Field Elementary School - Mandarin Dual Language

Location
3600 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Pasadena, CA  91107

School Contact
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School Leadership
Principal:  Ana Maria (Ria) Apodaca
Curriculum and Language Development Resource Teacher:  
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Mandarin Program Teacher on Special Assignment:  Tina Chan

Facts About Our School
Grades Served:  Pre-K -5
Number of Students:  530

School Hours:
Office:  8:00 – 4:30
Instruction:
Mon:  8:45 am- 1:30 pm
Tues-Fri:  8:45 am- 3:10 pm

Awards
- California Distinguished School 2010
- Green Team Recognition by Grades of Green 2015
- KPCC featured story on June 5, 2015

What Makes Our School Unique?
Research shows that early acquisition of a foreign language impacts academic success and early acquisition of Mandarin and Simplified Chinese increases cognitive development.  Our Mandarin Dual Language Immersion Program (MDLIP) is an aggressive approach towards building literacy in Mandarin, Simplified Chinese, and English through the 90/10 model—90% of Kindergarten instruction is in Mandarin and Simplified Chinese and 10% is in English. Additional components of our MDLIP include:

a. Pre-Kindergarten to Fifth Grade classes
b. Students learn academic core content in Mandarin, Simplified Chinese,
c. Formative and Summative Assessments conducted in both languages.
d. Sister school relationship with an elementary school in Beijing, China.

What Does Our School Offer?
Our school offers the Farm to School Program with instruction occurring in the classroom and in the school garden; Mandarin Dual Language Immersion Program, Innovation Club, Chess Club, STEAM enrichment instruction, Technology Integration Program.

Community and Business Partners
After Hours Rotary Club, First Church of the Nazarene, Global Club of PCC, La Salle High School

Attendance Area and Open Enrollment
A Preference Zone has been established for families living in the immediate surrounding area of Field Elementary. Visit www.pusd.us to see if your family resides in the attendance area. Families not residing in the school’s area may apply through the District’s annual Open Enrollment process. Please check openenrollment.info for more information, including how to apply online.
Before and After School Options

Morning: LEARNS Childcare (7:00-8:45am)

After school: LEARNS, City of Pasadena Adventure Program, AA Academy for Mandarin enrichment, Can Do Kids Club (at Paz Naz)

Parent Options

School Site Council, English Language Advisory Committee, Parent Teacher Association, Dual Language Parent Advisory Committee, GATE Parent Advisory Committee, and African American Parent Advisory Committee.

Club Options


Facts About Our School

School Colors: Red and White

School Mascot: Field Mouse

School Motto: Success is Expected

Dress Code: We encourage our students to wear: Long pants, walking (right above the knee) shorts, jumpers, skirts or skorts in navy blue or khaki brown; Polo shirts or collared blouses in solid (one) color--white, red, dark blue and light blue; closed toe shoes

Community Leadership

School Board Representative: Larry Torres

City Council Representative: Gene Masuda

Top 5 Reasons to Choose Field Elementary

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2. Student Leadership. At Field Elementary School, we are “Learning Today. Leading Tomorrow.” We teach our students leadership skills to prepare them for success in middle school, high school, and post graduation. Opportunities for student leadership include: Safe Schools Ambassadors, Student Government, Science Olympiad Team, and Math Field Day Team

3. Farm-to-School Program - There is growing interest in connecting fresh and local foods with school programs. Farm-to-School empowers children and their families to make informed food choices while strengthening the local economy and contributing to vibrant communities. With childhood obesity, diabetes, and other nutrition-related diseases on the rise, parents and educators want to see children eating healthier foods. Our farm-to-school program addresses both of these community concerns by bringing locally grown foods into our school. Field Elementary has a 12,000 square foot vegetable garden and a 30-tree fruit orchard for our students. Classroom instruction and garden projects – Not only do we nourish our students with healthy food, we also bring our garden into the classroom. Students learn the life cycle of plants, elements of the farming industry, and how food gets to our tables.

4. Technology Integration Program: Technology is everywhere, entwined in almost every part of our lives. It affects how we shop, socialize, connect, play, and--most importantly--learn. As our nation becomes increasingly more technology-dependent, it is necessary that students become tech-savvy if they are to become successful citizens. At Field Elementary, we emphasize technology integration in all of our grade levels through the use of Chromebooks, IMacs, IPods, document cameras, and projectors.

5. Parent Involvement: In study after study, researchers discover how important it is for parents to be actively involved in their child’s education. When parents are involved in their children’s education at home, the children do better in school. And when parents are involved in school, children go farther in school — and the schools they attend improve. At Field Elementary, we have a 400-member PTA, an Annual Fund to support classroom instruction, technology integration program, library services, and many parent leadership opportunities.