

Class Schedule 2018–2019

Our classes begin in September and end in May. We follow the Minneapolis Public Schools holiday/release calendar and other release days specific to each school. Days, times & start dates are subject to change.

*Armatage, Hale and Kenwood

Due to new school hours at MPLS, we are adding a later time slot for students in 2nd – 5th grades who attend Minneapolis Kids/Rec Plus or who have other care options right after school.

Register early. Space is limited. See our schedule below for details.

School	Times	Start
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Armatage

TTh	2:00–3:00 PM	9/20
TTh	3:10–4:10 PM*	9/20

Burroughs

MW	3:40–4:40 PM	9/17
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Hale

TTh	2:00–3:00 PM	9/18
TTh	3:10–4:10 PM*	9/18

Kenwood

TTh	2:35–3:35 PM	9/27
TTh	3:45–4:45 PM*	9/27

Lake Harriet Lower Campus — Before School

TTh	8:25–9:25 AM	9/20
MW	8:25–9:25 AM	9/19
MW&F (Plus)**	8:25–9:25 AM	9/19

**Intended for children coming from Spanish-immersion schools and/or Spanish-speaking households.

Lake Harriet Lower Campus — After School

TTh	3:55–4:55 PM	9/20
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Lake Harriet Upper Campus

MW	8:25–9:25 AM	9/17
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Class dates and end times may change pending confirmation from management at each school. Updates will be posted on our online registration page when it opens in June.

Bus service is not available. Parents must arrange for their child's transportation.



Tuition & Payments

\$150 deposit with registration plus 5 installments due on the 15th of each month October to February:

- \$770 for classes that meet 2 times per week: 5 payments of \$124
- \$1,080 for classes that meet 3 times per week: 5 monthly payments of \$186

We offer a \$25 discount from our full tuition for each additional sibling who completes our school year program. Material fees are included in the tuition price.

Pay in full when you register and receive \$25 off tuition.

Scholarships

A limited number of needs-based scholarships are available if your family qualifies for free or reduced lunch as determined by your 2018–2019 Application for Educational Benefits. One full scholarship per family. Siblings will be offered discounted tuition based on family needs. Scholarship tuition is \$425 (5 payments of \$55/materials included).

First Class & Parent Orientation

Instructions for the first day of class including teacher and room assignments, materials and the time and location of the 20-to 30-minute parent orientation will be sent via email approximately one week before the first class meeting.

Registration & Refund Policy

A \$150 deposit is required to register and attend class. Your child may attend up to 8 consecutive classes and if you decide our program isn't a good fit by then, you may withdraw and pay only the deposit. After the 8th class meeting, we issue refunds at our discretion. To withdraw your child, you must notify us in writing by 11:59 PM on or before the day of the 8th class.

• Registration Deadline: August 17

Enrollment is on a first come first served basis.

• Cancellation Deadline:

Deposits are refundable up to Friday, August 17.

Deposits and tuition payments are fully refundable for classes cancelled due to low enrollment.

Communication

We conduct all of our communication with you via email. Please add us to your email safe list and inform us immediately of any changes.

Registration & Program Information

Please visit our website: www.ulanguage.com

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Before & After School

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Hale, Kenwood,
Lake Harriet Lower & Upper

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Learning to Speak Spanish Is a Great Idea!

Spanish is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world, with over 300 million speakers in 44 countries. In the United States, 28 million people speak Spanish at home, making us the fifth largest Spanish-speaking nation in the world.

Learning a second language at a young age enhances a child's overall language skills and produces life-long benefits. Children who study a foreign language:

- ❖ **Increase their mental flexibility & creativity**
- ❖ **Transfer skills used between their first and second languages**
- ❖ **Improve their understanding of English**
- ❖ **Learn to understand, appreciate and respect diverse cultures**



Let's Speak Spanish!

Welcome to **¡Hablemos Español!** the leading before- & after-school language enrichment program in the Twin Cities. We are a Minneapolis-based business offering language instruction for children and adults, translating, interpreting and proficiency testing services since 1985.

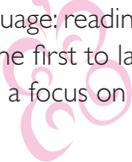
In the mid-1990s, we responded to the parent-led demand for high-quality foreign language instruction by developing **¡Hablemos Español!** We now provide a rich, meaningful language-learning experience for hundreds of students in many K–8 schools throughout the metropolitan area. We continue to offer language instruction to adult learners year-round in our Minneapolis classrooms.

University Language Center is an active participant in the *International Alliance for Learning* and the *Minnesota Council on the Teaching of Languages and Cultures*.

Teaching Methods & Curriculum

We design our curriculum using the latest in language acquisition research and teaching methods. ULC specializes in *Accelerated Learning*, a method defined by a whole-mind, whole-body approach that engages all of the senses in the learning process. Children respond especially well to our classroom-tested dynamic activities that combine movement, music and art to boost language acquisition. Our students learn by doing — with outstanding results.

ULC provides all of the curriculum and materials for each course. The strength of our *Accelerated Learning* program is that it incorporates all four components of language: reading, writing, speaking and listening, from the first to last class. We organize our curriculum with a focus on communication



rather than structure, masterfully designing activities and materials that are age appropriate. For our young learners especially, we emphasize comprehension over speaking in the earliest stages of their language acquisition.

The “Immersion Classroom”

Children learn foreign languages best when their native language is not used for the instruction. Remember that a child develops comprehension skills in their first language long before they speak their first words. You may expect our teachers to use the target language as much as 95% of the time — using English on a very limited basis to support comprehension in the first few lessons. Children are extremely adaptable to this communication strategy and adjust in about 3 to 5 classes.

Our Teachers

Our professional commitment to excellence in language acquisition attracts the best and brightest educators from a worldwide pool of talent. Each of our instructors has the proficiency level of an educated native speaker, a bachelor's degree or higher in education or a related field, and has demonstrated effectiveness in working with children. For our dedicated staff, multicultural describes both the richness of experience gained from living abroad and their endeavors as artists, musicians and scholars. The talent they share is in nurturing the innate gift children have of learning a new language.

