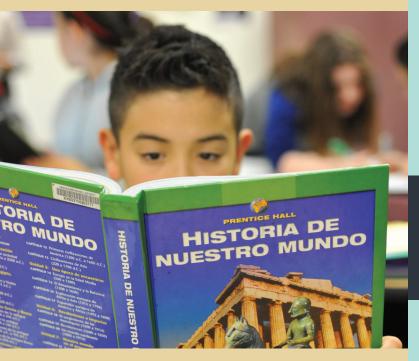
## What are Language Learning Programs?



LANGUAGE Mandarin Language Learning Spanish English Dual Language

Creating

GLOBALLY

competent citizens

## How do I apply?

- 1. Attend a required parent information meeting.
- 2. Submit an application for the program you are interested in.
- 3. A lottery is held to select students. Students applying who reside within the school's boundaries have first priority.

## **Program goals:**

Language Learning Program goals include high academic achievement, bilingual and biliteracy skills and global competence.

## Talk to us!

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## Programs at a glance

Programs in Spanish or Mandarin

Programs begin in kindergarten • Continue through 12<sup>th</sup> grade Apply beginning in April • Lottery process Who should apply for the Language Learning Program?

incoming **kindergarteners + families**who are interested in:



All Language Learning Programs begin with enrollment in kindergarten and have a continued program pathway through 12th grade. Students and their families are committed to being part of a diverse learning community.



# learning through culture



Language Learning Programs are unique.



### Language Learning Programs offer:

- family-like environment with program classmates
- immersive experience in elementary school
- secondary pathway in middle and high school
- cultural projects and activities that apply language
- potential to earn college credit
- potential to earn a Seal of Biliteracy on diploma