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Upcoming Events

CCSS! Common Core State Standards This has been a series of FREE Workshops to help you connect the Common Core State Standards to your World Languages Teaching! See pg. 4 in this issue of the FLAGS Pole for more information. The FINAL opportunity to take part in this course will be on April 24 at Elk Grove HS.

Student Awards Breakfast! Saturday, May 3, 2014; for more information, see pg. 3 in this issue of the FLAGS Pole!



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REMINDER!

FLAGS is hosting the Annual CLTA Conference in March, 2015! ***Big Ideas Start Here!***

Mark your Calendars: March 5-8, 2015. Double Tree, Sacramento To be part of our fantastic event, contact our Events Chair, Inga Templeton at vicepresident@flagsteacher.com



The President's Perch: A Letter from Nicole

Happy Spring in 2014!

Hello FLAGS Members and Colleagues!

Welcome to 2014 and to spring. Spring is often used as a symbol of renewal and rejuvenation and FLAGS, CLTA and the Capital World Language have several upcoming opportunities for you to rejuvenate with colleagues and impact your work with students in a positive way.

FLAGS will host the Annual Student Awards breakfast on May 3. More information about this popular FLAGS tradition will be on the FLAGS web site. Space is limited so don't miss out on this wonderful and FREE opportunity to recognize a deserving student (you may choose the title of the award) and to meet other wonderful students, teachers and the families of the students.

The Capital World Language Project (CapWLP) is offering a series of after-school programs throughout the region designed to help local language teachers and others understand how world language programs fit into the Common Core State Standards. Schools will be receiving registration information for "Unpacking the Common Core State Standards for World Language Teachers" and more information, including all of the dates and locations will also be on the FLAGS Web site.

The California World Language Project and the California Language Teachers Association will once again host the Santa Barbara Summer Seminar for World Language Teachers. This year marks the 25th summer seminar, which takes place July 18-23 at UC Santa Barbara. Strands include Common Core State Standards, Spanish immersion, French immersion, Japanese immersion, technology, and more. Registration information is forthcoming at http://www.cwlp.stanford.edu and will also be distributed to schools and through the FLAGS web site.

We hope that as 2013-2014 winds to a close, you find yourself as excited as we are about the many opportunities to renew our practice, interact with our colleagues, and support student achievement in our classes and beyond.

Nicole Naditz president@flagsteacher.com or nnaditz@gmail.com



Nicole & Christine in Action at the FLAGS Winter Workshop in Jan., 2014



Winter Workshop 2014 Participants in Action!







IT'S TIME FOR ... BREAKFAST!!!

(Read on to learn more about the 2014 Annual Student Awards Breakfast!)

What teacher doesn't enjoy Saturday?! Finally, time to do the things we like to do. The things we don't have time for Monday through Friday.

Maybe read a book, go ice skating or just having fun with family.

Even with our busy schedules, though, there are certain special occasions that are integral to our teaching - that are, in fact, illustrative of WHY we teach! One of these occasions is the opportunity to honor that one amazing student in your class. The one that shows up everyday, makes you smile, and makes you being a teacher worth while.

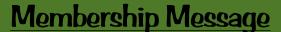
FLAGS is hosting our 17th Annual Student Awards Breakfast. THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR THE STUDENT OF YOUR CHOICE. You will invited to nominate one of your students, (who may come with two guests). All you have to do is email your nomination to the awards chair Inga Templeton, ingatempleton@sbcglobal.net, and join us on Saturday, May 3, 2014 to honor your special student and enjoy a complimentary breakfast.

The FLAGS Annual Student Awards Breakfast will take place at the Penny's in Orangevale, CA, (8841 Greenback Ln., Orangevale, CA 95662), on Saturday May 3rd from 8:30am to 10am.

Students will receive an award of your choice and a gift card. Space is limited! Pon't miss out on this wonderful event to show your appreciation to your students.

For more information and a downloadable invitation go to our FLAGS website, http://www.flagsteacher.com/events.html





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World Languages & CCCC!

When did you last stop to consider the benefits to you as a member of FLAGS?

- ♦ You get reduced rates for FLAGS workshops.
- You can nominate colleagues for awards recognizing them for their outstanding teaching.
- ★ You can honor a student at the annual Student Awards Breakfast for FREE.
- → You can apply for small grants to fund special Advocacy/outreach events with your students.
- You can join us at the FREE fall member reception.
- Finally, you get instant updates on matters of importance to the profession.

It's not too late to join. Sign-up with a friend for one low price! To renew or join FLAGS, print and send in the membership form on page 5 of this newsletter or visit http://www.flagsteacher.com/membership.html. To renew or join CLTA, visit http://www.tfaforms.com/293845.

Sincerely, Evelyn

YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO REGISTER FOR CCSS!

FLAGS is pleased to let you know of one last unique workshop opportunity for world language and ELD teachers to explore the Common Core State Standards as they relate to second language classrooms.

Capital World Language Project (CapWLP) has been offering after-school programs around the Greater Sacramento Region, free of charge to teachers, throughout the spring of 2014. While most of the workshops have already wrapped up, there is one FINAL opportunity to participate in this course is on April 24 at Elk Grove HS.

To register, or for more information, please follow the links below this section to access the CSMP website. If you have not attended a CapWLP program in the past year, you will be prompted to create a new account (this is a new website) and then you will be able to register. If you have questions, contact information is available on the CSMP website.

April 24 (Elk Grove High School): http://csmp.ucop.edu/home/ display program details/768779

Please be sure to register As Soon As Possible to assist CapWLP with numbers for copies and food. We hope to see many of you at this last workshop!

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(A regional affiliate of the California Language Teachers Association) Membership Application or Renewal

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