

SECOND LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

In 2002, the North Carolina State Board of Education passed a policy allowing for the demonstration of proficiency in a language other than English as determined by the Local Educational Agency (LEA) to count towards completion of college or university admission standards.

In keeping with those State Board recommendations and the requirements of the University of North Carolina Board of Governors, New Hanover County Board of Education allows the following options to meet the Minimum Course Requirement (MCR) for a language other than English:

- Complete two (2) units of the same second language in high school; or
- Provide documentation to reflect having been enrolled through the equivalent of ninth grade in a school in which the instruction was in a language or languages other than English. The student shall document such enrollment by providing an official transcript that has been translated to English. The principal or designee shall evaluate the transcript in order to determine that requirements have been met; or
- Achieve a minimum score of 3 on the Advanced Placement (AP) Language Exam for the student's native language, if that test is available. Presently, the following languages are offered through the College Board Advanced Placement Program: Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, and Spanish or
- Provide documentation that the student has demonstrated proficiency in a k – 8 immersion program.

CROSS REF: [Policy 7440 Student Promotion and Accountability](#)

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