WHERE IS DLI OFFERED?

- Chávez Elementary Gr. 5K-5
- Glendale Elementary Gr. 5K-5
- Leopold Elementary Gr. 5K-5
- Lincoln Elementary Gr.3-5
- Midvale Elementary Gr.5K-2
- Sandburg Elementary Gr. 5K-5
- Nuestro Mundo Gr. 5K-5
- Schenk Elementary Gr. 5K
- Allis Elementary Gr. 5K
- Cherokee Middle School Gr.6 and 7
- Sennett Middle School Gr.6-8
- Sherman Middle School Gr. 6
- La Follette High School Gr. 9-12

What if I live in a different attendance area?

Incoming Kindergarten students enter the program through a lottery system. Internal and external transfer students are eligible if open seats are not filled within the school’s attendance area. See the MMSD DLI website for more details on the lottery system.

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Application at: www.mmsd.org/dliapplication
A Dual Language Immersion (DLI) program is a form of bilingual education that leads to the development of academic and social language skills in two languages. In our DLI programs, students learn school subjects through both Spanish and English. Spanish speaking students learn side by side with English speaking classmates. Both groups of students develop fluency and literacy in both languages.

Students also develop intercultural and global competence that prepares them to thrive in today’s interconnected and increasingly competitive global community.

The goals of our DLI programs are:

- To help students succeed in school
- To develop bilingual & biliteracy skills in both English & Spanish, and
- To develop cross-cultural understanding.

The DLI programs offer students a unique opportunity to advance academically AND to learn a second language in the years when the brain is most receptive to language learning.

Students are able to develop high levels of proficiency in their first and second languages. Teachers in the DLI programs use both languages to help their students learn the same core curriculum taught throughout the district.

DLI programs reflect and honor the linguistic and cultural diversity of our community and prepare students for academic and personal success.

Q: Do parents need to know both languages for their children to participate?
A: Parents do not need to be bilingual for their children to succeed in a dual language program. In fact, most parents are not bilingual.

Q: How do I find out more information and get answers to my questions?
A: If you have computer access, a great place to start is the MMSD website: www.mmsd.org/dli.

Parents and family members are invited to attend our kindergarten informational sessions. We also have several scheduled DLI classroom visits so you can see the program in action! Contact school offices for specific dates and times.

Q: How do I enroll my child?
A: All applications for the DLI programs are processed through a lottery system. Parents can request an application from schools with DLI programs, print from the website or complete online.

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