

HOME LANGUAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Minnesota schools are required to report the primary language of students. “Primary Language” is defined as: the language the student learned when he or she first began to talk, the language that is usually spoken in the student’s home, or the language the student usually speaks. You are the person most qualified to provide this important information about your family’s language. Please take a few minutes to answer the following questions, even if English is the only language spoken by members of your family. Your answers will remain confidential.

Directions:

Please mark the box which best answers each of the following questions. If the language usually spoken is something other than English, please check the box labeled “Other” and write the name of that language in the space provided. For example, if your child, whose name appears below, first spoke Japanese, you would check the “Other” box in the answer space for Question #1, and you would write “Japanese” in the space provided.

STUDENT’S NAME _____

1. What language did your child speak when he or she first began to talk?	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
2. What language does your child speak <u>most often</u> at home?	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
3. What language does your child speak <u>most often</u> with his or her friends?	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
4. What language do YOU use <u>most often</u> when speaking to your child?	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
5. What language do YOU use <u>most often</u> when speaking to your friends?	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
6. What language do other family members in your home usually use when speaking to each other?	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Please sign the completed Home Language Questionnaire and return it to your child’s school.

Signature _____ Date _____