Welcome back to school! We hope that everyone had a restful summer break. Keep an eye out for an email coming soon with a Google form asking for updated information. Last year, that information was used to send letters to your principals, guidance counselors, and even the Governor advocating for you and for French education in the state. This year we will continue to voice support for your programs and encourage all districts to prioritize language learning.

Arkansas Seal of Biliteracy is official!
Over the summer, the department of Education officially endorsed the seal, providing our students with the evidence of their language skills for future employers and college admissions offices. This year’s fall deadline is October 17th.

You’re invited! Please join us at this year’s AFLTA Fall conference October 4-5. AATF will be hosting our immersion session on the 4th as well as a movie screening that evening. To attend the pre-conference immersion workshop, select both a ticket for immersion and registration for the conference. Pre-conference immersion cannot be attended without registration to the conference.

Felicitations! AATF AR was proud to award Clementine Simpson with the Barbara P. Ransford Award for her study abroad trip this year to France and Spain. As part of the award, Clementine was given $500 to go toward her tuition for the Centre for Applied Linguistics in Besançon, France. Clementine is also a Seal of Biliteracy recipient and a member of the Spanish Honor’s Society at Fayetteville High School. The deadline for next year’s award will April 5th, 2019. For more information this award or others, visit the AATF AR website at www.arkansasfrench.org

Interested in hosting a local immersion session? Contact us at arkansasfrench@gmail.com