

Year- Round Event

Second Language

This is a non-competitive event.

Purpose

To promote and increase the ability of men and women to be able to communicate basic information and also to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ in a second language and/or sign language.

Event Participation

1. Participation is open to all students and adults. This is not a convention event. Participants demonstrate these skills at a local level.
2. Participants may begin work at any time on this event.
3. Participants are allowed to advance one award level per year. The Bronze award must first be obtained before completion of the Silver award, and completion of both Bronze and Silver is necessary to be eligible to complete the Gold level award. The Bronze and Silver levels are preparation level awards. A participant may complete these awards by communicating the assigned tasks to any individual, not necessarily someone who does not speak English. The Gold level is an application level award. In order to be eligible for this award, the participant **MUST** complete the assigned tasks in communication with someone who does not speak English or uses sign language. The participant's name will be listed in the convention yearbook.
4. Multiple awards may be earned in a convention year. For example, a person may complete the Bronze level in both sign language and Spanish, or both French and German. The participant must be registered for this event before the convention registration deadline. **Group leaders are to electronically verify each participant of this event in the registration system.**

****Verification forms/lists DO NOT have to be mailed to the National Service Center.****

Event Rules and Guidelines

1. **BRONZE LEVEL** (Preparation Level) The participant is able to clearly communicate both section one and section two of the following to another person or persons, using a language other than their own or by using sign language. As stated above, this communication can be given to any individual, and this individual can be someone who speaks English.

SECTION ONE

Learn to say the following phrases fluently in another language by memorization of the phrases:

- Hello, my name is _____.
- Jesus loves you.
- What is your name?
- Do you need help?
- I am from _____.
- Are you hurt?
- Where is your home?
- I love you.
- Where is your father or mother?
- The Bible is the Word of God.

SECTION TWO

Learn to say the following scriptures in another language fluently by memorization of the verses:

- Genesis 1:1
- John 3:16
- John 14:6
- Acts 2:38
- Matthew 28:18-20
- Ecclesiastes 12:13
- 1 Timothy 3:15

2. **SILVER LEVEL** (Advanced Preparation Level) The participant is able to clearly communicate both section one and section two of the following to another person or persons, using a language other than their own or by using sign language. As stated above, this communication can be given to any individual, and this individual can be someone who speaks English.

SECTION ONE

Achieve the bronze level award during a previous convention year.

SECTION TWO

Learn to say the following scriptures in another language fluently by memorization of the verses for the purpose of teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ:

- Romans 3:23
- Romans 6:4-5
- Romans 10:9-10
- Hebrews 1:1-2
- Acts 17:30
- James 2:18-20
- Mark 16:15-16
- John 3:5
- Acts 22:16
- John 14:1-3
- Ephesians 4:4-6

3. **GOLD LEVEL** (Application Level) The participant is able to clearly communicate both section one and section two of the following to another person or persons who does not speak English, using a language other than their own or by using sign language. As stated above, this communication **MUST** be someone who does not speak English or who uses sign language and is an application level award.

SECTION ONE

Achieve the silver level award during a previous convention year.

SECTION TWO

Complete two of the following:

1. Participate in a mission trip by using second language and/or sign language skills. A log of this communication should be kept and approved by local congregation representative.
2. Sign or interpret at a local church service, church event, or Bible class at least six times in a period of one year. A log of completion should be kept and approved by local congregation representative.
3. Teach the gospel to someone using second language and/or sign language skills. A log of completion should be kept and approved by local congregation representative.
4. Teach a Bible story to children using second language and/or sign language skills at a VBS, Bible class, or in a mission field setting at least six times. A log of completion should be kept and approved by local congregation representative.

Completion Guidelines

1. A participant's progress shall be monitored by someone selected by the local church leadership as one demonstrating ability, experience, and expertise in the chosen language or sign language.
2. The local church leadership will evaluate and acknowledge when the participant has successfully completed the various awards. Log Sheets and Verification Forms to assist with record keeping can be found in a later section of this rulebook. Group leaders are to electronically verify each participant of this event in the registration system.

Awards

Qualified participants will be recognized at convention. Participant names will be listed in the convention yearbook.