs/ELLs) and world language students.

## Vision

The Vision of the Language RBE-RN is to build the capacity of the educational community to enable Multilingual Learners/English Language Learners (MLLs/ELLs) and world language students to reach their fullest potential, become lifelong learners, and successfully contribute to an ever-changing global society. The work for the NYS Language RBERN is guided by the New York State Education Department Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages (NYSED OBEWL).

## What We Do

The NYS Statewide Language RBERN supports and strengthens districts and schools in their program implementation and delivery of services for MLLs/ELLs and their language (bilingual/dual language, world language, and heritage language) programs across the State of New York.

The NYS Language RBERN assists educational communities statewide to improve instructional practices and educational outcomes of MLLs/ELLs and world language students by:

- building capacity of schools and districts to implement learning standards-based instruction and assessments for MLLs/ELLs
- sharing information related to bilingual education, dual language, English as a new language, and world language programs
- serving as a clearinghouse and repository for instructional and reference materials to be used for MLLs/ELLs and world language students
- developing and disseminating content-area glossaries, resource manuals, and cultural resources in English and in the major languages spoken by MLLs/ELLs & world language students statewide

## What We Do

- supporting the development of statewide activities in collaboration with institutions of higher education, community-based organizations, regional RBERNs, professional organizations, and OBEWL
- collaborating with New York State Education Department networks in providing technical assistance to close the achievement gap for low performing districts and schools
- collaborating with the other Regional RBERNs to assist New York State schools to develop state and federal grants, secure translation services, and promote awareness of the native languages and cultures of NYS MLLs/ELLs and world language students
- working with parent groups and community-based organizations to promote parent engagement and support learning initiatives in educating MLLs/ELLs
- maintaining NYS ELL/MLL Hotline responding to inquiries from parents and others regarding rights and services for ELLs/MLLs
- coaching school leaders on the effective planning and implementation of programs for ELLs and world language students