



MEMORANDUM

TO: Race to the Top Executive Committee

FROM: Hilary Loeb, Race to the Top Co-Director

SUBJECT: Speak Your Language Campaign

DATE: August 31, 2017

Race to the Top partnered with [OneAmerica](#) to relaunch the Speak Your Language Campaign. OneAmerica is one of the leading immigrant and refugee advocacy organizations in Washington state and convenes the English Language Learner Workgroup for the Road Map Project. The Speak Your Language Campaign seeks to promote the cognitive, social, and professional benefits of multilingualism, while distributing information about state resources for dual language learners. The Campaign Launch took place at the Southside Commons on Thursday August, 24th 2017. The event celebrated the numerous victories for the World Language Credit, Seal of Biliteracy and the passing of the Dual Language bill.

Please visit <http://speakyourlanguage.org/> to access resources for families, students, educators and policy makers. By supporting the region's growing numbers of dual language learners, the Campaign website will be a sustainability strategy for closing opportunity gaps among students. Of particular interest to middle and high school students are the resources to support [World Language Competency Credits and the Seal of Biliteracy](#).
