

Data Collection: Dual, Heritage, and Tribal Language Programs

Action Required for Data Collection

The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) provides technical assistance and support related to the establishment, implementation, and expansion of Dual, Heritage, and Tribal Language education programs. Districts and local education agencies (LEAs) must report programs offered this school year in the Dual, Heritage, and Tribal Language data collection by **December 1, 2026**.

Instructions

On October 1, 2026, OSPI will send materials for the Dual, Heritage, and Tribal Language Programs data collection to each district. The district is responsible for completing this to inform OSPI of their Dual, Heritage, and Tribal Language Programs for 2026–27.

OSPI will provide a list of current programs and an opportunity to submit changes to programs or add new programs. The collection should be completed by someone with knowledge of Dual, Heritage, and Tribal Language Programs.

Key Dates

- **Collection opens:** October 1, 2026
- **Submission deadline:** December 1, 2026

Additional Information

Districts will access the collection through a single custom email sent out by the survey platform Alchemer. The email will contain the district name, survey link, and password. The primary contact will be OSPI's known program contact at that district. For any districts where emails bounce or OSPI does not have a program contact, OSPI will send the email to the District Data Security Manager (DDSM).

Additional data elements about Dual Language courses are collected in [CEDARS](#) in Elements D14 and D15.

How OSPI Uses the Data

OSPI collects these data to track progress and plan program support. Data are also used in OSPI's [Annual Snapshot on Student Opportunity and Outcomes](#) and published on the [Washington State Report Card](#) to ensure that families can make educational decisions informed by the latest programming.

Resources

- For general information on Dual and Heritage Language Programs, see [Dual Language Programs: What Families Should Know](#) and [Dual Language Education and Resources](#).
- For more specific information, see the [OSPI Dual Language Program Guide](#).
- For information on Tribal language programs, see the [OSPI Tribal Languages](#) webpage.

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