

Highland Terrace PTA Sponsored Enrichment Program

Mandarin * Spanish

Polly-Glot Tots

LANGUAGE CLASSES FOR KIDS



Teaching Style

We teach foreign language just as any child would learn their own mother tongue: through Total Physical Response and Acquisition.

Children learn most naturally by physically having to respond to their teacher. By connecting the physical action to the concept, a child learns the new word. Children also learn language one utterance, approximation, word and sentence at a time. They acquire language bit by bit.

We use a variety of developmentally age-appropriate activities to introduce new themes and words. Games, music, crafts, stories and dance are featured in all of our classes to create an interactive and fun learning process!

Our Mission

Our mission is to offer engaging immersion classes for children and to foster a community of families interested in bringing foreign language and culture into their homes.

We strongly believe in the value of early language education. Research shows that:

- ◆ Learning a foreign language improves verbal and listening skills as well as analytical and math skills; more advanced reading skills and higher test scores in math and English literacy.
- ◆ The ability to communicate with people from another culture helps to build confidence as it is enjoyable and it also helps to build cultural connections that makes the world a better place.

Methodology

Our lively immersion classes integrate play, music, movement, and art to engage children and connect the foreign sounds and words to everyday items and activities.

We use a technique called 'Brain Dance' as a routine warm up each week in class. The brain dance is a series of fundamental movement patterns that wire the central nervous system laying the foundation for sensory-motor development and life long learning.

Our quarterly themes are brought to life through music, stories, and games that are often familiar to parents and easy to repeat in the home.

We provide weekly vocabulary and lyrics so parents can reinforce the language outside of class, whether or not the parent has previous language experience or fluency.

Children learn quickly! To support them, we encourage parents to learn along with their children.

Poly-Glot Language Classes offered are:

- ◆ **Spanish** — Wednesdays 8:15-9:00am
OR Fridays 8:15-9:00am
- ◆ **Mandarin**—Wednesdays 1:50pm - 2:40pm (on early release days) and 3:30 - 4:20pm (on full days).



Session 1 - 10 weeks - \$138:

Week of 10/14 to 12/9/19

*No classes from 11/25 to 11/29/19, Thanksgiving Break.

Session 2 - 10 weeks - \$138:

Week of 1/6 to 3/16/20

*No classes from 12/23/19 to 1/3/20 due to Holiday Break.

*No classes from 1/27 to 1/31/20 due to no school staff work day.

*No classes on the week of 2/17/20 due to Mid Winter break.

Session 3 - 10 weeks - \$138:

Week of 3/23 to 6/8/20

*No classes on the week of 4/20/20 due to Spring Break.

💰 =Payments to be delivered to the main office

Polly-Glot Tots Registration Form

Payments for 10 sessions is \$138.00 is to be delivered to the main office and can be made by cash or check to Polly-Glot Tots! Siblings get 10% discounts.

Choose language: (please circle)

Spanish / Mandarin

Wed / Fri (Spanish only)

Student Name: _____

Gender: _____

DOB: _____

Grade: _____

Teacher: _____

Email Address(es): _____

*Medical Concerns (Allergies, etc): _____

Parent/Guardian 1 Name: _____

Contact Number(s):

Relationship to child: _____

Cell #: _____

Home Or
Work: _____

Parent/Guardian 2 Name: _____

Cell #: _____

Home Or
Work: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Contact Number(s):

Relationship to child: _____

Cell #: _____

Home Or
Work: _____

*PICK-UP PLANS FOR AFTERNOON (PM Sessions only!): _____

Scholarships may be available. To apply, contact the HT PTA Treasurer at htptatreasurer@gmail.com.

Every class must have a parent chaperone in attendance!

Therefore every parent is expected to chaperone at least one class. Please choose an option below.

___ any day, assign me one (or two)

___ only on these dates _____

___ I will chaperone for the entire sessions and get 75% discount off tuition for 1 student!

Individuals with questions **or** requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in PTA's meetings or events are requested to contact Sayuri Gould at sayuri.gould@gmail.com or 206.390.9728 sufficiently in advance to allow for any necessary communications and/or accommodations.

Does your student require any special accommodations to participate in this program? YES / NO

If **YES**, please share this information with the PTA contact noted above. You should also complete an Authorization of Exchange of Medical Information found here: <http://schools.shorelineschools.org/student-service/district-resources>