



Dual Language Programs (K-8)

Dual Language programs are a type of Bilingual Education program that provide students instruction in an immersion setting. These programs enable students to engage in a learning environment that develops bilingualism, biliteracy, and cultural understanding among English Learners and non-English Learners. All CPS Dual Language programs currently offer instruction in **Spanish** and **English**.

There are two types of Dual Language programs offered to K-8 students: **one-way** and **two-way programs**. **Specific details about both program types can be found below.** In both types of Dual Language programs, students receive core instruction (language arts, math, science, social science) through a second language with the goal of all students becoming bilingual and biliterate in both Spanish and English. In addition to core instruction, all ELs enrolled in a Dual Language Program receive English Language Development instruction, and all native-English-speaking students receive Language Development instruction in the partner language (e.g., Spanish Language Development) to improve their proficiency in the new language. Students also have the opportunity to continue Dual Language programming in **high school** (at **Back of the Yards HS, Roosevelt HS, and Schurz HS**) so that they have a greater opportunity to develop literacy skills and fluency in both languages.

One-Way Programs

One-way dual language programs provide instruction in two languages and serve mostly English Learners (ELs), former ELs & heritage language learners. Students will only be able to apply to these programs if they meet language eligibility requirements.

SCHOOLS WITH ONE-WAY PROGRAMS

SCHOOL	GRADES	SCHOOL	GRADES
Avondale-Logandale	K-5	Mozart	K-8
Azuela	K-8	Nixon	K-6
Barry	K-6	Nobel	K-6
Belmont-Cragin	K-8	Prieto	K-6
Calmecca	K-8	Salazar	K-5
Carson	K-8	Sandoval	K-6
Cleveland	K-6	Schubert	K-4
Cooper	K-7	Spry	K-8
Darwin	K-7	Stowe	K-7
Davis N	K-3	Talcott	K-8
Eberhart	K-5	Tarkington	K-4
Edwards	K-8	Volta	K-8
Funston	K-3	Von Linne	2-8
Hurley	K-8		

Two-Way Programs

Two-way dual language programs aim for a **50:50 balance of ELs and non-ELs in the classroom**. Students serve as language models to each other as they acquire the second language. For students applying to grades 3 and above, Spanish proficiency is necessary for students to be successful in the program.

SCHOOLS WITH TWO-WAY PROGRAMS

SCHOOL	GRADES
Bateman	K-7
Chase	K-8
Goethe	K-5
Hibbard	K-6
Inter-American	K-8
Moos	K-8
Sabin	K-8
Telpochcalli	K-8
Von Linne	K-2
Whittier	K-8

TIP: If you see an 'S' at the end of your queue on the waitlist (e.g. Sibling S or General S), your student is eligible for a **Spanish** seat. If you see an 'E', your student is eligible for an **English** seat.

Two-way programs will allocate approximately half their total seats to students from the Spanish queue and half from the English queue.

Please answer all questions about language & EL status on the GoCPS application honestly - this information is used to ensure proper language balance in Dual Language classrooms.

Note: All non CPS will be prompted to answer questions about student language on the GoCPS application. Only non-CPS applicants will be asked to provide EL status; this information is already on file for current CPS students.

My child is an English Learner but not a Spanish speaker. Should I consider applying to two-way Dual Language programs? Yes, you can apply. These programs are open to all students.

I live in the attendance area of a school with a Dual Language program. Do I need to apply? No. If you are interested in enrolling your student in a Dual Language program that is housed in your neighborhood school, please contact the school directly for next steps. However, please note that students must meet the program's language requirements in order to enroll.

My student already attends Dual Language PreK at a CPS school. Can they continue in the program for kindergarten? If your student attends Inter-American or their neighborhood school, they can continue without applying. Otherwise, families must submit a GoCPS application.

Where can I learn more about Dual Language Programs? Please visit the Office of Multilingual-Multicultural Education (OMME) [website](http://www.gocps.org/omme) or contact OMME at **773-553-1930** or **OMME@CPS.EDU**.