Dual Language Family Survey

If you have several children in dual language programs, please fill out this Dual Language Family Survey about your oldest child still in the program. You can then complete just pages 1 and 2 on your other children's surveys.

What is your name?

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What is the name of your child in the dual language program?

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What is your relationship to the child? (circle one)   Parent   Guardian

          Other: _____

What grade is your child in at school? (circle one)   K   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8

How many years (counting this one) has your child been in a Dual Language Program? (circle one)   1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

What language do you speak most often with your child?   English   Spanish   Other: _____

I am committed to keeping my child in a dual language program if one is available: (check one)
    ◯ for this year only ◯ through 5th grade   ◯ through 8th grade   ◯ through 12th grade

How satisfied are you with the following about your child's learning in the dual language program?	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	No opportunity to observe
Reading/ writing in his/ her home language	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯
Reading/ writing in his/her second language	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯
Oral/ speaking in his/her home language	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯
Oral/ speaking in his/her second language	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯
Math ability	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯
Ability to relate to different people and cultures	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯
Attitude of your child towards school	◯	◯	◯	◯	◯

What does your child like best about the dual language program?

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Please return this to your child's school.
THANK YOU!!

How often do you and your child do the following things together in a typical school week?	Almost every day (6 or 7 times per week)	Several days (4 or 5 times per week)	A few days (1 to 3 days per week)	Never
Working on number skills	O	O	O	O
Working on reading/ writing skills in English	O	O	O	O
Working on reading/ writing skills in Spanish	O	O	O	O
Working on creative activities	O	O	O	O
Reading together in English	O	O	O	O
Reading together in Spanish	O	O	O	O
Storytelling	O	O	O	O
Working on homework for school	O	O	O	O

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opportunity to observe
My child is being sufficiently challenged academically.	O	O	O	O	O
The highest level of academic choices is available to my child.	O	O	O	O	O
The school environment welcomes, embraces and nourishes language learning.	O	O	O	O	O
The school environment appreciates the heritage and cultures of all students.	O	O	O	O	O
I am satisfied with the home-school communication.	O	O	O	O	O
I am satisfied with the native and academic language ability of teachers at my child's school.	O	O	O	O	O
I am satisfied with the bilingual skills of the support staff (e.g. secretaries, nurse, counselors, lunch lady, janitor, etc.)	O	O	O	O	O
My school provides adequate support for English speaking or Spanish speaking parents.	O	O	O	O	O

How well do you speak English?   O Very Well   O OK   O Just a little   O Not at all

How well do you read English?   O Very Well   O OK   O Just a little   O Not at all

How well do you write English?   O Very Well   O OK   O Just a little   O Not at all

How well do you speak Spanish?   O Very Well   O OK   O Just a little   O Not at all

How well do you read Spanish?   O Very Well   O OK   O Just a little   O Not at all

How well do you write Spanish?   O Very Well   O OK   O Just a little   O Not at all

What is the highest level of school you have completed?

O Up to high school   O Bachelor's Degree

O High School Diploma or GED   O Doctorate or Professional School Degree

O Associate's Degree

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THANK YOU!!

My child attends this school because
- ○ this is our neighborhood school.
- ○ we are attending on a transfer basis because of the dual language program.
- ○ Other: _____

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The school offered me the choice of dual language education for my child.   Yes   No

I chose dual language education for my child because I wanted my child to be: (check all that apply)
- ○ able to speak, read and write in two languages.   ○ comfortable relating to different people and cultures.
- ○ better able to relate to his/her heritage.   ○ with teachers that speak our language.
- ○ more successful in school.   ○ successful in a global society.
- ○ Other: _____

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How long does it take a child to learn a second language really well?
- ○ 1 or 2 years   ○ 3 or 4 years   ○ at least 5 years   ○ I don't know

Is there a middle school dual language program available for your child?   YES   NO   I don't know

Is there a high school dual language program available for your child?   YES   NO   I don't know

How often during this current school year have you:	All the Time	Frequently	A Few Times	Never
Attended special school events (e.g. Open House, Poecía y postre, Science Night, drama)	○	○	○	○
Spoken to the principal or program coordinator about the dual-language program	○	○	○	○
Chaperoned a field trip for your child's class	○	○	○	○
Attended a PTO or PTA meeting	○	○	○	○
Helped to organize special program events	○	○	○	○
Attended conferences / other educational opportunities on dual language	○	○	○	○
Spoken in favor of the program at your child's school	○	○	○	○
Volunteered in your child's classroom/ school.	○	○	○	○
Talked with other parents about school meetings and events	○	○	○	○
Spoken with your child's teacher about your child's progress.	○	○	○	○

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THANK YOU!!

Which of these things would make the biggest difference in your decision to participate in the activities above?
(check all that apply)

- ○ If my work schedule allowed it.
- ○ If I had transportation.
- ○ If I had child care for younger siblings.
- ○ If I felt more comfortable at school.
- ○ If more activities were offered in my own language.
- ○ If I knew more English.
- ○ If I knew more Spanish.
- ○ If school staff made more of an effort to invite me.
- ○ Other: _____

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Would you recommend your child's dual language program to other parents?   Yes   No

Why or why not?

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How satisfied are you with your child's dual language program overall?

- ○ Very satisfied
- ○ Somewhat satisfied
- ○ Somewhat dissatisfied
- ○ Very dissatisfied

Why did you choose that answer?

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