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Dear District Supervisors:

The 31st Annual Meeting and Professional Development Conference of the National Association of District Supervisors of Foreign Languages (NADSFL) will be held November 13-15, 2018 at the New Orleans Convention Center and adjacent Hilton New Orleans Riverside, in conjunction with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Annual Convention and World Languages Expo. It is critically important that world language supervisors and instructional specialists participate in this unique, annual forum to keep abreast of current research and initiatives in the field.

To emphasize this year's theme of "Jazzing It Up!" NADSFL members will engage in workshops facilitated by dynamic thought leaders and network with colleagues in supervisory roles at the division and state levels. From Tuesday afternoon November 13, through Thursday, November 15, attendees will delve into key policy and implementation issues impacting the field of world languages such as incorporating global competency and cultural communication into curricula using the new NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statements, and responding to the challenge of dual language immersion. Over two days of professional learning begins on Tuesday afternoon with a pre-conference workshop by Dr. Francis J. Troyan, assistant professor of World Language Education at The Ohio State University, acclaimed for his work on language teaching as a socially constructed process. Wednesday morning features a joint K-20 articulation panel with the National Council of State Supervisors for Language (NCSSFL). NADSFL meetings and professional learning sessions Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning will provide supervisors with abundant opportunities to explore a range of timely topics directly related to their work of program design, and supervision and their support of world language teachers and programs.

On Thursday afternoon, NADSFL will participate in ACTFL's Assembly of Delegates (AoD). State supervisors, leaders from state foreign language teachers' associations, and leading authorities from language-specific organizations will share information and strategies. AoD participants will:

- receive updates on state, regional, national, and international policies and programs;
- extend initiatives related to teacher recruitment and retention with a focus on diversity;
- learn how to better advocate for and support local language programs; and
- network with experts in the field of second language acquisition.

Our annual meeting affords many focused opportunities for NADSFL members to learn, discuss, and reach consensus on policies and implementation strategies affecting language learning and teaching in your district. I hope you will join us!

Cordially,

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Tentative Agenda for the 31st Annual NADSFL Meeting All sessions and meals are included in registration fee unless otherwise indicated	
Tuesday, November 13	1:00 – 4:00 PM Registration 1:00 - 4:00 PM Pre-Conference Joint NADSFL-NCSSFL Professional Development Workshop with Dr. Francis Troyan 4:30 - 5:30 PM New Member Meeting with Mentoring Chair 6:00 - 8:00 PM NADSFL Networking Dinner (on own) *
Wednesday, November 14	7:00 – 4:00 PM Registration 7:15 - 8:15 AM NADSFL-NCSSFL Breakfast 8:30 - 10:45 AM Joint NADSFL-NCSSFL K-20 Articulation Panel 11:00 - 11:45 AM Jazzing It Up! 12:00 - 1:15 PM Supervisors of the Year Luncheon 1:30 - 5:00 PM NADSFL Meeting and Professional Development Session Evening Reception
Thursday, November 15	7:30 - 8:15 AM ACTFL Assembly of Delegates (AoD) Breakfast 8:30 - 11:30 AM NADSFL Meeting and Professional Development Session including Installation of New Officers 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM ACTFL AoD Luncheon 1:00 - 4:00 PM ACTFL Assembly of Delegates Session 4:30 - 5:00 PM NADSFL Advisory Board Meeting Evening Reception
Friday, November 16	7:00 - 8:00 AM NADSFL-NCSSFL Breakfast

* Not included in registration fee.