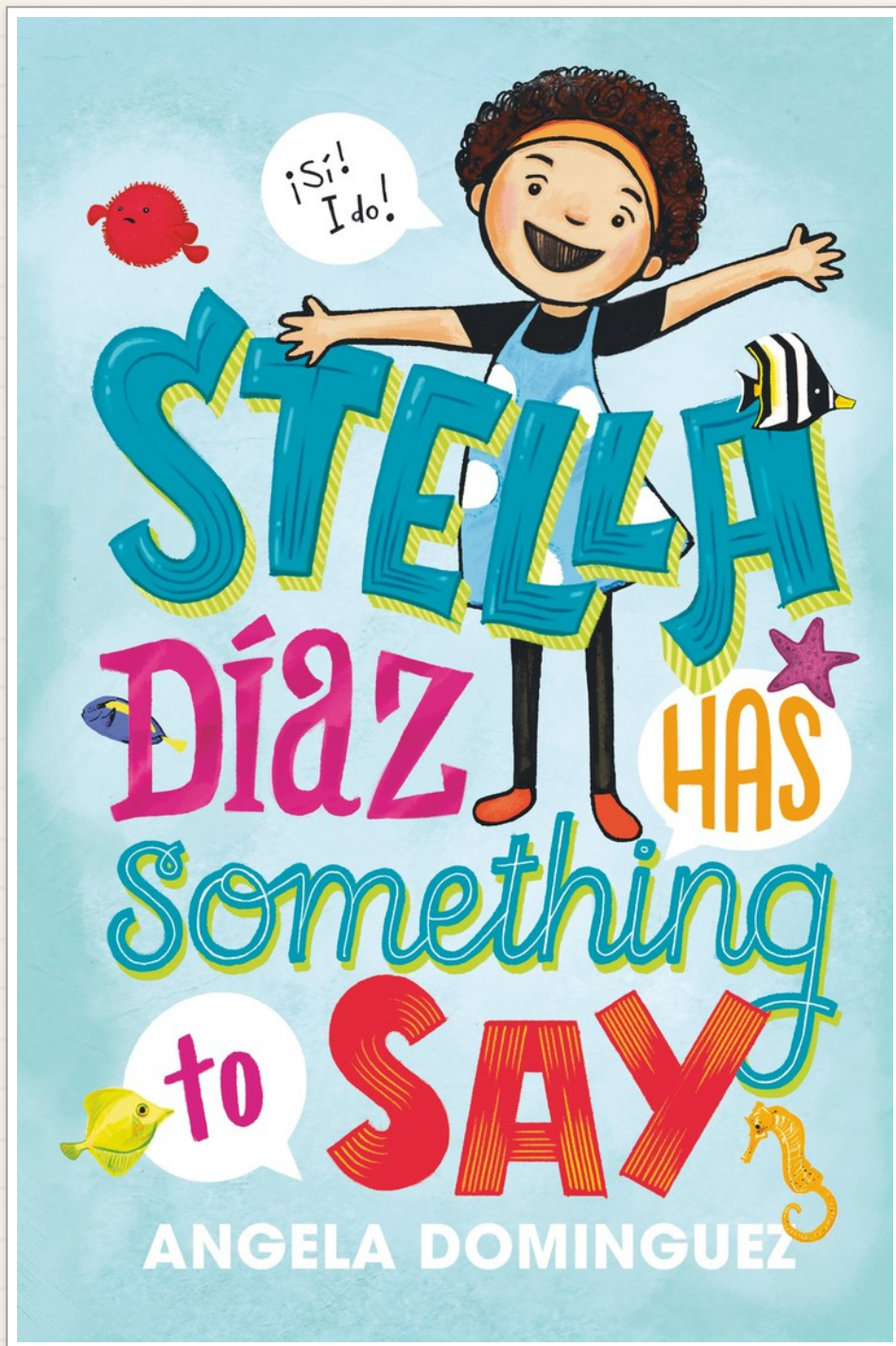


# Washington Elementary School

SPECIAL EDITION: ONE BOOK ONE SCHOOL

At Washington Elementary School, we foster a student-centered community where all students are inspired to discover their own passions, accept and appreciate the differences in one another, and make reflective and responsible choices that will make the world a better place.

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## ONE BOOK ONE SCHOOL - WELCOME STELLA DIAZ!

Dear Washington families,

Our students and staff have embarked on reading this year's *One Book One School* book, Stella Díaz Has Something to Say.

In this year's book, Stella, the main character, lives with her mother and brother in Chicago, Illinois. When Stella's best friend Jenny is in another class, Stella longs to make a new friend - maybe she could be friends with the new student who joined the class. But Stella is a little nervous to speak to people and in front of the class, especially when she accidentally speaks Spanish instead of English, which makes her turn *roja*.

In the first book of the *Stella Diaz* series, Stella shows that she definitely has something to say!

At home, we encourage you to ask your student about Stella, her family, and what character traits readers have learned about Stella and her family and friends. You can also discuss what challenges Stella is experiencing in the book (so far). The book is also rich in English and Spanish vocabulary, which the teachers review with their students.



## AUTHOR VISIT - MARCH 11

The author of the book, Angela Dominguez, will visit our school for a schoolwide assembly on Friday, March 11. It is such a great opportunity for our community to connect with the author of the book they read together as a school community.



## SCHOOLWIDE ACTIVITY: BACKPACK DESIGN CONTEST

This week, students brought home templates for our schoolwide activity - a backpack design!

Instructions:

Design your own backpack and then write 1-3 sentences about what you included on the design and why you included it.

All student entries will be entered in a schoolwide drawing for their own copy of the second book in the Stella Diaz series, [Stella Diaz Never Gives Up](#).

Entries are due by February 23 (send to main office)






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# February



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Lunar New Year	2 Groundhog's Day 	3	4 Fingerprinting for New Students	5
6	7	8 Candy Grams Due 	9 <b>EARLY DISMISSAL</b>	10	11	12
<div>  <b>GO FOR THE GOLD WEEK</b>  </div>						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<div>  <b>KIDS HEART CHALLENGE WEEK</b>  </div>						
20	21 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> 	22	23	24	25 <b>SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY!</b> 	26
27	28					

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