

Spanish Immersion

at Plymouth Middle School

The Spanish Immersion program at Plymouth Middle School gives your child the opportunity to continue to grow and learn in the Spanish language. Students in this program will:

- Improve written and oral communication in Spanish.
- Cover the same standards in the content areas of science and social studies as non-immersion students.
- Improve reading comprehension in Spanish.
- Build confidence in using Spanish.

Plymouth Middle School's Family Information Night each January features a presentation for Spanish Immersion families.



Spanish Immersion at a Glance

- Grades 6-8
- 3 immersion classes each day: social studies, science, reading and advanced Spanish
- Grade 7 and 8 blocked science and social studies instruction
- Immersion Pre-AP courses available by application

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Frequently Asked Questions



How do students enroll in the middle school Spanish Immersion program?

Students currently attending Robbinsdale Spanish Immersion School are *automatically assigned* to Plymouth Middle School where they can choose to continue their immersion experience. Bus transportation is available for middle school Spanish Immersion students from anywhere within the district boundaries.

Why should my student continue immersion?

With the three hours of language instruction per day, students continue developing their skills and learning new Spanish vocabulary. Spanish language fluency is often a distinguishing factor in both college acceptance and the workplace.

What about Pre-AP?

Immersion courses incorporate both Pre-AP and non Pre-AP students. The learning environment is structured so that learner objectives and academic rigor are differentiated by content, process, and product. Pre-AP students will do more rigorous work. Our students perform extremely well on high school Advanced Placement (AP) exams, most achieving college credit.

Why study science in Spanish?

Science vocabulary is Latin-based so most concepts are nearly identical in Spanish and English. More importantly, the wide range of concepts covered in science provides more opportunity for students to communicate in Spanish and enhance their vocabulary.

What is a typical day for a Spanish Immersion student at Plymouth Middle School?

PMS Immersion students receive 3 hours of instruction in Spanish per day. The Spanish Immersion language class in grade 6 focuses on grammar and reading; grade 7 focuses on reading; grade 8 focuses on grammar and culture. Science and social studies instruction are also delivered in Spanish. Students in grades 7 and 8 are taught in a block schedule, which allows for more in-depth coverage of content, greater instructional flexibility, and enhanced teacher-student relationships.

