# DLI Recruitment Parent Information











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# Bienvenidos, empezaremos en breve.

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# **Meeting Essentials**

This meeting will be recorded



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Use the Chat box for questions or comments







# Opportunity to become bilingual and biliterate

A student who is **bilingual** can **fluently** speak two languages. A student who is **biliterate** can **read and write** proficiently in two languages.





### **Benefits of Dual Language Immersion**

- Bilingualism provides lasting cognitive, academic, linguistic, and economic benefits.
- Students with multi-cultural experiences will be more prepared to live and function in a global community.
- Dominant Spanish speakers will have the opportunity to develop literacy in their first language, and maintain that first language while becoming fluent in English.
- Dominant English speakers will have the opportunity to become fluent in Spanish.







### **Dual Language Immersion Program**

**KINDERGARTEN** students are immersed in the target language - SPANISH

### **RIGOROUS and CHALLENGING**

It is REWARDING when your kindergarten child can speak Spanish & English by the end of the year





### **Program Pillars**

Our program begins in kindergarten, continues through 6<sup>th</sup> grade and into middle and high school. Students learn about the pillars.

#### Pillar #1

Our program is designed to build **bilingualism** and **biliteracy** in English and in Spanish for all students.



#### Pillar #2

We strive to provide high levels of standards-based academic experience.



#### Pillar #3

Students develop cross-cultural awareness; therefore, they are able to work with others with a global mindset.





### Model

### Design

90/10

50/50

RUSD DLI program model.

Our program is designed to have an **equal** number of English speaking and Spanish speaking students in the classrooms.



# **Program Design**



4+1

4 Language Domains + 1 Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing + Multilinguistic Awareness

Math, Science, History-Social Studies, etc. Language learning takes place through content instruction that is standards-based, rigorous, highly engaging, and collaborative.



Academic subjects are taught in both languages, though *not concurrently.* 

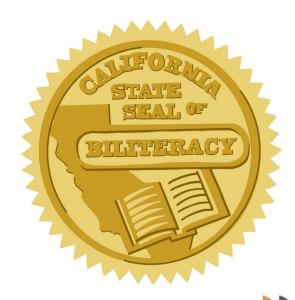


Teachers are **fully** bilingual and biliterate.



### **Amazing Opportunities for Students:**

- Be bilingual & biliterate in two languages!
- Opportunity to earn college credit in high school
- Opportunity to earn the CA Seal of Biliteracy
- Graduate with a Translator
   Certificate



# **Our DLI Pathways**



















## **Program Model**

Grade	Spanish	English	Literacy Development
Kinder	90%	10%	Spanish
1 <sup>st</sup>	80%	20%	Spanish
2 <sup>nd</sup>	70%	30%	Spanish
3 <sup>rd</sup>	60%	40%	Introduction of formal English
4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup>	50%	50%	English and Spanish



# **Program Model**

Grade	Spanish	English	Literacy Development
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<ul> <li>7<sup>th</sup> Grade History</li> <li>Pre-AP Spanish</li> </ul>	All other subjects	Spanish and English
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<ul> <li>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science</li> <li>AP Spanish*</li> </ul>	All other subjects	Spanish and English
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grades	<ul> <li>At least one subject in Spanish at each grade level</li> </ul>	All other subjects	Spanish and English



## **DLI Program in 2023-2024**

School	Grades
Washington	Kinder – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Castle View	Kinder – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Mt. View	Kinder – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Jefferson	Kinder – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Longfellow	Kinder – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Fremont	Kinder – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Gage Middle School	Grade 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup>
Sierra Middle School	Grade 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup>
University Heights	Grade 7th
Poly High School	Grades 9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>
Ramona High School	Grade 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup>

# 2023-2024 University Heights Opens 7th Grade





# Apply at riversideunified.org/DLI

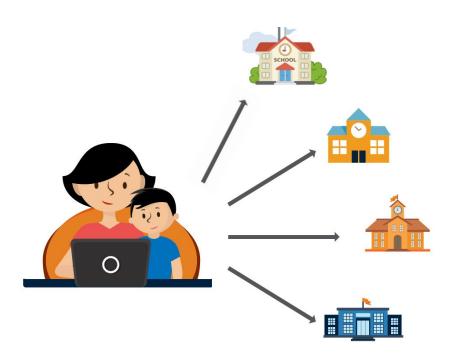




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Select up to 4 elementary schools on the application

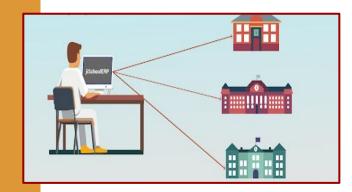
To have more opportunities to enter our program



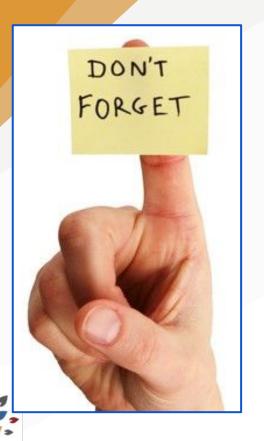


### **CAUTION:** Only request a school if:

- You are comfortable having your child on the K- 6, 7-8, 9-12 pathway
- You can provide transportation to the school you select without hardship
- The school is a viable option for your family







- If you already have a child in DLI, you must apply in <u>November</u> 2023 for new students
- Siblings are not automatically accepted

# **Priority**



1<sup>st</sup>: School of Residence students and within this category, School of Residence students with siblings already in the program will be placed first.

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Non- school of residence** students who have a sibling already in the program *at that site* 

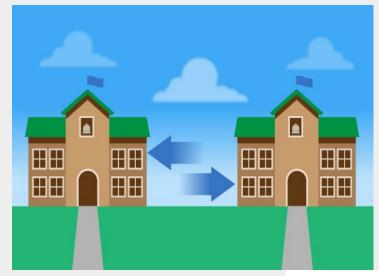
3<sup>rd</sup>: Parent works at that specific DLI site

4th: All other students

**Lottery** is implemented when we have more applicants than spaces available.

### Requests for Transfer

- Both in-district and out-of-district parents may apply to the program.
- Out of district parents must attain a transfer release from their district of residence
- Out of district parents must complete a District of Choice Transfer Application, which will be available on the RUSD website from November 1, 2023 through January 12, 2024.
- If you are not accepted into the DLI program, but you want your child attending a particular school, complete the district transfer application.





### Request for Transfer

- Parents requesting movement from one DLI school to another must complete an Intra-district Transfer Application during the regular application window from November 1, 2023 through January 12, 2024.
- Attrition in the program is low, very few spots open up each year
- Placement at grades above
   Kindergarten still recognizes the
   priority levels of 1) School of
   residence, 2) Sibling, and 3) DLI-Site
   Employee





### **Ending a DLI Transfer**

- Specialty transfers are granted for DLI parents based on enrollment in DLI
- If the parent decides to leave
   DLI, the transfer is revoked
- The student must return to their school of residence when the Specialty Transfer is revoked





### **Dual Language Immersion Application Dates**

### Fall Application 2024 Window

- Opens: November 1, 2023 at 12:00 pm
- Closes: December 15, 2023 at 4:00 pm

### **After Application Window**

- Opens: January 29, 2024 at 12:00 pm
- Closes: August 16, 2024 at 4:00 pm



A link to the online application will open November 1, 2023.

### When will you get information?

Fall Application 2024 Notices

Notification about the status of the application will be sent to parents at the end of January 2024



# additional Information and Support

For information, please visit the Dual Language Immersion webpage at: <a href="http://www.riversideunified.org/DLI">http://www.riversideunified.org/DLI</a>

#### Information on the website:

- Handy links to each of the DLI sites
- The DLI Handbook, a thorough guide to the DLI program
- Information on the Application Process
- A link to the online application, to be posted Nov. 1
- A Frequently Asked Questions document
- Research and other articles on Dual Language Immersion



# Apply at riversideunified.org/DLI





# Questions





# Thank you

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