

DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM



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Program Registration Process

1. Parents complete an application.
2. Bilingual students will be balanced with Spanish and English dominant students. (50% of slots are reserved for native Spanish speakers.)
3. Applicants will be assessed to determine their language proficiency.
4. For families who are not selected, the child will be placed on a wait list and parents will be notified by the end of June if a placement is available for the new year.
5. Parents must agree to sign a DLI Parent Compact to complete the enrollment process.
6. For information regarding registration please call (661) 942-0431 for details.

Frequently Asked Questions

How successful are these programs?

According to several scientifically based research studies, DLI students experience increased cognitive benefits as well as improved academic success.

Will two languages confuse my child or slow down his/her academic progress?

Quite the opposite! Learning in two languages enhances academic growth and achievement for students as long as they are kept in the program. Moving children in and out of the program should be avoided. Children gain maximum benefits from the program by remaining in it until 5th grade.

Do children become frustrated listening to instruction in another language?

The program may require some adjustment in the early months, but students adjust quickly.

Will I be able to help my student with homework?

All instructions will be written in Spanish and English. There may be times, however, when parents may need the help of an English/Spanish dictionary.

Will I have to read to my child in Spanish and English?

Only if you want to. We recommend that you read to your student in whatever language you use at home. As your student's literacy skills in Spanish and English improve, you may ask him/her to read to you!

Program Overview

Linda Verde's Dual Language Immersion Program offers English and Spanish speaking students exciting, enriching, and challenging educational opportunities. All students will learn to read, write, and communicate effectively in Spanish and English while achieving high levels of academic success. Students will have the bilingual skills and cross-cultural competencies needed to succeed in our multicultural society and global economy. There are priceless gifts that will serve our children for a lifetime.

Program Goals

- Biliteracy & Bilingualism
- Improved Academic Excellence
- Multicultural Knowledge
- Seal of Biliteracy Pathway

Curriculum

- The program follows the District's core curriculum and uses State-adopted materials.
- Teaches Common Core State Standards
- Highly-trained teachers who received continuous professional development

Program Model

- 30 minutes of daily English Language Development for English Learners
- Dual Language Instruction is based on the "90/10" Model. The following are the DLI Instruction percentages by grade level:

GRADE	SPANISH	ENGLISH
TK/K/1ST	90%	10%
2ND	80%	20%
3RD	70%	30%
4TH	60%	40%
5TH	50%	50%