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## KENTUCKY WORLD LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION

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Ni Hao! Bonjour! Konnichiwa! Hola! Guten Tag!

We are excited to inform you that February is National Discover World Languages month. A highlight of this month is “Languages and Legislators”, a new collaboration between the Kentucky World Language Association and Kentucky legislators. As an educator, you are well aware of the necessity of world languages in developing future community and world leaders.

On February 5th, 2008, teachers, administrators and students from around the state will be gathering in the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort, Kentucky. Students will be able to showcase their growing language skills through dance and song, as well as interact with their own State Representatives. “Languages and Legislators” will give your students insight into the legislative process and provide the chance to experience the workings of the Capital. This event is also an opportunity for world language educators and their administrators to present the current challenges, research and concerns facing today’s language programs and their development.

We would like to extend the invitation for your school to be involved in this exciting event. Please review the enclosed agenda. Whether or not your students are able to attend, this is an opportunity for your students to express their interest in world languages through writing letters to their legislators. Please explore the many resources for advocacy on the KWLA web site at [www.kwla-online.org](http://www.kwla-online.org)

Join us, together with your students, in being advocates for World Language education!

Sincerely,

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