



Early Education Dual Language Program

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SEAL Approach

(Sobrato Early Academic Language) is a powerful English Learner-focused approach.

- SEAL is inclusive of all students, creating an environment where children engage together in rigorous, joyful, content and language-rich learning.
- Research shows that when we treat English Learners' home language as an asset, and we design learning to meet their needs, they succeed academically.



Benefits of Dual Language

- All young children, if given adequate exposure to two languages, can acquire full competence in both languages.
- Early bilingualism confers benefits such as improved academic outcomes in school, and it enhances certain cognitive skills, such as executive functioning.
- Early exposure to a second language—even before 3 years of age—is related to better language skills and better academic performance in the future educational path of the child.



Why Dual Language and What to expect?

- The language development of DLLs often differs from that of monolingual children.
- Reflective of the amount and quality of language input.
- Differences are expected.



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DLLs Language Development and Enhancement

- Continued use of home language is enhanced when families
 - Have everyday interactions &
 - Have conversations
 - Tell stories
 - Sing songs
 - Read books
- These activities are important because of the wide variation in the language competency amongst DLLs

