

## The Morristown-Beard World Language Graduation Requirements

### Minimum Upper School Requirement:

In order to graduate, students must take three consecutive years of the same language in upper school. For example, most freshmen are placed in Introductory, Novice, Foundational or Building language. These students would thereby finish their third consecutive year in the same language as juniors. Although the minimum MBS language requirement will thus be fulfilled, most students with a college preparatory profile will pursue a 4th year of language study in their senior year, either by continuing in the same language, or by beginning a new language. Students may elect to study more than one language.

**Transfer Students** will be treated on a case by case basis according to the following general guidelines:

Incoming **sophomores** can elect to continue in the language previously studied, or to start a new language, typically at the introductory level. However, incoming sophomores should be aware that in order to complete the three-year consecutive requirement in the same language, no change of languages can occur thereafter.

Incoming **juniors** will be assessed and placed into the appropriate class in the language previously studied. They will then be required to complete as much of the three-year-consecutive requirement as feasible, inclusive of consecutive same-language coursework completed in their school of origin.

Incoming **seniors** who have not completed the equivalent of the MBS three year consecutive same-language requirement in their school of origin will be assessed and placed in the language previously studied. In all cases, transfer students will be required to complete as much of the MBS three year consecutive requirement (same language, upper school) as feasible.

Any student entering MBS with three consecutive years of upper-school, same language coursework (in whatever language) will be considered to have fulfilled the MBS graduation requirement.