

# Illinois Dual Language Guidance

We are excited to announce that ISBE has released Draft 1 of the new Illinois Dual Language Guidance, developed pursuant to [Public Act 104-0266](#). This comprehensive guidance, set for final publication by Dec. 15, 2026, will support districts across the state in establishing, strengthening, and expanding high-quality dual language programs.

The Dual Language Guidance encompasses key areas essential to effective dual language education, including program structure, curriculum, instruction, assessment and accountability, staff quality and professional development, family and community engagement, and support and resources.

Your input is essential in shaping this statewide guidance. ISBE invites educators, families, administrators, and community partners to review the draft and share feedback.

## Join the Conversation at the Statewide Dual Language Listening Tour

To gather direct input from communities across Illinois, ISBE is hosting a series of in-person and virtual listening sessions. These sessions are an important opportunity to share your insights and help refine the next draft of the Illinois Dual Language Guidance.

Attend the virtual listening event by joining the live GoToMeeting link at the scheduled time.

Registration is required for in-person events via Eventbrite.

Date	Location
Feb. 19	Virtual • 4 p.m.
Feb. 24	Elgin • 4 p.m.
Feb. 26	Moline • 4 p.m.
March 2	Urbana • 4 p.m.
March 3	Vandalia • 4 p.m.
March 4	Carmi • 4 p.m.
March 12	Peoria • 4 p.m.
March 13	Chicago • 4 p.m.

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Share your input on the [Dual Language Guidance Draft 1 - Feedback Form](#)



Join the virtual listening event live at the scheduled time of the meeting via [Go2Meeting](#)



RSVP for an in-person listening event via [Eventbrite](#)

