



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to share with you our commitment to fostering a rich and diverse educational environment that includes robust language learning opportunities for all students. In the Cobb County School District, we believe that learning a second language is not only an academic endeavor but also a vital skill that enhances cognitive abilities, cultural awareness, and global citizenship.

Our Vision for Language Learning

Our vision is to create a dynamic and inclusive language learning program that empowers students to communicate effectively in multiple languages. We aim to cultivate an appreciation for different cultures and perspectives, preparing our students to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world.

Benefits of Language Learning

Research has shown that learning a second language offers numerous benefits, including:

- **Enhanced Cognitive Skills:** Language learning improves memory, problem-solving abilities, and critical thinking.
- **Cultural Competence:** Students gain a deeper understanding and respect for other cultures, fostering empathy and global awareness.
- **Academic Achievement:** Bilingual students often perform better in other academic areas, including mathematics and reading.
- **Career Opportunities:** Proficiency in multiple languages opens doors to diverse career paths and global opportunities.

Our Programs

We offer a variety of language learning programs designed to meet the needs and interests of our students:

- **Dual Language Immersion:** Students learn in both English and a second language, developing fluency and literacy in both languages.
- **World Languages Courses:** We provide instruction in several languages, including Spanish, French, Japanese, Chinese, ASL, Latin, and more, from beginner to advanced levels.

Supporting Your Child's Language Learning Journey

We encourage you to support your child's language learning journey by:

- **Engaging in Language Activities:** Encourage your child to practice the language at home through reading, writing, and speaking.
- **Exploring Cultural Resources:** Utilize community resources such as cultural events, libraries, and online tools to enrich your child's learning experience.
- **Communicating with Teachers:** Stay in touch with your child's language teachers to monitor progress and seek guidance on how to support learning at home.

Thank you for partnering with us in this important endeavor. Together, we can inspire a lifelong love of language learning and cultural exploration.

Warm regards,

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