

CREATING BILINGUAL, bi-literate and (ROSS-(ULTURALLY *aware* learners



DUAL LANGUAGE
PROGRAM



Welcome to the Dual Language Program

The Kennewick School District kindergarten through eighth grade Dual Language Program is a rigorous biliteracy model that develops high linguistic and academic language proficiency in both Spanish and English while fostering global competence and global citizenship. All students in the program learn grade-level standards in English and Spanish based on the content and language allocation plan (see chart below). Students experience classroom instruction in a 50:50 model, where 50 percent of the instruction is in English and 50 percent of the instruction is in Spanish.

Language Instruction by Grade & Subject

Grades	Spanish	English
K-2	Spanish Language Arts, Social Studies and Math	English Language Arts and Science
3-5	Spanish Language Arts and Science	English Language Arts, Social Studies and Math
6-8	Spanish Language Arts and Social Studies	English Language Arts, Science, Math and Electives

Tracking Student Growth in Biliteracy

In our elementary program, we track student growth in English and Spanish literacy using the biliteracy trajectory tool which provides expected ranges of literacy for each language. In middle school, we utilize the Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) in English and the Seal of Biliteracy testing in Spanish.



Elementary Learning Opportunities



Amistad Elementary

One-Way Dual Language Program
(Grades K-5)

Enrollment: Students who speak primarily Spanish or are bilingual are eligible to enroll.



Eastgate Elementary

One and Two-Way Dual Language Program
(Grades K-5)

Dual Language Expansion Site

Enrollment: Any incoming boundary kindergarten students regardless of language spoken in the home are eligible.



Fuerza Elementary

Two-Way Dual Language Program
(Grades K-5)

Enrollment: Incoming kindergarten students who speak Spanish, English or are bilingual at home are eligible. Application, testing and lottery selection required for English speaking or bilingual families. The application process begins in the spring of the student's pre-kindergarten year.

One-Way Dual Language

Year	Grades
21-22	2-5
22-23	3-5
23-24	4-5
24-25	5

Two-Way Dual Language Expansion

Year	Grades
21-22	Kindergarten & 1 st Grade
22-23	K-2
23-24	K-3
24-25	K-4
25-26	Entire School (K-5)



Secondary Learning Opportunities



Highlands & Park Middle School

(Grades 6-8)

Amistad, Eastgate, and Fuerza elementary students are eligible to continue their Spanish/English learning in dedicated middle school classrooms at Highlands and Park middle schools. These programs are boundary qualified and are a continuation of the program which started in kindergarten. Eligibility requirements are necessary to participate in the middle school program.



High School Spanish Courses

(Grades 9-12)

Students may continue their Spanish language learning in high school by taking Spanish Language Arts, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate (IB), and Interpreting/Translating courses.



Seal of Biliteracy

(Grades 8-12)

Students who attain a high level of proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing in Spanish and pass the language assessment are eligible to receive a Washington Seal of Biliteracy on their diploma and high school transcript.



Questions?

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