

## Who we are...

### Mission

Our mission is to ensure that all speakers of languages other than English achieve high academic standards and attain high levels of proficiency in English in all four language domains.

### Core Beliefs

Academic English proficiency is a critical component for success. English Language Learners (ELLs) must not only be able to converse with classmates and teachers, but also be able to complete high level academic assignments in English. The needs of the whole child are critical; therefore, we believe in implementing comprehensive systems to support the students.

Instruction will utilize best practices and reflect the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and Klein ISD curriculum guidelines in all academic areas.

All students will experience rigorous, complex, and meaningful learning that promotes divergent thinking and empowers them to contribute positively to society.

We believe that instruction in the native language assures that students attain grade-level cognitive skills while learning English without lagging behind their peers.

## Our Programs

### Schools which offer ESL only

#### Elementary Schools

Benignus	Haude	Mittelstadt
Frank	Kuehnle	Metzler
Hassler	Lemm	Krahn
Benfer	Theiss	

#### Intermediate Schools

Doerre	Kleb	Klein
Krimmel	Hildebrandt	Schindwolf
Strack	Ulrich	Wunderlich

#### High Schools

Klein Collins	Klein HS	Klein Forest
Klein Oak	Vistas Program	

### Schools which offer bilingual education and ESL

Brill	Schultz	Kaiser
Epps Island	Ehrhardt	Kreinhop
Eiland	Korhville	Roth
Klenk	Nitsch	McDougle
Blackshear	Northampton	Zwink
Bernshausen	Greenwood Forest	
Grace England	(PK)	

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## **Transitional Bilingual Program** (PreK – 5)



Klein ISD offers a bilingual program which serves Spanish-speaking students who have been identified as English Language Learners (ELLs).

Our bilingual program provides instruction in Spanish and English in the areas of literacy and academic content. Non-academic subjects such as art, music and physical education are taught in English only.

In our bilingual program, the role of the first language is to facilitate access to the curriculum while students learn English. As students move from grade to grade, time of instruction given in English increases, reaching a total immersion in the language.

## **English as a Second Language (ESL)** (PreK – 12)

ESL is an intensive program of teaching English to develop proficiency in language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.

Student eligibility for the program is determined through the administration of a test of oral language proficiency, and parental permission to participate in the program is required. All instruction is in English and uses the grade-level Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and the English Language Proficiency Standards (ELPS).



In Klein ISD it is our expectation that all students, including students enrolled in the bilingual or English as a Second Language (ESL) program, obtain higher achievement on state standards. The district curriculum is based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

The teachers of our bilingual and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs are



trained in how to plan and provide an excellent education for students whose first language is not English.

The curriculum and instruction of bilingual and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs are based on appropriate materials and strategies to accelerate the development of comprehension and communication in English.