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# French Dual Language Fund

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# What are French Dual Language Programs?

French dual language programs offer bilingual education and an exceptional multicultural learning environment to children in public schools across the United States.



With classes conducted in both French and English, these programs draw from the best educational models that both countries have to offer.

In recent years, demand for French dual language education in the United States has been on the rise. Today, more than 29,000 students benefit from a public bilingual education with more than 150 French dual language and immersion programs in 88 cities nationwide.

*As the world becomes more interconnected, it is increasingly apparent that bilingualism is the rule and not the exception.*

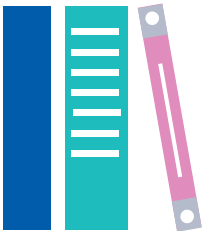
—Dr. Ellen Bialystok, Distinguished Research Professor of Psychology at York University





# What is the French Dual Language Fund?

The French Dual Language Fund was created by the French Embassy and its partners in response to the increasing demand for dual language education programs in public schools, where funds for such programs are often extremely limited.



The French Dual Language Fund aims to address the most critical needs of the network, including teacher training and retention, access to French pedagogical resources, and native speaker presence in classrooms, while supporting the expansion of new programs in public schools across the US.

The Fund's three main initiatives include:

- **GRANTS:** offer financial support to schools through annual grants that target their most pressing needs
- **SCHOLARSHIPS:** provide scholarships to aspiring bilingual teachers as they pursue specialized graduate programs and continuing education
- **FRENCH TEACHING INTERNS:** facilitate the recruitment of teaching interns from France

*Monolingualism is the illiteracy of the 21st century.*

—**Gregg Roberts**, French Dual Language Fund advisor, Senior Fellow at the American Councils Research Center, former World Language & Dual Language Immersion Specialist for the Utah State Board of Education



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Support pedagogical projects in  
**200 schools**  
(\$150,000/year in grants)



Allocate scholarships for  
**120 future teachers**  
(\$180,000/year in scholarships)



Fund  
**75 interns**  
from France  
(\$70,000/year in stipends)

We have currently raised \$1.4 million of our goal of \$2 million to support these initiatives over the next five years. Additional support will enable us to further expand the impact of bilingual education nationwide.

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