

## Our Mission:

The goal of the Vietnamese Bilingual Program at Keller ISD is to utilize Bilingual and ESL instructional approaches along with additional instruction in Vietnamese to ensure student success in school and in the future. We want our students to be truly bilingual in both languages. It is also our goal to assist families in supporting the learning of their children and to help with adjustment to life in the United States.

We wish to build a learning community as well as a strong cultural community for the Vietnamese families in Keller ISD.



A different language is a different vision of life.  
~Federico Fellini

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please contact your  
local school office.

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## **Vietnamese Bilingual Program**

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## Questions and Answers:

### Why should I enroll my student in the Vietnamese Bilingual Program?

- Your child will receive additional support in and out of the classroom. The child will have a second teacher to ensure that he/she is learning at his/her level. The bilingual teacher will also provide individual and small group instruction that will allow the special needs of each individual child to be met.
- Additional tutoring may also be provided at the discretion of the teacher.
- VB students also qualify for other programs including summer school for Pre-K and Kindergarten.
- VB students are able to retain their Vietnamese culture and language. They possess a pride in their heritage.
- Parents receive additional support as well including:
  - ◇ VB teacher presence at conferences
  - ◇ Translation services
  - ◇ References to local support programs
  - ◇ Vietnamese materials, newspapers and magazines
  - ◇ A supportive network of Vietnamese parents

### What will the VB program entail?

- Students will be in a classroom with a regular classroom teacher and a mix of students. The VB teacher will help students in the classroom and/or pullout students during the day (for about 30 minutes a day) to work on specific subjects. The teacher will work with students in Vietnamese and English, as needed. Pullout services are based on the current material being taught in the home room, areas the student is struggling in, and Vietnamese language lessons.

### Do students receive the same instruction and learn the same skills as students in the regular program?

- The VB teacher will use the same guidelines (TEKS) and grade-level content to teach. Additional content, such as Vietnamese language and culture will also be taught.

### Is this an After School program?

- No. Students receive instruction during the school day. After school tutoring may be offered at the discretion of the bilingual teacher, but is not mandatory.

### How Can I Help?

- Parents are always needed to volunteer to translate written material sent home. We also recommend that parents continue to converse with children in Vietnamese at home. This enables the child to build a strong Vietnamese vocabulary to base their English learning upon.

### What if my child's home campus is not Parkview Elementary?

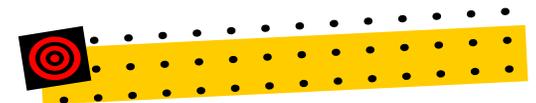
- Buses are provided for VB students within the district to Parkview Elementary.

### How can my child qualify?

- After an oral language proficiency test is given in English, a committee will determine if the child needs additional bilingual support. The home language survey must also state that the child's native language is Vietnamese.

### How can my child exit the VB program?

- Students may be exited out of the program after passing the STAAR reading test in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Also, a proficiency test may also determine that the child's English fluency level is such that the child does not need the support of a bilingual program.



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