

Dual Language Program Definitions

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Dual Language Program Models:

- **90-10:** Students begin in kindergarten with 90% of the school day in the program language and 10% in English. English instruction is increased each year by about 10% until students are learning for 50% of their time in each language.
- **80-20:** Students begin in kindergarten with 80% of the school day in the program language and 20% in English. English instruction is increased each year by about 10% until students are learning for 50% of their time in each language.
- **50-50:** Students receive 50% of instruction in the program language and 50% in English beginning in kindergarten and continuing throughout middle or high school.

Dual Language Program Types:

- **Two-way Dual Language** programs enroll a balanced number of multilingual learners who speak the program language at home and students who speak English at home.
- **One-way Dual Language** programs enroll mostly or all multilingual learners who speak the program language at home.
- **World Language Immersion** programs enroll mostly students who speak English at home, although some multilingual learners may participate.

Heritage Language Programs

Heritage Language Program Types:

- **World Language for Heritage Speakers** classes provide language and literacy instruction to students who are heritage speakers of the language often for one period per day (i.e. Spanish for Spanish Speakers).
- **Extended Day** heritage programs provide language and literacy support before or after school for one or more days per week for heritage speakers of the language.
- **Heritage Language Immersion** programs provide language, literacy, and/or content instruction for a portion of the school day for heritage speakers of the language and often start in elementary school (similar to one-way dual language but for less time).



Tribal Language Programs

Tribal Language is specific and special to the place and peoples who speak it, and as such is a crucial piece of culture for the First Peoples.

- **Tribal language programs** are designed in consultation and partnership with Washington's federally recognized Tribes and are taught by educators who hold a First Peoples' Language, Culture and Oral Tradition certificate and are certified by the Tribe.