Indiana Department of Education Announces Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program Grant Recipients

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INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Department of Education announced the recipients of the Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program grant today. The Indiana Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program provides grants to school corporations that establish or expand dual language immersion programs in Mandarin, Spanish, French, or other languages approved by the Department.

"I am excited to announce this year's recipients of the Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program grant," said Glenda Ritz, Indiana's Superintendent of Public Instruction. "Programs like these expand opportunities for our students and allow them to learn in an environment that few Hoosiers get to experience. Today's grant recipients have created innovative and sustainable plans that focus on providing high-quality instruction while following a studentcentered approach to learning."

Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program grants provide for the establishment of new Dual Language Immersion programs as well as the expansion of an existing program. To qualify, a program must provide fifty percent of its instruction in English and fifty percent of its instruction in a second language and begin in either Kindergarten or Grade 1.

This is the second year of the two-year Dual Language Immersion Pilot program. Today, five schools received funding to continue an existing program while three schools are receiving funding for the first time.

The following Indiana school corporations have been awarded the Dual Language Pilot Program grant for 2016-17. Corporations with an asterisk are first time grant recipients:

School Corporation	School	Language	Award Amount
Batesville Community School Corporation	Batesville Primary	Mandarin	\$85,146.28
Global Prep Academy	Global Prep Academy	Spanish	\$74,170.00
Goshen Community Schools*	Waterford Elementary	Spanish	\$11,253.20
Logansport Community School Corporation*	Landis Elementary	Spanish	\$60,727.45
MSD Martinsville Schools	Poston Road Elementary	Spanish	\$58,902.26
MSD Warren Township	Pleasant Run Elementary	Spanish	\$59,472.67
Warsaw Community Schools	Eisenhower Elementary	Spanish	\$66,200.00
West Noble School Corporation*	West Noble Primary School	Spanish	\$85,000.00

Additional information about the Dual Language Immersion Pilot Program can be found on the Department's website.