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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to inform you that our program for South Ranchito Dual Language Academy for the 2018-2019 school year will offer both a Spanish Dual Immersion strand and an English only strand. The Spanish Dual Immersion program will be offered in transitional kindergarten (TK) through third grade. As a second option for students, the English only strand will be available for students in grades K-5.

South Ranchito Dual Language Academy is a unique elementary school because it offers a 90/10 Spanish Dual Immersion educational model. Students learn to read, speak, and write in Spanish and English. Students become bilingual, biliterate, and multicultural, therefore providing them the opportunity to compete in global job markets where speaking more than one language can be a significant advantage. Additionally, when students learn a second language, they are exposed to different cultures and learn to appreciate the diversified world that we live in.

Our English only program offers a balanced literacy approach and supports students' development in English language arts (ELA), inclusive of reading, writing, speaking, listening, and the use of the English language in a variety of content areas. The ELA standards promote the literacy skills and concepts required for college and career readiness in multiple disciplines.

Applications for enrollment are currently being accepted for Spanish Dual Immersion transitional kindergarten and kindergarten at South Ranchito Dual Language Academy. English only classes in transitional kindergarten and kindergarten are open to students within the El Rancho Unified School District boundary. Our classes depend on student enrollment and are subject to change based on enrollment trends. El Rancho Unified School District takes pride in providing a quality education to all students.

Please feel free to contact Jacqueline Cardenas, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, at (562) 801-7332, if you have any questions in regards to the program that would be the best fit for your child.

Sincerely,

Karling Aguilera-Fort
Superintendent

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