

Conejo Academy of Leadership and Language Immersion



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Vision

All students deserve an equitable, high-quality and safe education that honors and represents their linguistic, cultural and personal assets, in order to discover and develop their personal voice and realize their full potential.



Mission

Conejo Academy's mission is to provide an innovative and inclusive instructional model through a multilingual, multicultural and leadership lens that is built on respect, high expectations, continual reflection and synergy between students, staff, families and the community. Through this model, we will empower scholars to develop self-efficacy, empathy and excitement about learning, growing and impacting the global community.



Student Leader Profile

Conejo Academy is a multilingual and multicultural community of scholars who are

Leaders / **Líderes**

Explorers / **Exploradores**

Achievers / **Alcanzadores de metas**

Determined / **Determinados**

Enthusiastic / **Entusiasmados**

Receptive/ **Receptivos**

Supportive / **Solidarios**



Our Journey

Spring 2021

Fall 2021

2021-22 School Year

August 2022

June 2023

- Early Inquiry Stage:
Staff and District
Leadership

- Parent Presentation
on Benefits of Dual
Language Immersion

- Board Presentation

- Student Recruitment

- Staff Recruitment

- DLI Stakeholder Committee

- CABE Consultation

- Curriculum Mapping

- First Cohorts:
TK and Kindergarten

- New name for Conejo Elementary:
Conejo Academy of Leadership
and Language Immersion



Program Roll Out

Current Classrooms in the DLI Program			
Grade Levels	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Transitional Kindergarten (TK)	1	1	2
Kindergarten	3	2	2
First Grade	NA	3	2
Second Grade	NA	NA	3
Total Students	72	118	169

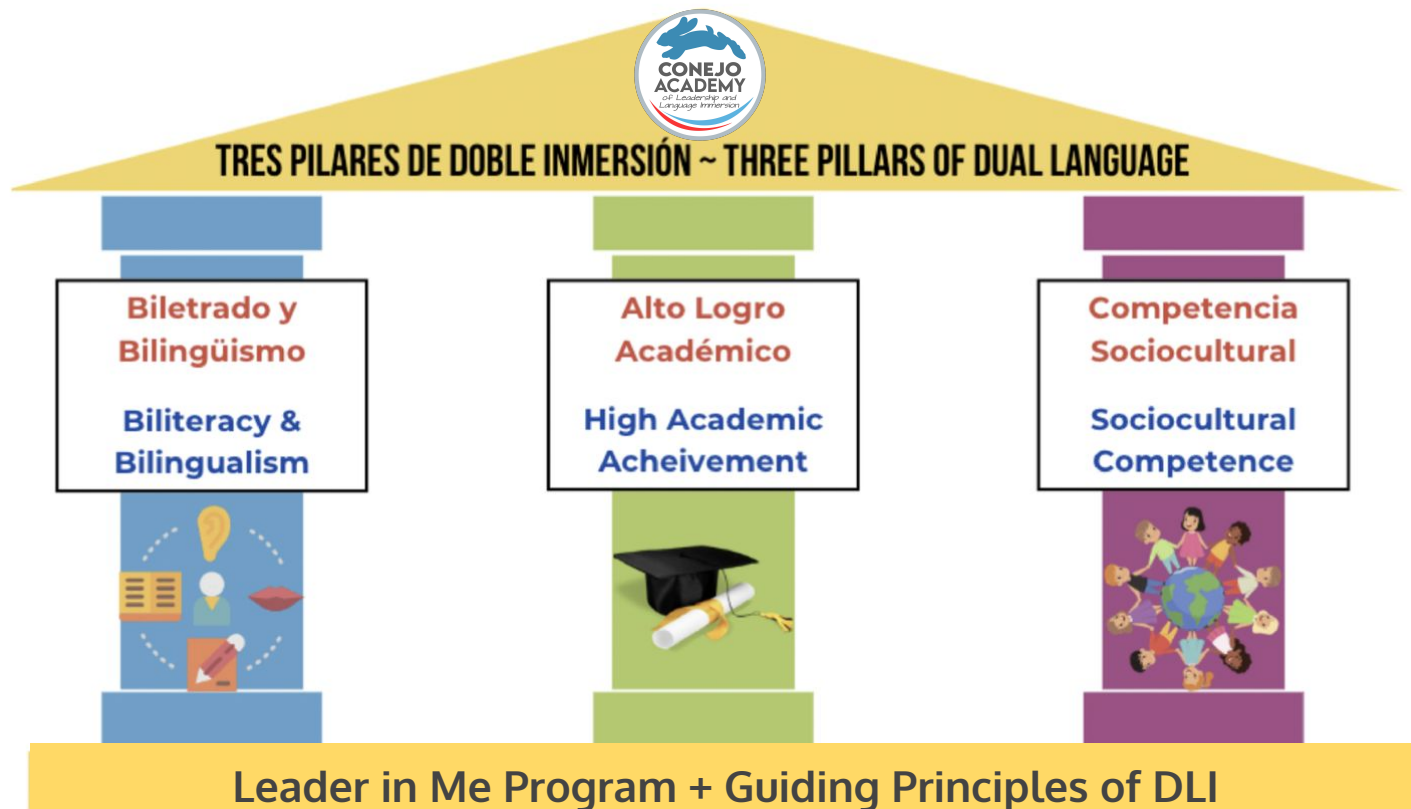
Schoolwide Implementation

Strong Foundation

- Leverage Assets
 - Staff
 - Families
 - Community Support
 - Leader in Me Program
- Begin with the End in Mind
 - Unified Identity - School Name
 - Shared Goals - Vision and Mission
 - Professional Development for All Staff
 - Proactive Staffing
 - Grade Level Articulation
 - Ongoing Stakeholder Committee



Goals of Dual Language Immersion



Bilingual and Biliterate

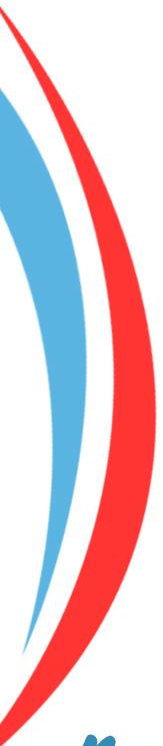
- 50 - 50 Model
 - Language and Academic Instruction in English and Spanish
 - Additive Learning
 - Bilingual Staff Across Campus
- Bilingual Communication
 - Families
 - Students
- Enrichment Opportunities in Both Languages
 - Science Lab
 - Physical Education
 - Dance
- Library Modernization
 - Students Take Home Two Books
 - Adding Diverse and Inclusive Books in Both Language



Sample Schedule - Schedule Alternates Weekly

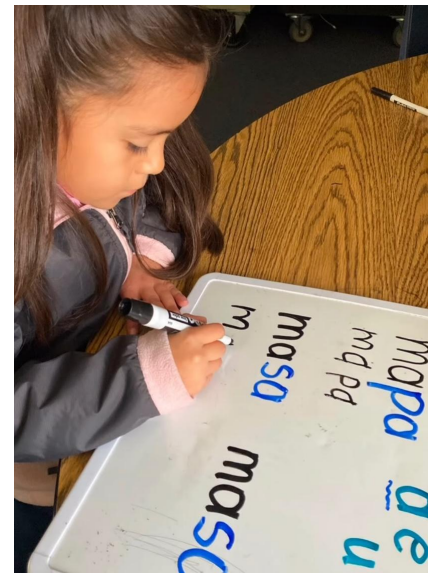
Kinder	Moons	Suns
8:15-9:35	Spanish Language Arts	English Language Arts
9:55-11:35	English Language Arts English Integrated Science or Social Studies	Spanish Language Arts Spanish Math
12:20-1:30	Spanish Language Arts Spanish Math	English Language Arts English Integrated Science or Social Studies





High Academic Achievement in Two Languages

- Professional Development
 - DLI Best Practices
 - CABE, ATDLE, La Cosecha Conferences
 - Ventura County Office of Education Dual Language Network
 - Teaching for Biliteracy
 - Guided Language Acquisition Design (GLAD)
 - Effective Strategies for Spanish Instruction
 - Universal Design for Learning (UDL)
 - Science of Reading
- Assessment in Both Languages
- Academic Supports in Two Languages
 - Hop Into TK/Kindergarten
 - Spanish Enrichment Summer School Families
 - Bilingual Paraeducators
- Bilingual Special Education Service Providers



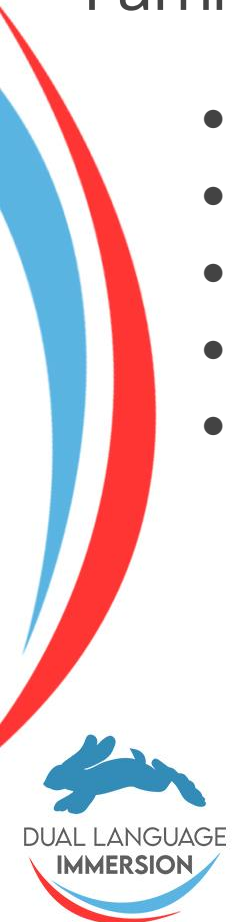
Sociocultural Competence

- Leadership Block
 - TK- 5 Cohorts
- Multicultural Perspective
 - Curriculum Integration
 - Diverse Book Titles
 - Family Involvement
 - Global Citizens Rotations and Celebration



Family Involvement

- Targeted Family Education
- Monthly Family Engagement Opportunities
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Focus on Inclusion and Learning from Each Other
- Bilingual Communication Support for Families



Parent Testimonial



Life Skills



TK	Cross Generation Connections
K	Riding Bikes, Shoe Tying
1st	Gardening, Table Etiquette
2nd	Cooking
3rd	Financial Literacy
4th	Entrepreneurship
5th	Public Speaking



Student Testimonial



Next Steps

- TK-5 Expansion
- Teaching for Biliteracy Professional Development
 - Biliteracy Units
- BeGLAD Certified Training
- Continuous Community Outreach
- Reflections and Refinement
- 6th Grade and Beyond





Questions?

Additional Opportunities at Conejo Academy

- Bilingual Counselors and Mental Health Associate
- Leader in Me School - Lighthouse School
 - Culture - Supportive, School Pride, Prosocial
 - Leadership - Engagement, Advocacy, Service Oriented
 - Academics - Personal Learning Goals
- Curriculum Based Field Trips
- After School Program and Enrichment
 - Volunteers
 - CRPD
 - STAR Program
- Life Skills at Every Grade Level





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ACADEMY**
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**Conejo Academy
of Leadership and Language Immersion**
is a TK-5 campus with a school-wide emphasis
on developing multilingual and multicultural
leaders.

We are home to the Conejo Valley's first dual
language immersion program, a research-
proven instructional approach that prepares
students to think, read and write in two
languages, resulting in students becoming
bilingual, biliterate, and multicultural.

SCHOOL TOURS:

Tours are available at 8:45am on the
following dates:

- * November 14, 2024
- * December 12, 2024
- * January 14, 2025
- * January 30, 2025
- * February 13, 2025
- * February 27, 2025
- * March 13, 2025
- * March 27, 2025
- * April 10, 2025
- * May 22, 2025



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