Update on JBBP Pathway at Presidio
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Eligibility Requirements
The Japanese Bilingual Bicultural Program Pathway at Presidio Middle School has been offered as a program option for any student who is interested in learning more about Japanese culture and language. However, because implementation of the pathway in the middle school grades will include a focus on Japanese literacy in addition to the cultural aspects, students who wish to apply for the program must meet an appropriate level of proficiency in Japanese.

Students who list Presidio JB as a choice for the 6th and 7th grade, and are not presently enrolled in the JBBP pathway at Rosa Parks, Clarendon or Presidio, will be required to take a Japanese language assessment prior to the March Placement Period to determine eligibility.

Those students who demonstrate intermediate or advance proficiency levels will be eligible for the pathway and the program choice will be included in the student assignment process for placement.

Those students who do not demonstrate proficiency will not be eligible and will have the program choice removed from their list of choices. The parent will have an opportunity to amend their original choice of schools.

Implementation in the Middle School JB Pathway
The implementation of the JB pathway at Presidio in the 6th grade will include a Japanese language course which will be considered the 6th grade elective class. Students who enroll into the JB pathway will be expected to take the elective course.

Students who enroll into the 7th grade JB pathway will be expected to take the zero period language course that will be offered 2-3 days a week.

Students who enroll into the JB pathway are expected to participate in the Japanese language course and do not have the option of opting out of the Japanese language course.

If the student wishes to opt out of JB, they must do so through the enrollment process at the EPC by submitting an amended application or a waiting pool form, listing another school or program as a choice, depending on the timing of the request in relation to the enrollment cycle. Students enrolled in the JB pathway who wish to apply for the GE program at Presidio, or any other school/program, do not have a priority over other students.

For more information on eligibility or enrollment into the Japanese Bilingual Bicultural Program pathway, please see an enrollment counselor at the Educational Placement Center.