How to enroll?

Kindergarten enrollment begins in February. Let us know if you are interested by submitting our online form in our website to receive more information:

https://www.fmsd.org/apps/pages/dualimmersion

Interested parents must attend an information meeting before enrolling your child.

FAQs

Where is the program located?
Jeanne R. Meadows Elementary
1250 Taper Lane, San José, California 95122

Will transportation be provided?
Transportation will not be provided. Parents/Guardians will be responsible for coordinating transportation for their children if not within proximity to the school.

When will I be notified if my child has a spot in the program?
You will be notified in writing in March.

FAQs

How does the program work?
We accept students at kindergarten each year, as these classes advance to the next grade level, it will eventually expand to serve K-6th grade. The goal is to have each kindergarten class with equal numbers of Spanish and English-speaking students.

Do we need to live within FMSD boundaries for my child to participate?
No. This is a parent choice program. Parents from outside the District interested in enrolling their children in the Dual Language Immersion Program will submit the interest form and request an Interdistrict Transfer from your District of residence.

Contact details:

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Spanish Dual Language Immersion Program

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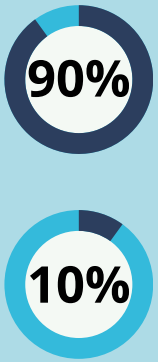
Dual Language Immersion Program

Dual Language Immersion Program is a unique educational program offered in Franklin McKinley School District (FMSD) that builds student bilingualism and biliteracy in English and Spanish. The Dual Language Immersion Program integrates native English speaking and English language learning Spanish speaking students in the same classroom. The teacher provides academic instruction through two languages, one of which is the primary language of each group (Spanish and English).

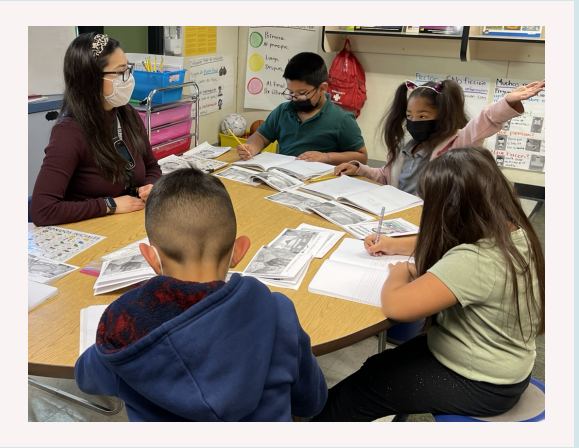
Instructional model

In Kindergarten, instruction is delivered in Spanish 90% of the day and in English 10% of the day. The amount of English language instruction increases as the students move up in grade level. By 4th grade, 50% of the day is taught in English and 50% in Spanish. Classes consist of 50% English and 50% Spanish speaking students who serve as language models for each other.



Family commitment

- Understand and support the program goals.
- Agree to complete the Dual Language Immersion Program in Franklin McKinley School District.
- Participate in school meetings and activities.
- Become active participants in your child's education.



Program goals

The goals of this K-6th program include:

- **Bilingualism-** Students will develop high levels of language proficiency in Spanish and English.

- **Academic achievement-** Students will perform at or above grade level in academic subjects aligned to state standards in both languages.

- **Multiculturalism-** Students will develop a positive cultural identity and other cultures appreciation as a 21st century citizen.

Benefits of Dual Language immersion

Research shows students will:

- Strengthen cognitive skills and attain high academic achievement in two languages.
- Speak fluently in two languages and acquire skills to succeed in a global economy.
- Foster cross-cultural competency.
- Competitive for college, scholarships, and career opportunities.
- Enhance creativity and problem-solving skills.

Who can participate?

Any incoming student attending Kindergarten turning 5 years old on or before September 1st. The class is composed by half native Spanish speakers and half English speakers.

This is a perfect program for children who are already bilingual!