People are saying...

"One of the greatest gifts I can provide my child is the ability to speak the language of our family and our ancestors. I am so excited to have the support of the Dual Immersion Program as I work to raise a bicultural child. This will be a tremendous asset for the future."

- Priscilla Resendez, mother of student

"Our Dual Immersion Program is preparing our students to think globally and to see diversity as a source of strength and opportunity."

- Krista Castillou, Toyon Principal

Enroll Today for Fall 2019

We are accepting applications for kindergarten & (potentially) 1st grade. For more information, please contact us:

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Message from the Superintendent

Thank you for your interest in embarking on an exciting journey with us. We believe that bilingual education opens the doors to tremendous possibilities for our students. Their ability to communicate in another language is an invaluable asset that will serve them well throughout their lives.

Dr. Roxane Fuentes

Program Goals

- Meet the challenges of a global society
- * Become bilingual and biliterate
- ★ Gain career advantages
- Increase awareness of cultural traditions and customs
- ★ Achieve academic proficiency in English and Spanish

What is Dual Immersion?

Immersion education is an alternative educational model designed to provide students with fluency and literacy in two languages. In this program, all students develop literacy in Spanish first with the gradual addition of English.

All students in the Dual Immersion Program receive the same curriculum as all students throughout the district, except that initially they are taught in Spanish for most of the day.

Students in the Dual Immersion Program are taught using California State Standards in English as well as Spanish. Both English and Spanish are taught daily, and the students interact in both languages.



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nstructional 1	Time in Each	n Language	13	00 16
GRADE	SPANISH	ENGLISH	260	
Kindergarten	90%	10%	-	
1st	80%	20%		

Enrollment Process

The goal is to have a balance of 50% English only students and 50% Native speaker students enrolled in our Dual Immersion classrooms. In order for students to be successful in the Dual Immersion Program, they should have a strong foundation in their home language. All incoming kindergarten and (potentially) 1st grade students in the Berryessa Union School District are eligible to apply for the Dual Immersion Program. Classroom placement will be based on the following criteria:

- 1. Attendance area students
- 2. Berryessa Union School District students
- 3. Inter-district permits as space allows

PLEASE NOTE: Student language classification will be considered to meet 50% classroom balance.

The Dual Immersion application of interest is available through the Education Services Department at the District Office or district website.

