



DVUSD DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION COMMITMENT FORM
2021-2022

Thank you for choosing the DVUSD Dual Language Immersion Program for your child! Dual language immersion (DLI) is a rich and challenging experience, but one with a lifetime of reward! In order to ensure that every student has a high probability of success, we would like parents to fully understand the commitment to the program.

As a parent/guardian of a child in the DVUSD Dual Language Immersion Program, I understand and commit to the following:

1. I understand that students will receive instruction in the target language for 50% of the day; and in English for 50% of the day. Math and science will be taught in the target language; English language arts and social studies will be taught in English.
2. I understand that parental involvement is highly correlated with success at school. I will support my child academically by showing interest in school, supervising homework, volunteering to assist teachers, providing tutoring when necessary, and communicating with the teacher.
3. I understand that parental involvement is also highly correlated with the development of my child's English proficiency. I will provide my child with experiences that will enhance their English language and literacy development, such as reading with my child in English daily for 20-30 minutes.
4. I understand I do not have to speak the target language. However, I will do my best to support my child in the development of the language at home by encouraging them to read in the target language and complete enrichment activities.
5. I understand that it is not unusual for children to experience some frustration and fatigue, particularly during the first few months of the program. I will encourage my child to persevere, and will praise my child for demonstrating grit and making progress.
6. I understand that learning a second language takes time. I am committed to keeping my child in DLI for the duration of the program, knowing that language proficiency takes many years.
7. I understand that students in the DLI program are held to the same academic standards and will participate in the same district and state assessments as any other student in DVUSD.
8. I understand that if my child has any academic/behavioral concerns, I must work with the teacher to positively resolve any issues. Appropriate interventions and strategies will be implemented if necessary. If documented interventions are unsuccessful, a formal conference will take place, perhaps resulting in reassignment to a full-day English classroom.
9. I understand that I must provide transportation to the school if I do not reside within the school's boundaries.

Signature _____ Date _____