



BILINGUAL PUPIL SERVICES PROGRAM

BPS is a Title I program within the New York City Department of Education, Division of Human Resources Office of HR School Support. Its purpose is to prepare and train bilingual paraprofessionals in pursuit of a teaching career to support and serve English Language Learners (ELLs) and Multilingual Learners (MLs) in Title I public elementary/middle schools. The goal is to promote the linguistic and academic progress of these students, whose primary languages are Spanish, Chinese and Haitian Creole, by providing supportive instructional services through the assignment of our BPS teacher interns. It also prepares bilingual paraprofessionals to become bilingual or ENL teachers.

ELIGIBILITY

- Enrollment in an undergraduate teacher certification program at a participating college or university (specifically in bilingual childhood education or ENL track).
- Fluency in English AND a second language (Spanish, Chinese, or Haitian Creole) as demonstrated by performance on a written assessment and oral interview, if choosing the bilingual education track.
- Accumulation of at least 75 college credits toward a Bachelor's Degree in education and a minimum GPA of 2.8.
- Completion of Mandated Child Abuse Identification, School Violence Prevention and Intervention, and Anti-Bullying/DASA workshops.
- Passing score on the required New York State Teacher Certification Examinations.
- College transcript(s) for verification of credits and performance.
- U.S. citizenship or legal permanent residency.

LANGUAGES	PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spanish • Chinese • Haitian-Creole 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brooklyn College • City College of New York • York College

BENEFITS

- Receive training, guidance, and mentoring to become a certified bilingual, bilingual special education, or ENL teacher.
- Teaching experience in a bilingual/ENL classroom setting.
- Paid tuition in an accredited teacher education program at a participating college or university for a minimum of 18 credits up to a maximum of 27 credits per year.
- Same salary and benefits as UFT paraprofessionals (Educational Assistant B or Educational Associate).
- Ongoing preparation workshops for NYS Teaching Exams.

Applications are available under the Bilingual Pupil Services tab on our website: www.teachnycprograms.net.

If you require further information, please email us at bps@schools.nyc.gov.