

Spanish Immersion IN EDEN PRAIRIE SCHOOLS



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Inspiring each student every day™



Eden Prairie Schools sets a new standard for excellence in immersion education. We combine our outstanding curriculum and high academic standards with the Spanish language and culture to deliver an exceptional immersion experience both in person and online. This gives *each* student a new perspective of the global environment in which we live.

HOW CAN STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM IMMERSION?



Language skills

Students can be expected to reach high levels of world language proficiency.



Test performance

Immersion produces successful learners who demonstrate strong performance on standardized achievement tests administered in English.



Cognitive skills

Dual-language learners demonstrate strong communication, collaboration, creativity and critical-thinking skills, as well as an enhanced understanding of their primary language.



Cultural sensitivity

Immersion students tend to have a strong understanding of, and appreciation for, diverse cultures and a broad worldview.

IMMERSION THROUGH THE YEARS

Elementary School: Grades K-5

Eagle Heights Spanish Immersion offers a full immersion experience for students in kindergarten through grade five. Standards, outcomes, curriculum and assessments applied at the district's other elementary schools are the basis for an Eagle Heights education. All core subjects are taught in Spanish; art, music, and physical education are taught in English.

Middle School: Grades 6-8

Elementary students continue their immersion experience at Central Middle School. Language & Culture and Social Studies courses taught in Spanish allow students to deepen their Spanish language skills through direct instruction, cultural elements, and reading and writing practice in Spanish. Instruction in other subject areas is given in English.

High School: Grades 9-12

At Eden Prairie High School, students continue to advance their Spanish language skills by registering for Spanish Language & Culture courses. Students who successfully complete Spanish V and Spanish VI, offered by the University of Minnesota as part of the College in the Schools (CIS) program, are able to earn five college credits per course. Many students choose to achieve a Bilingual Seal, which also earns college credit.



REGISTRATION

Elementary School

Students entering kindergarten are invited to apply to attend Eagle Heights. Applicants are entered into a lottery, which is held in early February for the coming school year. Applications received after the lottery will be added to a waitlist.

Middle & High School

Students continuing their immersion experience at Central Middle School and Eden Prairie High School select the specified immersion and Spanish language classes during the course registration process at each school.

Have questions? Contact our Welcome Center at (952) 975-7008 or Register4EP@edenpr.org.

