



**Dual Language Middle School**  
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The mission of **Dual Language Middle School (DLMS)** is to support a dual language instructional model which promotes academic excellence and is built upon student strengths and curiosities. At our school, we believe that children who love languages can learn best through the dual language structure. Students are encouraged to question, challenge, make real decisions, and work collaboratively to solve problems. Through a rigorous project-directed, theme-based curriculum, children learn that school is a place to develop respect for self and others. Our mission is founded on the premise that we must experience an atmosphere of trust, safety, security, and personal attention in order to develop emotional and intellectual growth.

Core Courses	Special Programs
<p><b>Science</b></p> <p>Students engage in scientific inquiry through hands-on activities that teach data collection and scientific thinking. Through a partnership with Urban Advantage, students engage in fieldwork to experience science in the real world. Students also participate in an annual Science Fair.</p> <p><b>Social Studies</b></p> <p>Students study historical trends, diverse perspectives, and current implications in social studies. Sixth grade social studies is offered in Spanish to promote our culture of biliteracy, allowing students to develop both their language and history skills simultaneously.</p> <p><b>English Language Arts</b></p> <p>Students read and write a mix of narrative and opinion-based texts. Students experience a breadth of contemporary and historical fiction, reading across genres to explore a wide range of literary texts. Students also participate in Book Clubs for individualized instruction at their reading levels.</p> <p><b>Mathematics</b></p> <p>Students practice mathematical skills and real-world applications to develop number sense and conceptual understanding. Students prepare to take the Algebra 1 Regents in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.</p>	<p><b>Advisory</b></p> <p>In small, safe, and supportive groups, students engage in dialogue to help the transition to middle school, examine local and world events, and celebrate their unique backgrounds. Advisors help students learn organizational skills and provide weekly academic Progress Reports to help students and families stay on track for success.</p> <p><b>Dance</b></p> <p>In Dance, students study both physical movement and the historical/cultural meaning of various dance forms. Through partnerships with Alvin Ailey, the Chinese Cultural Center and other well-known organizations, students develop their skills alongside experts in the field.</p> <p><b>Visual Arts</b></p> <p>In Visual Arts, students engage in a variety of art forms to explore diverse perspective and develop an appreciation for the arts. We partner with Groundswell NYC to create murals about social issues important to our students.</p> <p><b>Spanish</b></p> <p>In line with our mission, all students study Spanish and take the Spanish Proficiency Exam to acquire Regents-level credit in preparation for High School.</p> <p><b>Clubs and Sports</b></p> <p>DLMS teachers offer a variety of unique afterschool activities including Astronomy Club, Service Club, Contemporary Dance Team, Homework Help and more. We also offer Volleyball, Basketball and Soccer.</p>
<p><b>Selection Criteria</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic and Personal Behaviors</li> <li>• Attendance and Punctuality</li> <li>• Final 4th Grade Report Card</li> <li>• Interview</li> </ul>	<p><b>Check us out!</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.duallanguagemiddleschool.org">www.duallanguagemiddleschool.org</a></p> <p>Twitter/Instagram: @ DLMSNYC</p>

**Dedicación, Propósito, Éxito**