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Dear World Language Chairpersons and Coordinators:

We at The American Association of Teachers of Italian, Long Island Chapter would like to invite you and your World Language teachers to join us in our **3rd Annual Conference**, which will take place on **Friday, March 4, 2022**. Our mission for the conference, and always, is to support the professional needs of the Italian World Language teachers on Long Island. We hope your team can join us for what promises to be a beneficial, informative, and exciting event – and our largest of the school year.

Each year, we are proud to offer a selection of workshops addressing the needs of educators of all levels of Italian on a variety of topics. We hope that some of your teachers may even consider offering their expertise/ the opportunity of becoming one of our esteemed presenters by responding to our “Call for Workshop Proposals,” attached.

We hope that your district will encourage your Italian teachers to take part in this Italian-specific professional development. If your district will be supporting their teachers by supplementing or covering the cost, you may request a W-9 by emailing us at the email address provided below.

Our Annual Conference is well-attended and provides local teachers with an occasion to obtain CTLE credit while networking with colleagues. We thank you for your support in sharing the attached flyer for the AATI-LI 3rd Annual Conference, as well as the attached “Call for Workshop Proposals” form, with your team.

We are also looking forward to our largest student event of the year, the annual **Gara di Poesia e Gara di Canto**, which will be held virtually. All current AATI-LI members already received via email information and details regarding student registration.

I greatly look forward to working together to actively ensure the success of the language programs in our community, and to ensure our educators are supported as they spread their love for the Italian Language and culture to their students.

Cordiali Saluti,

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About AATI, Long Island Chapter

OUR MISSION is to promote the study, teaching and appreciation of Italian culture and language in academic and community settings. AATI-LI provides its members with a communicative network among colleagues and with various opportunities for professional growth, such as informational meetings, lectures, conferences, workshops and culturally enriching events. In addition, the organization awards scholarships to high school seniors who have excelled in Italian and bestows the Dante Award on an individual in the community who has promoted Italian in a noteworthy way.

What does AATI-LI offer?

AATI-LI offers our teachers, supervisors, and students the benefits of professional development opportunities, contests to highlight student talent, and a variety of awards, scholarships, and stipends to encourage and reward participation in language programs across Long Island and the surrounding areas.

Some AATI-LI member benefits include:

- **Continuing Teacher and Leader Education (CTLE)** certificates upon completion of professional development courses
- Discounts for AATI-LI webinars and to our **AATI-LI annual Conference**
- Participation in the AATI-LI **student photo competition**
- Participation in the AATI-LI **annual Poetry and Cooking Competition**
- **Middle school student award** opportunities
- **AATI-LI Scholarship** opportunities for graduating seniors
- **Teacher grant opportunities**

How can I get involved?

If your teachers are not yet members of AATI-LI or need to renew their membership, they can visit: <http://www.aati-online.org/>. Membership includes both National and local AATI membership.

For questions and to be added to our Listserv, please email aatilongisland@gmail.com.