



The Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages  
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## **Voices Across Time: Using AI to Amplify Presentational and Interpersonal Communication in Classical Language Classrooms**

Presenter: Maureen Lamb

*Webinar date & time: Tuesday, April 14th, 2026, 4:00-5:00 pm via Zoom*

The Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages (OBEWL) of the New York State Education Department (NYSED) presents this next webinar in the 2026 Professional Learning Series: **Voices Across Time: Using AI to Amplify Presentational and Interpersonal Communication in Classical Language Classrooms**. This webinar is offered free of charge for world language educators and administrators working and studying in New York State educational institutions. 1 hour of CTLE credit is offered.

Webinar description: How can artificial intelligence help Latin and Ancient Greek students not just translate, but communicate meaningfully? In this webinar, the presenter will demonstrate how AI tools can support and enhance Presentational and Interpersonal Communication aligned to the NYS Learning Standards for Classical Languages. Participants will explore classroom-tested strategies using AI to help learners present ideas to describe, narrate, explain, and persuade, while also exchanging information, negotiating meaning, and expressing opinions in authentic communicative tasks. These approaches connect directly to performance indicators such as creating simple sentences, strings of sentences, and connected paragraphs. Practical classroom models include AI-powered dialogues, interactive storytelling, persona-based roleplay, cultural comparisons, and scaffolded interpretive-to-interpersonal tasks using authentic texts. Educators will leave with adaptable templates, AI-prompting strategies, and clear alignment to NYSED standards and themes for Classical Languages. **The concepts and techniques presented can be adapted and applied by teachers of modern languages as well.**



Registration process: All participants are encouraged to pre-register for this event. Pre-registration will close on Friday, April 10, 2026; 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 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/zorzje0z9fqcg/>

Webinar presenter: **Maureen Gassert Lamb** is the Language Department Chair, AI Task Force Chair, and Latin educator at Miss Porter's School in Farmington, Connecticut, where she teaches with a focus on student-centered learning, AI literacy, and culturally reflective curriculum design. She is an ISTE/ASCD AI in Education Luminary, Google Teacher of the Month, and Vice Chair of the ACTFL AI SIG. Maureen specializes in designing AI-resilient communicative tasks, integrating technology to enhance communication. She has presented nationally for ACTFL, IALLT, NECTFL, CT COLT, and the Classical Association of New England, and authored articles for Independent School Magazine and The Language Educator. She develops AI-powered custom chatbots like the Perpetua Bot and lesson-specific practice companions to support accessibility, creativity, and language acquisition for all learners.



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