



Weddington Elementary Language Immersion Program



Weddington Elementary's Spanish Immersion program offers an exciting opportunity for students to participate in a rigorous academic program that supports bilingualism, cross-cultural awareness and high academic achievement.

Students enrolled in the Spanish immersion program learn to speak, listen, read and write in Spanish. The following subjects will be taught in Spanish: math, Spanish language arts, social studies and science. Music, art and physical education are taught in English. Formal English Language Arts instruction begins in the second grade. Union County Public Schools (UCPS) immersion teachers use the NC Standards and UCPS curriculum.

Immersion Program Benefits:

- Proficiency in two languages
- Increased cultural sensitivity
- Enhanced cognitive skills
- Improved self-esteem
- Proven performance on standardized tests
- Preparation for a global society and marketplace

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UCPS Dual Language/Immersion Program Information and Admission Guidelines

The UCPS Dual Language/Immersion Program Kindergarten application period is open from February 1, 2018-March 29, 2018.

A random lottery will be conducted to assign seats and to determine order on a wait list based on the preferences below. Students on the wait list can only enter the program in kindergarten if space becomes available.

Applicants after kindergarten will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

First preference is given to rising kindergarten students in the host school's attendance zone. Rising kindergarten students who have siblings in the current program are included in the first preference regardless of home attendance zone.

Second preference will be given to other interested rising kindergarten students within the host school's cluster.

Third preference will be given to students districtwide who have an approved transfer from UCPS Central Services.

The chart below shows Dual Language/Immersion programs at each school for the 2018-2019 school year.

One-way Mandarin Immersion	Kindergarten	1 st grade	2 nd grade	3 rd grade	4 th grade	5 th grade	6 th grade
Kensington Elementary	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Marvin Elementary	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Marvin Middle							X

One-way Spanish Immersion	Kindergarten	1 st grade	2 nd grade	3 rd grade	4 th grade	5 th grade	6 th grade
Antioch Elementary	X	X	X	X	X		
Poplin Elementary	X	X	X	X	X		
Shiloh Elementary	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Sun Valley Elementary	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Unionville Elementary	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Weddington Elementary	X	X	X	X	X		
Western Union Elementary	X	X	X	X	X		
Sun Valley Middle							X

Two-way Spanish-English Immersion	Kindergarten	1 st grade	2 nd grade	3 rd grade	4 th grade	5 th grade
East Elementary	X	X				
Walter Bickett Elementary	X	X				

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