

Students gain an appreciation for multiculturalism.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF A DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM?

Dual Language has three main goals:

- Bilingualism
- Biliteracy
- Multiculturalism

This program prepares students for a global society. They will develop abilities to listen, speak, read, and write in both English and Spanish. They will also develop an appreciation for different cultures.



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WHAT IS DUAL LANGUAGE?

Dual Language education integrates native English speaking students with native Spanish speaking students for academic instruction. The instruction is presented in both languages.

Social and academic learning occurs in an environment that values the language and culture of all students. This sets high standards for students to ultimately achieve high academic success in Spanish and English.

DUAL LANGUAGE COMMITMENT

- The program is a long-term commitment: Kindergarten until 5th grade.
- Encourage the use of the target language outside of the school.
- Embrace other cultures and languages.
- Enjoy the challenges and celebrate the results.

Dual Language is the educational experience I wanted for my daughter so she is prepared for her future."

-Dual Language Parent

BENEFITS OF DUAL LANGUAGE

Research has proven that Dual Language programs:

- Provide pathways for the Seal of Biliteracy.
- Increase academic achievement for ALL students.
- Increase problem-solving skills.
- Enhance communication skills.



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HOW DO I APPLY FOR THIS PROGRAM?

District 131 families with incoming Kindergarten students can apply for entry into the Dual Language program. Please see the process below:



The applicant process occurs in the spring, during Kindergarten registration.



Applicants attend an informational session on the program. Those who commit to the program are placed in a lottery process.



Students who are not selected from the lottery will be placed on a waiting list.