

# Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion

2017-2018 Kindergarten Enrollment



## **What is Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion?**

Spanish Immersion is an educational model where students learn to speak Spanish as a second language during their elementary experience. Students who are non-Spanish speakers at home learn the District's elementary curriculum and the Spanish language by being immersed in the language at school. The immersion program follows the same curriculum as all other District 833 elementary schools and shares the same learning outcomes. The difference is that the classroom instruction for reading, writing, math, science and social studies is delivered in Spanish. The classroom teachers are fluent in Spanish and are licensed elementary teachers. Learning opportunities outside of the regular classroom, such as physical education, media, music, and lunch/recess take place in English.

## **What grade does it go up to?**

Students attend Nuevas Fronteras from Kindergarten through fifth grade. Students completing fifth grade at Nuevas Fronteras have the option of participating in a partial Spanish immersion program at Cottage Grove Middle school for grades 6, 7, and 8. Woodbury High School is the pathway high school for Spanish immersion students.

## **Who can apply?**

Students who reside within the boundaries of District 833 are given first preference for enrollment. Waiting lists are established for both in-District and out-of-District families. Students progress through their elementary years in Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion the same as in the traditional District 833 elementary format.

## **How do I enroll?**

Applications will NOT be available until January 2017. Application forms for the 2017-2018 school year will be available at the Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion Parent Information Night, the District Service Center, and on the district web site at <http://www.sowashco.org> under "Parents" and then "Enrolling Students".

Applications will be accepted at the District Service Center, 7362 E. Point Douglas Road S., Cottage Grove on regular business days between:

**7:30 AM – 4:00 PM January 24 – February 7, 2017**

Enrollment in Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion will be determined by a general blind lottery on February 8, 2017. Families who are selected will be notified by telephone February 9-10. Families not selected by the lottery will be placed on a waiting list and notified by e-mail no later than February 11 and should attend their boundary school enrollment night on February 21, 2017.

Students placed on the wait list remain on the wait list in case of future openings. Openings that occur after the kindergarten year require Spanish proficiency for the child. An example: a student entering Nuevas Fronteras in first grade off the waiting list will require first grade reading, speaking, and writing skills in Spanish.

**Where is Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion located?**

Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion shares a building with Crestview Elementary School at:  
7830 80<sup>th</sup> Street South Cottage Grove, MN 55016 (651)-768-3800

**Is transportation provided?**

Transportation is provided for students living more than one mile from the Crestview/Nuevas Fronteras building.

**Is there half-day kindergarten at Nuevas Fronteras?**

No. The three sections of kindergarten at Nuevas Fronteras are full day programs.

**What are the class sizes?**

Nuevas Fronteras follows the same class size guidelines as other District 833 schools. There are three sections of kindergarten, first grade, second grade, and third grade. There are two sections of fourth grade and fifth grade. Each grade level has approximately 63 students for a total school population around 360 students.

**How can I find out more?**

Attend the Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion Parent Information Night at Crestview/Nuevas Fronteras School on Tuesday, January 24, 2017, at 5:30 PM.

Tour Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion Classrooms on Thursday, January 26, from 9:30-11:00 AM.

Visit the Nuevas Fronteras website for a virtual tour at:

<http://www.sowashco.k12.mn.us/NFSI/>