

## WHAT IS DUAL LANGUAGE?

Dual Language is an additive program that encourages development of language and academic skills in the second language while increasing the mastery of these in the first language. English Proficient students and Emergent Bilingual students learn in a classroom that integrates two languages in their academic instruction.

## BENEFITS

Immersion is in two languages (instruction is 50% in Spanish and 50% in English).

- Listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in two languages
- Higher academic performance
- Design based on top research
- Promote positive attitudes toward each language and culture to foster full bilingual and biliterate proficiencies in both languages.

## PARTICIPATING CAMPUSES

The Dual Language Program is offered through an application process at Carleston, Cockrell, Lawhon and Magnolia elementary schools for kindergarten to fourth grade. Fifth and sixth grade is offered at Jamison and Sablatura middle schools.

- Carleston, Cockrell, Lawhon and Magnolia: K-4th grades
- Jamison and Sablatura: 5th & 6th grades

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# DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Program Overview Brochure

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

### KINDERGARTEN – 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Spanish

- Language Arts
- Math
- Social Studies

English

- Language Arts
- Math
- Science

### 5<sup>TH</sup> – 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Spanish

- Language Arts
- Social Studies
- Spanish I (High School Credit)

English

- Language Arts
- Math
- Science

### 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE – HIGH SCHOOL

Students are offered a wide variety of course options and extracurricular activities with opportunities to take Spanish II and III at Pearland Junior High South and West and Advanced Placement Spanish classes thereafter in high school.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### How many years does my child stay in the program?

Students participate in the Dual Language Program for K-6<sup>th</sup> grade. A student's success depends on continued exposure to both languages.

### Will my child learn the same material as students in regular classes?

Yes, the curriculum follows state guidelines (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills).

### Does my child earn a Seal of Biliteracy?

Along with completing the K-6 Dual Language Program, Texas offers a performance acknowledgement for bilingualism and biliteracy for students meeting criteria outlined in [Chapter 74.14 of the Texas Administrative Code](#).

### Will there be a zero hour offered in junior high?

Zero hour will be an option based upon enrollment and student needs.

