



World Language Middle School FAQ for Families



Question	Response
Why is Columbus City Schools creating this new language immersion PK-12 Pathway?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fulfills a promise to the community to ensure students who begin in PreK/K at language immersion schools have access to immersion programming in middle school (grades 6-8) and AP/advanced language coursework in grades 9-12• Creates a home for middle school English-language learners
What makes World Language Middle School (WLMS) different from a typical CCS middle school?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• At least 30% of the student day is taught in target language (Spanish, French, or English); potential for up to 40% of day in foreign language based on student's class selection and focus.• Prepares students for advanced coursework in target language as students continue through the pathway.
What is the next step in the pathway for students attending WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students attending the World Language Middle School will have the opportunity to attend International High School, which is language-focused. We are securing the feeder pattern model.
Who can attend WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students who attend Columbus Spanish Immersion Academy and Ecole Kenwood French Immersion are granted a priority reservation through the School Choice Lottery to attend WLMS.• WLMS is also the educational home for students entering the country as newcomers in grades 6-8 who speak a home language other than English (based on the Home Language Survey at enrollment) OR <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students who apply through the Columbus City Schools Lottery AND are able to demonstrate proficiency in: a heritage language (including currently enrolled ESL students across the district); and/or as demonstrated by the ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Language (AAPL) exam.
How will the school be helping students to integrate from multiple	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students will share multiple classes throughout the school day. There will be multiple opportunities for students to integrate in extracurricular activities as

schools?	well clubs.
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Sample Schedule, by Language of Instruction

What would be scheduled in a 'typical' day for a student matriculating to WLMS from:

- CSIA or Ecole Kenwood

This is a sample schedule for a heritage-English Speaking student who has been learning Spanish or French as a Target Language.

Period	Time	Class	Language of Instruction
Period 1	7:30-8:26	ELA	English
Period 2	8:29 - 9:21	Social Studies	Spanish/French
Period 3	9:24 - 10:10	Culture and Media Studies	Spanish/French
Period 4	10:13 - 11:02	Lunch	Many languages
Period 5	11:05 - 11:54	Math	English
Period 6	11:57 - 12:46	French Language Arts	Spanish/French
Period 7	12:49 - 1:38	Drama	English
Period 8	1:41 - 2:30	Science	English

What would be scheduled on a 'typical' day for a student matriculating to WLMS as a new English-Language Learner?

This is a sample schedule for a heritage-Spanish Speaking student who is learning English as a Target Language.

Period	Time	Class	Language of Instruction
Period 1	7:30-8:26	ELA - Pull-out TESOL	English (Bilingual instructor who will translanguage)
Period 2	8:29 - 9:21	Heritage Spanish Math*	Spanish (Bilingual instructor

			who will translanguage)
Period 3	9:24 - 10:10	Social Studies	Spanish
Period 4	10:13 - 11:02	Lunch	
Period 5	11:05 - 11:54	PE	English (Bilingual instructor who will translanguage)
Period 6	11:57 - 12:46	Culture & Media Studies	Spanish
Period 7	12:49 - 1:38	Science	English (Bilingual instructor who will translanguage)
Period 8	1:41 - 2:30	Heritage Spanish Language Arts	Spanish

Core Curriculum

What will the Spanish and French Language Arts courses at WLMS look like?

- We will follow the CCS foreign language curriculum, allowing our teachers to be creative as they design the lessons that are relatable to our students and school model.

Who is developing the Spanish and French curriculum for WLMS?

- Founding Kenwood teacher and retired CCS Educator Pascale Scoyez and current EK teacher Emma Butler have been hired by CCS to develop and write the French Language Arts and Social Studies curriculum
- CSIA teacher Miguel Daza has been hired to develop and write the Spanish Language Arts and Social Studies curriculum.
- Projected completion is June 2020.

What will be the special features of the Social Studies curriculum (taught in target language)?

- This curriculum will be developed in the target language. We are working on making this curriculum international and relatable.

<p>What science courses will be offered at WLMS?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WLMS will offer the standard CCS science curriculum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grade 6: Please click here ○ Grade 7: Please click here ○ Grade 8: Please click here ● Science will follow Ohio State Standards and developed from existing CCS curriculums
<p>What math courses will be offered at WLMS?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Math 6, Math 7, Math 8 ● Will WLMS offer <u>Compacted Math 7/8</u>? Meeting with District level Curriculum to make this decision. ● Will WLMS offer Algebra I? Yes. this will depend on the number of students that need this class but it will be offered in some capacity if we cannot fill up an entire roster.
<p>What electives will be offered to WLMS students?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Standard CCS electives: Art; Band; Choir; Drama; Technology; PE/Health ● Unique WLMS electives: Culture and Media Studies in Target Language
<p>Are there plans for integrating international themes into instructional content delivered in English? (ie, in ELA, music, etc)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yes, this will be in the forefront of our model. We are also developing a library collection that will promote our students' engagement with international themes.
<p>Are there plans to add an International Baccalaureate program to the immersion pathway?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We are looking into the IB program. I will provide more information regarding this once we have more meetings regarding this program.
<p>Extra-Curricular Opportunities</p>	
<p>What athletics will be offered at WLMS?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anticipated Athletics include: Volleyball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Softball, Baseball, and Track.
<p>What types of clubs will be offered at WLMS?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anticipated Clubs include: World Language club, also looking into what other clubs our school community will want as well as support.

Services for Special Populations	
What services from Columbus Global Academy will be available at WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All services and supports previously offered through Columbus Global Academy, will be available at WLMS. ● This includes access to bilingual and/or TESOL-endorsed educators ● CRIS (Community Refugee & Immigration Services) will move over and continue working with out ESL populations as well as other organizations.
What special needs services will be offered at WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WLMS will offer an MD unit that will allow MD students at Ecole Kenwood to be promoted together. ● IEPs and 504s will be honored as they are in any other educational setting.
Will gifted services be offered at WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yes, we are currently working with the gifted department to determine gifted services and enrichment programming. More information to come. ● Will gifted education be integrated into an internationally-oriented curriculum? Yes. As our Slogan indicates One Mission, One Vision, One School, One Movement.
School and Staff Profile	
What is the anticipated enrollment for WLMS, overall and from each feeder school?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Projected enrollment for year 1 is 385; year 2 is 420. ● In the first year, about two-thirds of students will come from either CSIA or Ecole Kenwood, and about one-third from Global.
What will be the language background of WLMS teachers and staff?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We are currently looking for Bilingual teachers. We are looking for Spanish and French however, we are open to other languages to give the full international feel.

Logistics	
What are the lottery deadlines for applying to WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current CSIA and Kenwood families should check the Parent Portal to accept their reserved seat. • Directions for applying for a Reservation • Deadline for Lottery can be found here please click here
Where will WLMS be located?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WLMS will be located at 330 East Dominion Blvd (the former Dominion Middle School building)
What improvements are being made to the future WLMS building?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCS is updating the HVAC (including adding AC); the floors; wiring; windows, masonry work. • June 2020 is the projected date for the project to be complete. • Highlights of Modern Library, other user-experience improvements
Will transportation (bussing) be provided to WLMS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes. Transportation will be provided to WLMS, consistent with CCS transportation policy for city-wide lottery schools.
Will WLMS students wear uniforms?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no plans for a uniform at this time.
In-person tours are clearly not possible because of COVID. Will a video tour be made available?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, we are in the process of working with Marketing and Branding to begin Video Tours, when the construction project is complete or safe for us to begin doing so.