

School Year 2018-2019 Immersion Program Information

Each year, rising kindergarteners and first graders have the chance to participate in Immersion programs available in French, German, Japanese, Korean, and Spanish offered at: Bailey's, Fort Hunt, Fox Mill, Great Falls, Kent Gardens, Lake Anne, Laurel Ridge, London Towne, Orange Hunt, Powell, Ravensworth, and Rose Hill elementary schools through a county-wide lottery process. **Online registration for this lottery process opens on February 1, 2018.** Registration is open to all rising kindergarteners and first graders living in Fairfax County. A **SIS account** is required to complete the application. If a student is not currently enrolled in FCPS, registration at the base school for the upcoming school year will be required. Please be aware that FCPS does not provide transportation for students who reside outside the attendance area of the immersion schools and a **one-time** fee of \$100 must be paid upon acceptance of an out-of-boundary placement (see Notice 5922). This fee is new in 2018 and applies to new out-of-boundary placement acceptances only.

In the Immersion Program children spend half of the day in the target language learning math, science, and health. Target language arts skills are integrated in the content area skills. The other half of the day is spent learning in English focusing on English language arts and social studies. The instructional program follows the Fairfax County Public Schools Program of Studies at each grade level. Math, science, and health were chosen because they use manipulatives and concrete, hands-on activities, both of which help with the natural second language acquisition process. Students are able to connect the skills learned across both languages.

Program Sites and Informational Meetings

The schools listed below offer county-wide Immersion Program enrollment in 2018-2019. Parents are encouraged to attend one of the informational meetings before enrolling their child. Please see dates for all information meetings below.

| LANGUAGE | GRADES | LOCATION | DATE | TIME | SNOW DATE | TIME |
|----------|--------|--------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| French | 1 | Kent Gardens | Jan. 23, 2018 | 5:00 p.m. | Jan. 30, 2018 | 5:00 p.m. |
| German | 1 | Orange Hunt | Jan. 24, 2018 | 6:00 p.m. | Jan. 31, 2018 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Japanese | 1 | Fox Mill | Feb. 1, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. | Feb. 7, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. |
| Japanese | 1 | Great Falls | Jan. 24, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. | Feb. 7, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. |
| Korean | K & 1 | Colin Powell | Feb. 6, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. | Feb. 13, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. |
| Spanish | K & 1 | Bailey's | Feb. 5, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. | Feb. 12, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. |
| Spanish | 1 | Fort Hunt | Jan. 23, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. | Jan. 30, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. |
| Spanish | K & 1 | Lake Anne | Jan. 18, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. | Jan. 31, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. |
| Spanish | K & 1 | Laurel Ridge | Jan. 17, 2018 | 6:00 p.m. | Jan. 24, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Spanish | K & 1 | London Towne | Jan. 25, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. | Feb. 1, 2018 | 7:00 p.m. |
| Spanish | 1 | Ravensworth | Feb. 1, 2018 | 6:00 p.m. | Feb. 7, 2018 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Spanish | K & 1 | Rose Hill | Jan. 17, 2018 | 5:30 p.m. | Jan. 31, 2018 | 5:30 p.m. |

Enrollment criteria and procedures are available at: <https://www.fcps.edu/registration/world-language-immersion-programs-registration>.