« Oui Work » : The French Heritage Language Fair
One day to prove that French is part of college and career readiness in NYC

Where? At the Cultural Services of the French Embassy to the USA (972 5th Avenue, NYC)
When? Tuesday March 21st from 2pm to 8:30pm

What?

For the first time since the program was founded 11 years ago, the French Embassy and the French Heritage Language Program are partnering to launch a unique festival showcasing the skills of French-speaking immigrants in NYC.

Each year, the International Organization for la Francophonie dedicates the month of March to the French language: "Oui Work" will provide career and college readiness mentoring in French to FHLP students who hail from Western Africa and Haiti, in pursuit of their own American dream. We are excited to take this opportunity to inaugurate the FHLP alumni network.

Afternoon (2pm-5pm): College and Career Readiness Workshops – for students

Students will be offered a set of free educational workshops, coordinated by Hélène Godec (public speaking coach and professor at Fordham University) and led by French-speaking professionals. The choices will range from a theater improvisation workshop on the theme of the workplace, to a mini speech contest – in French. All participants will then partake in a final Q&A with the workshop leaders and alumni of the program to gain insight on how French was instrumental in their careers.

Evening (6:30pm-8:30pm): Alumni Reception and Networking Event - open to all

Our first alumni reception will provide networking opportunities for all players in the field of language education in NYC. The NYC Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network (RBE-RN) will open festivities with a new state project that stands to be implemented in your school: the Seal of Biliteracy. Short presentations on the impact of French and bilingualism will follow, in presence of our institutional and educational partners (the UN, the Internationals Network for Public Schools, Fordham University, the French Alliance, the Lycée Français de New York and many more).

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