The Benefits of Two Languages

Research shows that learning a second language helps students plan, problem solve, ignore distractions, stay focused, hold information, and perform other mentally demanding tasks. (NYTimes, March 2012)

Language learning promotes critical and creative thinking, while challenging mental development.

Students in the Dual Language Immersion program fulfill language requirements for high school and university.

High Academic Achievement

Students in the Dual Language Immersion program have consistently demonstrated proficient and advanced achievement results in all content areas. In fact, student enrolled in the Dual Language Immersion program have outperformed their peers in the areas of Language Arts, Pre-Algebra and History.



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Dual Immersion Program

Spanish and English



What is Dual Language Immersion?

At River Heights, students in the Dual Language Immersion program are given instruction in Spanish by a Spanish-speaking teacher in their Science class. They also take an additional Spanish Literature class, also taught in Spanish. Students also take English Language Arts, Math, History and P.E. in English.

Students will achieve academic excellence in both Spanish and English, while gaining the practice of speaking in a foreign language which is an essential component in the retention of the language.

Students help each other to speak, read, write and understand one another's language.



Program Goals

Students will:

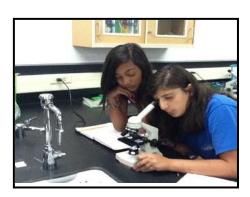
- Develop fluency and literacy in two languages: Spanish and English.
- Achieve proficiency in all academic subjects, meeting or exceeding district guidelines.
- Gain positive self-esteem, cultural awareness and sensitivity.

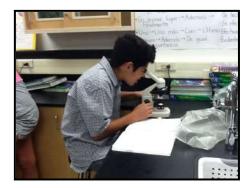




Parent Partnership

Active parent involvement is an important component for the program.

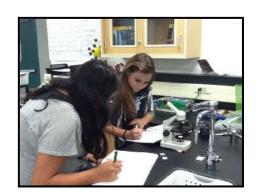






Curriculum

The curriculum taught is aligned with the California State Standards in Language Arts, Mathematics, and all other subjects



High expectations

The River Heights Dual Language Immersion program offers a rigorous learning environment where students are required to meet a minimum standard of excellence. Students must maintain a 2.0 average in all their academic courses to participate in the program.

Biliteracy

Students can continue to learn skills that will promote biliteracy in Spanish and English so that at the high school level, they can take various AP Spanish exams and receive college credit.

Spanish skills learned can help them obtain the Seal of Biliteracy at the high school level.

