

Wesley School hosts dual language family night

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Parents of dual language kindergarten students attending both Stone and Wesley schools gathered at Wesley School, 1111 W. Westwood Trail, Addison on Thursday, Jan. 17 for a Dual Language Family Night.

The workshop focused on providing strategies to help students learn sight words in the primary grades in Spanish and English.

The parents learned games and strategies to play at home with their children. Parents were also taught about different resources

available in the library, the community and at the school. The students received take-away games and books at their level in Spanish and English to encourage reading at home.

The Dual Language program was established at Wesley and Stone schools in the fall of 2017 to help students learn in English and Spanish to become bilingual and biliterate. Both schools have kindergarten classes made up of Spanish speakers and English speakers who are learning both languages.

According to Addison School District 4 administrators, the program will expand to first

grade for the school year 2018-2019.

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Dr. Lisa Black-Gomez, District 4's Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, addressing the families who attended the family night program. In the back is Ms. Lizette Tello, Dual Language Kindergarten teacher at Wesley School.