

## McWhorter Elementary – Dual Language Campus

McWhorter's Gómez and Gómez Dual Language Program serves Pre-K through 5th grade students. The goal of the program is for all students to be bi-literate by the end of 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The full participation of our parents and students from Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade in this highly supportive, safe, rigorous and caring learning environment greatly increases the achievement of the goal. As well as working to become bilingual and bi-literate, our students also develop cultural awareness, self-confidence and leadership skills. All math instruction is delivered in English. All reading instruction is in the student's native language for Pre-K – 1<sup>st</sup> graders. In second grade all students begin receiving reading instruction in Spanish and in English. Science and Social Studies are taught in Spanish across all grade levels.

### McWhorter Dual Language Goals:

- Develop high levels of linguistic proficiency in two languages
- Develop high academic proficiency (content area) in two languages
- Development positive cross-cultural attitudes; biculturalism
- Development of bilingualism and bi-literacy
- Achieve grade level academic performance in two languages
- Achieve Learning Advantages (Future Academic Success)
- Achieve Economic Advantages (Job Opportunities)

Witness our students becoming bilingual, bi-literate and bicultural. Please visit our campus and experience dual language education at its finest. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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