



# Jefferson Joint School District #251

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## **World Language Immersion Enrollment Selection and Waiting Lists:**

### **Kindergarten through 1<sup>st</sup> Grade second trimester:**

Applications for the World Language Immersion Program (WLIP) *for the following school year* will be accepted from the first week of February through the third week of March. Late applications will only be considered if there are available seats in the program. 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.) Students coming from another immersion program or coming from a native target language school. 2.) Students who have siblings in the same WLIP for which they applied. Any siblings that apply for enrollment after the general selection is held will be treated the same as non-sibling applicants. 3.) Staff members who wish to enroll their students in the program. 4.) Students who reside within the school's boundary. 5.) Students who reside in the school district's boundaries. 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. Applications submitted after the selection has been held will be placed on a waiting list based on the date and time the application was submitted. Parents may apply for enrollment in both language programs, however, waiting lists are school specific and application must be made individually to each school. 1<sup>st</sup> grade waiting lists will be destroyed at the end of the second trimester of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 during the next application period; re-admission will be determined by the building principal.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Grade third trimester through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Parents/guardians may contact the building principal for their child to be considered for placement in the WLIP Program. Entering the WLIP after the second trimester of 1<sup>st</sup> grade without prior target language experience is extremely rare and will be considered on a case by case basis. The WLIP team (may include Target Language Teachers, Principal, Parent, ESL Director, Elementary Director) will take into consideration the student's current academic performance, previous exposure, and fluency (reading, writing, and speaking) in the target language. The ability to speak, read and write should be at or near that of their peers. Screener to be determined by the district office.