495 Total Student Enrollment

Mission

We are committed to creating a joyful, relationship-based community with rigorous instruction that is relevant to the development of bi-literate, globally minded students.

Immersion Program

Henry Zarrow International School is one of two immersion schools in the TPS district and focuses on teaching English-dominant students to become bilingual in Spanish. Students from each quadrant of the city are accepted through a lottery process and begin receiving instruction primarily in Spanish beginning in kindergarten. Since students begin the process in early elementary school, their brains are physiologically primed for language learning, and they learn the second language proficiently with a near-native accent. Teachers in our school represent 13 countries and are either native Spanish speakers or demonstrate near-native proficiency. Over time, instruction in English is gradually added and, by 5th grade, students are learning 50% of the time in English and 50% of the time in Spanish.

Bilingualism increases brain cognition by utilizing the highest levels of thinking, focus, and awareness. Bilingual children who are educated in their second language have been seen to outperform single language children in their native language.

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Enrollment data from October 1, 2019.
STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM
The culmination of a student’s years at Zarrow ends with the opportunity to study abroad in Spain or Costa Rica in the fall of their 5th grade year. Two programs have been developed to offer Spanish immersion exchanges for eight weeks in Madrid, Spain or four weeks in La Heredia, Costa Rica. Selected students undergo 12 weeks of “Ambassador Training” sessions to prepare them culturally and emotionally to go abroad. Students return home from the exchanges with new cultural knowledge, a deeper grasp of the Spanish language and as more globalized citizens.

CLUBS AND PROGRAMS
PTA, Choir, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Good News, Mad Science, Dance, Soccer, Basketball, Running Club, Chess Club, Percussion, Math Club, Bike Club, Young Rembrandts, Student Council, School Newspaper, Jr. Great Books, Reflections Fine Arts Contest, Annual Talent Show, HZIS Foundation, Bricks for Kids, Spanish Club, Science Enrichment

FOCUS ON FINE ARTS
The arts are a critical area of focus at Zarrow through curriculum and extracurricular activities. Our choir and drumming clubs are invited to perform across the city, and all grades have at least one fine arts performance per year. We also host an annual Cultural Fair, which includes booths that teach native games and dialects. We also host an annual Cultural Fair, which includes booths that teach native games, geography, and culture.

TULSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT-A-GLANCE
Our mission is to inspire and prepare every student to love learning, achieve ambitious goals and make positive contributions to our world.

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