



Jefferson Joint School District #251

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World Language Immersion Enrollment Selection and Waiting Lists

Kindergarten:

The application window for students who wish to enter the World Language Immersion Program (WLIP) in kindergarten runs from the first day of February through the last day of March prior to the student entering kindergarten. Parents must apply online through the district website. Online assistance will be provided upon request at the individual schools.

Applicants will be entered into the school selection pool for which they applied. Priority will be given as follows: 1.) In-district students who have siblings in the same WLIP for which they applied. 2.) Children of current full-time (30+ hours) employees of the Jefferson School District 251. 3.) Students who reside within the school's boundaries. 4.) Students who reside within the district's boundaries. 5.) Out of district students who have siblings in the same WLIP for which they applied. 6.) Students from outside the school district's boundaries.

If there are more applications submitted than available spots in the program, a selection will be held in a public setting about two weeks after the application deadline. Parents/guardians will be notified by the end of April with the selection results. Once available spots are filled, names will continue to be drawn to create a waiting list until all the names have been drawn. Parents may apply for enrollment in both language programs, however, waiting lists are school specific and application must be made individually to each school. These waiting lists will remain in effect until the end of the second trimester of 1st grade.

If at any point after the selection process a student surrenders their seat in the WLIP (in writing), the school will make three attempts to contact the next person on the waiting list to give them the opportunity to enroll. The student who surrendered their seat may reapply; readmission will be determined by the building principal.

Applications received after the application window through the second semester of 1st grade:

Applications received after the application window (the first day of February through the last day of March prior to the student entering kindergarten) will be processed after general selection is completed. Applications submitted after the application window will be placed on a waiting list based on the date and time the application was submitted in the following priority pools: 1.) Students who move into the district boundaries from another immersion program or coming from a native target language school. An immersion program is defined as an instructional program where at least 50% of the instructional day is in the target language. 2.) In-district students who have siblings in the same WLIP for which they applied. 3.) Children of current full-time (30+ hours) employees of the Jefferson School District 251. 4.) Students who reside within the school's boundaries. 5.) Students who reside within the district's boundaries. 6.) Out of district students who have siblings in the same WLIP for which they applied. 7.) Students from outside the school district's boundaries.

1st grade third trimester through 8th grade:

Parents/guardians may contact the building principal for their child to be considered for placement in the WLIP. The WLIP team (may include target language teachers, principal, parents, ESL director, Elementary Director, Secondary Director, WLIP coordinator, etc.) will take into consideration the student's current academic performance, previous exposure to and fluency (listening, speaking, reading, writing) in the target language. The student's ability to comprehend, speak, read, and write should be at or near that of their immersion peers. Screener to be determined by the district office.