

2024-2025

Parent Information Meeting

First Grade-Spanish Immersion Program

April 17 OR 18, 2024

Cibolo Creek ES Library 6:00-7:00 pm





Agenda

- Welcome
- Introductions
- Spanish Immersion Program Overview
- Enrollment Procedures
- Parent Checklist
- Parent Commitment
- Questions and Answers

Spanish Immersion Program Team



Spanish Immersion Program Director: ***Triana Fontecha***

Spanish Immersion Specialist: **TBD**

CCES Principal: ***Sami Jo Gillette***

- Spanish Immersion Instructional Coach
Cibolo Creek ES: ***Brie Ortega***
- Spanish Immersion Campus Registrar
Cibolo Creek ES: ***Laura Acock***



The **VISION** of Spanish Immersion Program is to develop children into **bilingual, biliterate,** and **bicultural** students who **love learning** and are able to **think critically.**

Spanish Immersion Program Overview

- Spanish Immersion education is an effective approach to developing **language proficiency** and literacy in Spanish and English.
- Spanish Immersion is an enrichment language program for native English speakers (EPs) providing **academic content attainment** through Spanish and English beginning in First Grade.
- The Spanish Immersion Program in Boerne ISD promotes **bilingualism and biliteracy, grade level academic achievement and cross-cultural competence.**
- Students maintain their native language while adding another language; developing an understanding of another culture.



Spanish Immersion Program Overview



- As established by Boerne ISD class size guidelines, classes will be composed of native English Proficient (EP) students from the district's elementary schools.
- The building of classes is dependent on the number of student allocations per elementary campus.
- Spanish Immersion students are identified by district approved enrollment procedures and eligibility criteria.

Spanish Immersion Program Overview



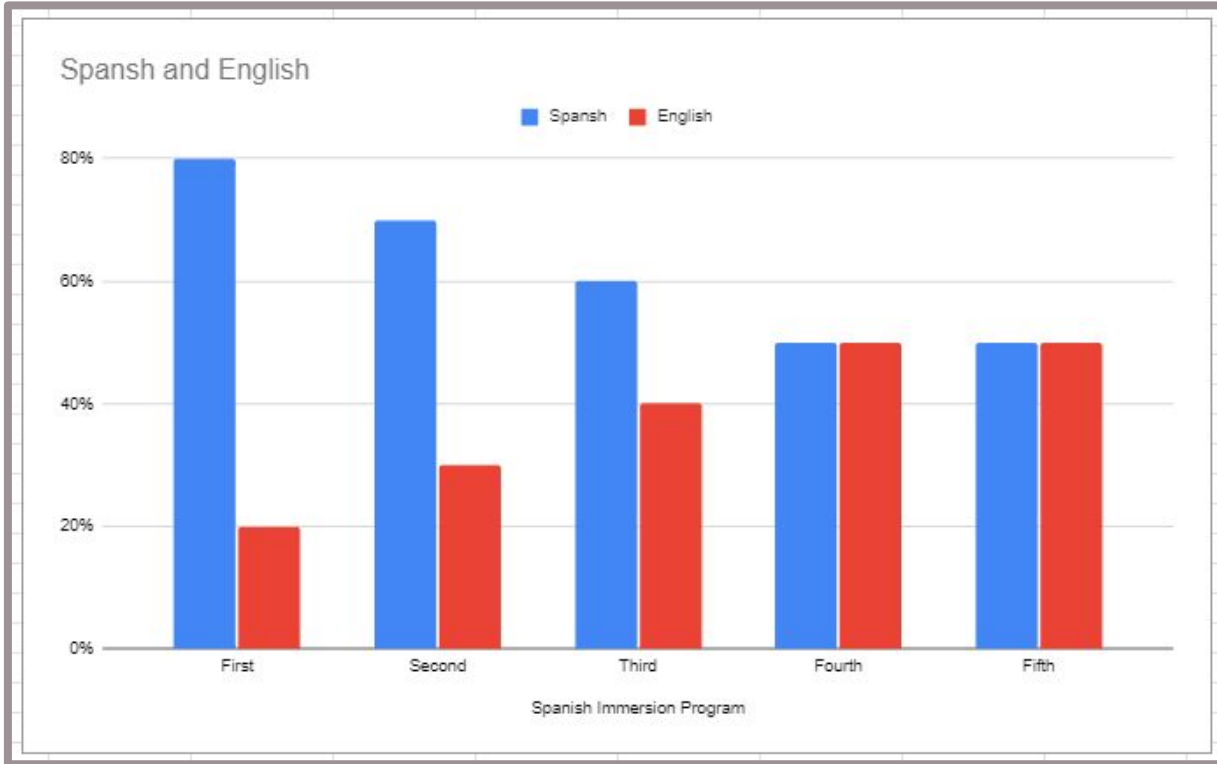
The Spanish Immersion Program in Boerne ISD:

- Is an educational program that provides instruction for native English speakers in Spanish and English.
- Follows the 80/20 framework, at the elementary school, with the Spanish Immersion Program.

This means that 80% of the instructional day is in Spanish and 20% is in English in First Grade. As the grades go up, the percentage of Spanish and English changes, with 70% in Spanish and 30% in English in second grade, 60% in Spanish and 40% in English in third grade, and 50% in Spanish and 50% in English is carried out until the end of fifth grade.

Language Distribution by Grade Level

80/20 Framework



Enrollment Procedures

- ✓ Complete the First Grade Registration online (Boerne ISD online registration opened March 9, 2024).
- ✓ Attend a Spanish Immersion Program Parent Information meeting (4/17/24 or 4/18/24)
- ✓ Complete and turn in Parent Checklist form by May 3, 2024.
- ✓ Complete and turn in Spanish Immersion Parent Commitment form to CCES campus registrar, Laura Acock by 5/31/24.





Eligibility Criteria

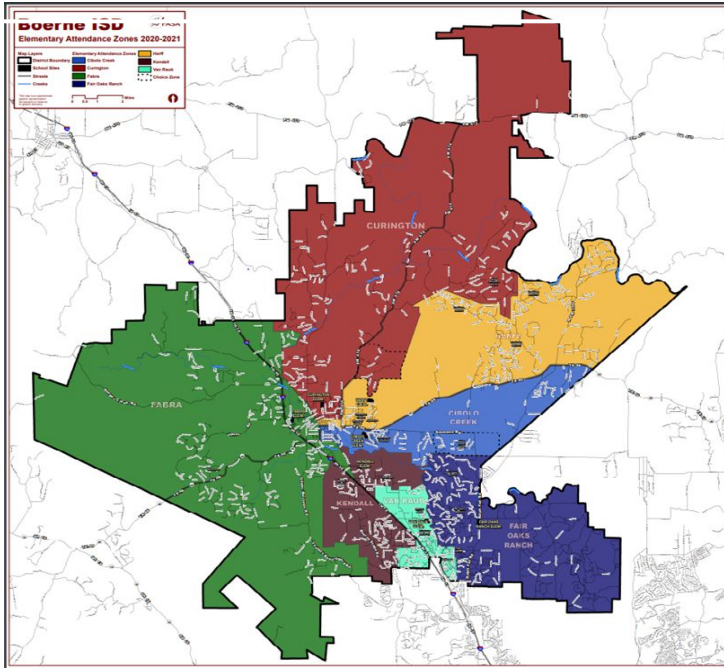
- Attend Kindergarten at a Boerne ISD Elementary Campus
(Enrolled by January 31st of the Kindergarten school year in Boerne)
- Attend school regularly and demonstrate punctuality
Compulsory attendance is enforced through §25.093 and Chapter 65, Texas Family Code.[\[4\]](#)
- Parent/Guardian attends Spanish Immersion Program Information Meeting

Participation in Dual Language Two-Way Immersion / Spanish Immersion Program



- Students **participating** in the Boerne ISD Dual Language Bilingual Two-Way Immersion Program in their Kindergarten year, will not be eligible to initiate the enrollment process and/or participate in the Spanish Immersion Program in their 1st grade year. Participation commitment in the Dual Language Bilingual Two-Way Immersion Program adheres to class composition standards provided by 19 TAC Chapter 89, Texas Education Agency.
- Students on the Boerne ISD Dual Language Bilingual Two-Way Immersion Program **WAITLIST** will be eligible to initiate the enrollment process in the Spanish Immersion Program of their 1st Grade school year, if the student meets the Boerne ISD eligibility requirements of the SIP.

2024-2025 Boerne ISD Spanish Immersion Campus



Cibolo Creek Elementary School
24-25 Year 1 First Grade (2 classes)

*Boerne ISD School Board met April 15, 2024.
Map update forthcoming.*

Enrollment Procedures

Parent Checklist
Deadline: May 3, 2024



Enrollment Procedures

The selection of English Proficient students (EP) may be determined by a lottery. You will be notified if there will be a need for a lottery.



Parent Timeline



2024-2025 Spanish Immersion Program First Grade Timeline

DATE	ACTION
March 9th	2024-2025 Boerne ISD Online Registration opens
April 5th	Principals receive flyers for Spanish Immersion First Grade 2024-2025
April 15th	April School Board Meeting to announce elementary school zones
April 17th OR 18th	Parents attend Spanish Immersion Parent Information Meeting at CCES Library.
May 3rd	Parent Checklist Deadline and determination if the Lottery will be needed for Spanish Immersion Program First Grade participants 2024-2025.
May 16th-20th	Campus Lotteries Conducted
May 20th	Lottery results go out: Waitlist letters and lottery acceptance Letters with Parent Commitment Forms
May 24th	All lottery acceptance letters, and Parent Commitment Forms are due back to CCES Registrar.

Enrollment Procedures

Parent Commitment Form

Deadline: May 24, 2024



Parental Support

Things to consider....

- **Teacher Recommendation** - Kindergarten teachers possess valuable insights into your child's potential for success in a challenging new environment.
- **Foundational Literacy**- Early literacy skills lay the groundwork for academic achievement, language immersion and lifelong learning.
- **Student Behavior** - Parents are encouraged to carefully consider behavior concerns. It's important to recognize that students facing language impairments or processing difficulties may encounter challenges.
- **Parental Commitment** -Regular attendance is essential for student success. Those who frequently miss classes or arrive late will struggle to keep pace with the demands of learning a new language and new academic content.

Parental Support

Parents are an integral part of the Spanish Immersion Program.

The success of students in any program depends on parental support.



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QUESTIONS

