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Bilingual Education Experts to Speak at CSUCI

Camarillo, Calif., January 3, 2005 – Two of the nation’s most highly respected educational experts on two-way immersion programs that integrate the language minority students with the language majority students in the classroom will be the featured speakers at a California State University Channel Islands event on Thursday, January 13, 2005.

Dr. Virginia Collier and Dr. Wayne Thomas will present a talk titled the “Astounding Effectiveness of Two-Way Bilingual Programs – A Powerful Enriching Model for All Students.” The event, to be held from 4 – 7 p.m. in the University’s Science Auditorium, is sponsored by CSUCI, the California Association of Bilingual Educators, the Ventura County Superintendent of Schools Office, and the Ventura County Unified School District. A reception begins at 4 p.m. followed by the presentation.

Off-campus individuals interested in attending the event will be charged a \$20 fee.

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For more information or pre-registration, contact Kathleen Contreras, CSUCI lecturer in education, at (805) 437-8976.

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