

## What is it?

A two-way bilingual program:

- includes native English and native Spanish speakers.
- teaches in English and in Spanish every day.
- helps all students become bilingual and biliterate.

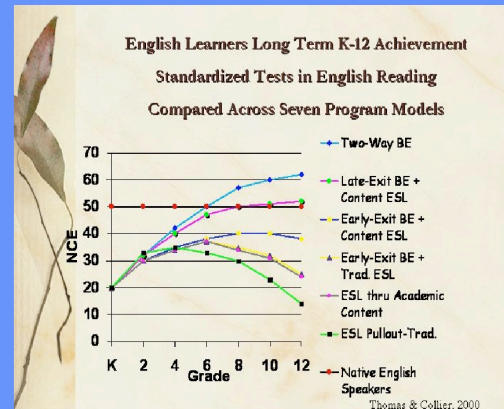


## How does it work?

- Students have one English teacher and one Spanish teacher
- Classes are mixed with English and Spanish speakers (except during L.A.)
- All students have Language Arts in their native language (English or Spanish)
- All students learn Math & Spanish and Science Social Studies, Art, & Music in English

## What does research say?

Research shows that students who learn to read and write in their native language first have an easier time learning to read and write in a second language. For that reason, all students will study reading and writing in their first language in Kindergarten and 1st grade while developing skills in the other language through math, science, social studies, and other subjects. Starting in 2nd grade, students will study half of the day in each language and all students will study reading and writing in English.



## Sample Schedule

9:00-9:20	- Welcome/Bienvenidos!
9:20-10:40	- Spanish or English Literacy
10:40-10:55	- Recess
10:55-12:00	- Spanish Content Block (Spanish Classroom)
12:00-12:30	- Lunch/Recess
12:30-1:30	- English Content Block (English Classroom)
1:30-2:20	- Choice Time
2:20-3:00	- PE, Art, or Library
3:00-3:05	- Good-bye/Adios!

## Why participate?

Students in bilingual programs...

- learn to read, write, and speak well in both languages.
- do better in ALL subjects on standardized tests.
- learn to work with people from different cultures and backgrounds.
- have more job opportunities and better pay.
- develop pride in their own languages and cultures.

A bilingual program is most effective when students stay in the program at least 5-6 years. Please think about making a commitment to keep your child in the program here at Concord throughout elementary school.