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Statement from the BEU regarding K-8 World Language program:

In a meeting this afternoon between senior PSB leadership, teachers of Brookline's K-8 World Language program, and BEU leadership, the Deputy Supt of Teaching and Learning announced drastic changes to the program. Our understanding of these changes is that they will effectively eliminate the World Language program at the K-5 level for almost all schools, depriving many students of Brookline Public Schools the opportunity to learn a foreign language. The town's World Language program has been established and upheld by three successful override votes over many years—this move seems to fly in the face of the will of Brookline's voters.

We urge all Brookline community members and PSB educators to attend the next Brookline School Committee meeting, **Thursday, August 3** @ **6:00 PM on Zoom (link to register)**, to voice your support for a fully implemented K-8 World Language program.

Brookline Educators Union