

**2019-2020**  
**Dual Language Immersion Application Information**  
WEBER SCHOOL DISTRICT  
5320 ADAMS AVENUE PARKWAY OGDEN, UTAH 84405

**WHAT IS DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION (DLI)?**

Dual language Immersion is a 50/50 instructional model beginning in 1<sup>st</sup> grade and lasting in the elementary model until 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Students spend half their day learning in English and the other half learning in Spanish or Chinese. Through developmentally appropriate curriculum, students naturally pick up the language as they learn other subjects. The program is structured on the total language learning approach incorporating content-based instruction and explicit language instruction.

**WHAT IS OUR GOAL?**

Our goal is that immersion students will become biliterate and bilingual. They will be functionally proficient in speaking, reading, and writing in either Chinese or Spanish and have a strong appreciation for cultural diversity.

**WHERE ARE THE DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAMS?**

**Chinese: Uintah Elementary School, 6115 So. 2250 E. So. Ogden 84403**  
**Bates Elementary School, 850 E. 3100 No. No. Ogden 84414**

**Spanish: Majestic Elementary School, 425 W. 2550 No. Ogden 84414**  
**Freedom Elementary School, 4555 W. 5500 So. Hooper 84315**

**WHO SHOULD APPLY?**

Any child entering first grade in fall 2019 may apply. All children accepted into the program commitment to participate all six years within elementary school and beyond through junior high and high school.

**HOW TO APPLY?**

Submit an electronic application no later than **11:59pm March 28, 2019**. Applications for all WSD immersion programs are located at <http://wsd.net/parents-students/registration/dual-immersion-programs>. Online applications open on different dates and vary by school. No paper applications will be accepted.

**HOW ARE STUDENTS CHOSEN?**

A weighted lottery process is used to select 54 students at each school. The 2019 lottery will use an updated criteria, detailed below. Taking more than 54 students is done at the school principal's discretion. Having a sibling in the program does not

guarantee placement in the program. This is a program for all students. Cognitive strengths and disabilities will not be considered by the school officials.

#### **Lottery Weightings (5 points possible)**

**1 pt:** Lives within WSD boundaries

**1.5 pt:** Lives within the school boundary

**0.5 pt:** Attended the school during Kindergarten year

*Can receive one of these point values, not both:*

**1 pt:** Sibling in the program

**0.5 pt:** Oldest child, only child, or first family opportunity to apply

*Can receive one of these point values, not both:*

**1 pt:** Target language (Spanish or Chinese) is spoken by an adult living in the home and the child is exposed to the language **at least 50%** of the time.

**0.5 pt** Target language is spoken fluently by an adult (not a sibling) living in the home, but the main language spoken in the home is not the target language.

## **NOTIFICATION**

You will be notified via e-mail by the end of day April 26, 2019 as to whether or not your child is selected for placement in the Dual Language Immersion Program beginning during the 2019-2020 school year. **If your child is selected, you must submit and electronic Intentions Form by May 9, 2019 indicating whether you choose to accept program placement.** Notification received after May 9th could affect your child's placement in the Dual Language Immersion program. Acceptance of placement requires a commitment to continue in the program through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. If you do not plan to stay in the area or are unable or unwilling to provide transportation (as needed) *please do not apply.*

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- If your child is selected for the program and you do not live in the school boundary, a registration and boundary exception form must also be completed and turned in to the school by May 9, 2019.
- If your application is *not* submitted by **March 28, 2019**, it will not be considered.
- Students currently in the program will not re-enroll each year, but will remain in the program.
- Families living outside the boundary of selected school must provide transportation.
- Families with students enrolled in the program will not be allowed to request a specific teacher because only one English teacher will be available to work with the target language teacher.

- If for some reason you *do not* receive notification by April 26, 2019 call the curriculum department (801) 476-7870.