

APPENDIX C

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World Language Trends In Connecticut

Elementary School

In 1993, only about 30 districts offered ongoing and systematic programs of instruction in world languages before Grade 7, six of which started before Grade 4; in 1995, 60 districts offered a program before Grade 7, with nine districts starting before Grade 4; in 1997 there were 70 programs before Grade 7, including 21 starting before Grade 4.

High School

Between 1991 and 1997, there was a 15.9 percent increase in world language enrollment in Connecticut public high schools; this outpaced the general increase in high school enrollment by 4.3 percent. Most of the increase was accounted for by a 31.1 percent increase in high school Spanish enrollment.

Enrollment in High School by Language

Language	1991	1993	1995	1997
Spanish	37,963	43,044	47,043	49,770
French	17,281	16,653	15,677	15,581
Latin	4,764	4,676	4,926	5,517
Italian	2,898	3,119	2,482	2,932
German	1,290	1,371	1,085	1,296
Russian	318	242	231	166
Portuguese	193	202	188	25
Chinese	72	37	21	18
Japanese	67	49	47	112
Polish	36	86	76	75
Other	370	53	226	141
Total	<u>65,252</u>	<u>69,532</u>	<u>72,002</u>	<u>75,633</u>

Connecticut Education Reference Groups (ERGs)¹

Districts Starting Ongoing and Systematic World Language Programs (K-8)

NOTE: The data used in this ERG summary chart are based on Connecticut Strategic School Profile Data for 1997-98 and information reported to the Connecticut Department of Education. The chart was revised May 15, 1998. The number in parentheses after the district name indicates the grade in which the world language program begins.

ERG - A

Avon (7)	New Canaan (6)	Simsbury (4)	Wilton (6)
Darien (6)	Redding (6)	Weston (3)	Woodbridge (2)
Easton (7)	Ridgefield (6)	Westport (5)	Region 9 (9-12)

ERG - B

Bethel (7)	Glastonbury (K* / 1)	Marlborough (4)	S. Windsor (7)
Brookfield (7)	Granby (7)	Monroe (8)	Trumbull (6)
Cheshire (8)	Greenwich (6)	N. Fairfield (6)	W. Hartford (6)
Fairfield (4)	Guilford (7)	Newtown (P)	Region 5 (7)
Farmington (5)	Madison (6)	Orange (1)	

ERG - C

Andover (3)	Essex (see Reg. 4)	Salisbury (8)	Region 7 (7)
Barkhamsted (P)	Hebron (4)	Sherman (6)	Region 8 (7)
Bethany (4)	Ledyard (7)	Somers (6)	Region 10 (4)
Bolton (2)	Litchfield (6)	Suffield (2)	Region 13 (7)
Bozrah (N.O.)	Mansfield (2)	Westbrook (3)	Region 14 (7)
Canton (7)	New Hartford (5)	Willington (6)	Region 15 (7)
Cornwall (7)	Oxford (7)	Woodstock (7)	Region 17 (3)
Deep River (N.O.)	Pomfret (5)	Region 4 (8)	Region 18 (7)
East Granby (4)	Preston (7)	Region 6 (7)	Region 19 (9-12)
Ellington (7)	Salem (6)		

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- +** Different elementary schools begin world languages at different grade levels (4 - 7).

¹ Education Reference Groups (ERGs) is a classification system in which districts that have public school students with similar socioeconomic status and need are grouped together. The 1996 ERG classifications above represent seven variables (income, education, occupation, poverty, family structure, home language and district enrollment), all based on families with children attending public school. Source: Connecticut State Department of Education Division of Teaching and Learning *Research Bulletin*, November 1996, No. 1.

ERG - D

Berlin (7)	East Lyme (6)	North Haven (6)	Tolland (7)
Branford (7)	Hamden (7)	Old Saybrook (6)	Watertown (7)
Clinton (7)	Newington (6)	Rocky Hill (7)	Wethersfield (7)
Colchester (7)	New Milford (P)	Shelton (8)	Windsor (6)
Columbia (K)	North Branford (7)	Southington (7)	Region 12 (K)
East Hampton (7)			

ERG - E

Ashford (7)	Cromwell (7)	Lebanon (8)	Sharon (2)
Brooklyn (5)	Eastford (N.O.)	Lisbon (6)	Union (N.O.)
Canaan (7)	East Haddam (8)	Norfolk (K)	Region 1 (9-12)
Canterbury (7)	Franklin (6)	N. Stonington (N.O.)	Region 11 (7)
Chester (N.O.)	Hampton (Reg. 11)	Portland (6)	Region 16 (7)
Colebrook (Reg. 7)	Hartland (N.O.)	Scotland (Reg. 11)	Woodstock Academy (9-12)
Coventry (7)	Kent (2)		

ERG - F

Bloomfield (7)	Milford (6)	Stonington (5)	Wallingford (6)
Enfield (7)	Montville (6)	Stratford (7)	Waterford (K)
Groton (6)	Naugatuck (6)	Torrington (7)	Windsor Locks (K)
Manchester (2* / 8)	Seymour (7)	Vernon (7)	Wolcott (7)

ERG - G

Chaplin (Reg. 11)	North Canaan (6)	Sprague (5)	Thompson (N.O.)
East Haven (6)	Plainfield (6)	Stafford (N.O.)	Voluntown (N.O.)
East Windsor (7)	Plainville (8)	Sterling (N.O.)	Winchester (N.O.)
Griswold (7)	Plymouth (N.O.)	Thomaston (N.O.)	Gilbert Academy (9-12)

ERG - H

Ansonia (N.O.)	East Hartford (K* / 7)	Norwalk (6)	Stamford (6)
Bristol (8)	Killingly (6)	Norwich (7)	West Haven (8)
Danbury (7)	Meriden (N.O.)	Putnam (7)	Norwich Free Academy (9-12)
Derby (8)	Middletown (7)		

ERG - I

Bridgeport (K* / +)	New Britain (N.O.)	New London (K* / 8)	Windham (K* / N.O.)
Hartford (N.O.)	New Haven (+)	Waterbury (K* / 6)	

Charter Schools: Jumoke Academy, Hartford (K); Village Academy, New Haven (6)

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