



The Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages
of the New York State Education Department



presents:

*Linguistic Diversity in the Heritage Classroom:
Educational Practices That Celebrate Home Languages*

Presenter: María Quintanilla

Date & Time: Wednesday, April 24th, 2024, 4:00-5:00 pm

1 hour of CTLE credit offered

The Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages (OBEWL) of the New York State Education Department (NYSED) presents this next webinar in its 2024 Professional Learning Series: **Linguistic Diversity in the Heritage Classroom: Educational Practices That Celebrate Home Languages**. This webinar is offered free of charge for world language administrators and leaders working and studying in New York State educational institutions.



Webinar description: Heritage Language Learners' linguistic, social, and emotional learning path is unique to each learner. A Heritage Language classroom affirms their identities, multilingualism, and cultural practices. In this webinar, the presenter will explore approaches for centering language varieties, cultures, and histories of our heritage language-speaking learners, and explore strategies relevant to classrooms with a mix of Heritage and non-Heritage language learners. She will present effective teaching strategies, proven in the classroom, for empowering identity, linguistic plurality, and cultural perspectives.

Registration process: All participants are encouraged to pre-register for this event. Pre-registration will close on Tuesday, April 23, 2024; there will be no same-day registrations. Once the registrant's email address has been verified as being from a New York State school, college, or university, an email confirming their registration will be sent. Twenty-four hours prior to the event, all registered individuals will receive login instructions with the link to join the webinar. **Only pre-registered attendees will be eligible for a certificate documenting attendance and/or CTLE hours.**

Link to registration form: <https://wlnys.wufoo.com/forms/p12mtdlt1cj3y41/>

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Webinar presenter:

María Quintanilla has been successfully teaching all levels of Spanish, including the AP Spanish Language and Literature courses to Native, Heritage, and non- Spanish Speaking students for sixteen years at the NYC Department of Education. She has worked extensively developing A.P. Spanish Language and Culture curriculum and writing day-to-day lesson plans for the AP for ALL initiative. She is a host and facilitator of citywide Lab Classrooms and has worked with the Division of Multilingual Learners, developing curriculum and lesson plans for Heritage Speakers of Spanish to be utilized by NYC teachers. She is heavily involved in the implementation of the New York State Seal of Biliteracy for graduating seniors, College Board Teacher mentor, Model Teacher supporting ECT, and actively promulgates the new NYS standards for World Languages. Ms. Quintanilla is a firm believer in a student-centered classroom and eliciting the unique personal and linguistic qualities of each student in order to create a comfortable and safe learning environment. She is an etymology and linguistics enthusiast.

