

WHY DO PARENTS SELECT A DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM?

Parents select the Dual Language Program to stimulate their child's cognitive, social, and linguistic development. It prepares children with advantages to compete for future careers. Dual Language Education provides children with the skills needed to live and work in a multicultural and global economy.



"Those who learn two languages are twice as valuable."

-Anonymous

For more information about the Dual Language Program, please call any of the following participating schools:

Foster Elementary: (626) 962-8111
Offers Program in grades TK-6

Geddes Elementary: (626) 962-8114
Offers Program in grades K-5

Heath Elementary: (626) 338-4013
Offers Program in grades Pre-K-6

Tracy Elementary: (626) 962-9718
Offers Program in grades K-6

Walnut Elementary: (626) 939-4368
Offers Program in grades K-5

Olive Middle School: (626) 962-8416
Offers Program in grades 6-8

Sierra Vista Junior High: (626) 962-1300
Offers Program in grades 7-8

Baldwin Park High School: (626) 960-5431
Offers Program in grades 9-12

Dual Language Program

"The Power of Two Languages"

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Dual Language Program

Vision Statement

Graduate students to be bilingual, biliterate and culturally diverse.



Learning how to contribute and compete in a global society through the performing arts.

Mission

- Implement a high quality Dual Language Program that emphasizes academic achievement in English and Spanish.

What does a Dual Language Program Offer?

This unique program offers English and Spanish speaking students the opportunity to learn and excel in two languages, English and Spanish. Students in a Dual Language Program are taught in the 80/20 model. Students in Pre K-2nd grade receive 80% of their instruction in Spanish and 20% in English. Each year, thereafter, English is gradually increased into the program. By 5th and 6th grade, instructional time will be 50% in English and 50% in Spanish. Students at this time will develop fluency in both languages.

Research indicates that a Dual Language Program is the most effective model to educate limited English proficient students. In addition, it offers a second language for English speaking students without risk to their academic achievement or English proficiency.

Benefits of a DL Program for Language Majority and Language Minority Students

- Functionally literate in a second language
- Critical thinking skills developed
- Better prepared to meet the exciting challenges of our society
- Development of cultural awareness
- Increases parent involvement
- Dual Language Recognition Seal received on diploma

Instructional Time

Grade	Spanish	English
Pre-K	80%	20%
TK-2nd	80%	20%
3rd	70%	30%
4th	60%	40%
5th-6th	50%	50%
7th-8th	Social Studies/Language Arts	
9th-12th	Spanish II/III / AP Spanish Language / Chicano Studies/Literature & AP Spanish Literature (optional)	

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