



Mercer Island School 2011-2012 Academic Year Program

We are very excited to bring language to Mercer Island elementary schools! Our classes are designed to instill a love of language and culture in children. Our highly trained, dynamic, native-speaking teachers lead small classes in fun activities in the target language—Mandarin, Spanish or French—with a focus on communicating. It's a natural way to engage and learn.

CLASSES:

Through games and activities, music, movement and art, we learn practical, every-day language and communication skills. All classes are taught entirely in the target language and accommodate a range of levels. Each session we cover different thematic units, so there is always new material to learn. Classes are an hour long and offered before and after-school.

For K-2nd Graders:

We welcome brand new learners as well as those with language learning experience.

For 3rd-5th Graders - Beginner Plus and Intermediate-Advanced:

Children who are new to the language or who want to solidify their communication skills should choose a Beginner Plus class. There will be lots of new material for everyone. Children who have had previous exposure to the target language and are confident communicators should choose Intermediate-Advanced.

LOCATIONS:

We offer class options at each school and offer additional flexibility through busing. (Classes may be consolidated to meet minimum enrollment numbers.)

In the morning, busing is available from Island Park and West Mercer to all schools. In the morning there is also limited busing from Lakeridge to West Mercer. In the afternoons, busing is available to Island Park from all schools.

Detailed information on room location will be sent the week prior to classes beginning once we have received the information from the schools.

PRICING:

Our academic year program begins on October 3, 2011 and runs through June 4, 2012. Classes are held only on days when school is held. Please note: there are no classes the week of Thanksgiving.

Come twice/weekly = 4 payments of \$220

Come once/weekly = 4 payments of \$110

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:

We welcome volunteers in the classroom. If you are interested in volunteer opportunities please write us at info@spongeschool.com

SIGNING UP:

You can enroll online on our website! We've tried to make it as intuitive as possible. We accept eChecks and credit cards for payment. eCheck is a simple process that just requires the information at the bottom of your checks. We appreciate eCheck payments since they keep our expenses and your costs down.



Schedule - West Mercer

K-2nd Grades

Mandarin	Monday & Friday 8:00 am
Spanish	Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am

3rd-5th Grades

French– Beginner-Plus	Friday 8:00 am
Mandarin– Intermediate	Monday & Friday 8:00 am
Mandarin– Advanced	Wednesday & Friday 8:00 am
Spanish– Intermediate-Advanced	Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am

For additional options, see the Island Park & Lakeridge (morning only) schedule and consider busing your student.



Schedule - Island Park

K-2nd Grades

French	Monday & Wednesday 8:00am
Mandarin	Monday & Wednesday 8:00am
Spanish	Monday 2:00pm
Spanish	Friday 8:00 am

3rd-5th Grades

French— Intermediate-Advanced	Tuesday & Thursday 8:00am
Spanish— Beginner-Plus	Friday 8:00 am

For additional before-school options, see the West Mercer schedule and consider busing your student.



Schedule - Lakeridge

K-2nd Grades

Mandarin	Tuesday & Thursday 8:00am
Spanish	Monday 2:00 pm
Spanish	Monday & Wednesday 8:00am

3rd-5th Grades

Mandarin– Beginner Plus	Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am
Spanish– Beginner Plus	Monday 2:00 pm
Spanish– Beginner Plus	Monday & Wednesday 8:00 am

For additional options, see the Island Park & West Mercer schedules and consider busing your student.