

ESL Program Entrance Qualifications

- A language other than English is spoken
- A screening process has been conducted
- Assessment of English proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing is administered
- Over 34 languages spoken in Parkland School District

Goals for ESL Students

- Provide English instruction in speaking, listening, reading, and writing
- Provide access to the Parkland curriculum and all of its educational benefits.
- Support the social and cultural development of students

Teachers of ESL Students

- Hold Pennsylvania teaching certificates
- Hold ESL program specialist certificates.
- Secondary ESL teachers also hold English, Reading Specialist, or Foreign Language certificates.

ESL Teaching Methods

- Small group instruction
- In class support
- Students participate in most or all core academic subjects while learning English.



Program Completion: Exit Criteria

- Student must obtain “C” or better on all core subjects on the WIDA ACCESS
- Student must score “Basic” or above on PSSA/Keystone test
- Student must score 5.0 on TierC of the WIDA ACCESS
- The ESL teacher monitors the progress of exited students by evaluating their report cards for 2 years

Community Outreach

- ESL open house night at the beginning of school year to meet the ESL teachers, to learn about the ESL program, and to meet other parents in the district.
- ESL family picnic at end of school year

Community Resources

- **Parkland Public Library:**
Phone: 610-398-1361
<http://www.parklandlibrary.org/>
- **Language Lines Services:**
Over-the phone interpreter for communication between parents and teachers
- **Parkland School District website:**
<http://www.parklandsd.org>
- **Parkland School District ESL website:**
<http://www.parklandsd.org/web/esl>
- **School Closings or Delays:**
<http://www.wfmz.org>
- **Free websites to practice English:**
<http://www.eslgamesplus.com>
<http://a4esl.org>
<http://www.starfall.com>
<http://www.esl-lab.com/index.htm>

ESL Contact Information

ESL Program Coordinator:

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Parkland School Information:

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Orefield Middle School (610) 351-5750

Springhouse Middle School (610) 351-5700

Cetronia Elementary (610) 351-5860

Fogelsville Elementary (610) 351-5800

Ironton Elementary (610) 351-5810

Jaindl Elementary (610) 351-5880

Kernsville Elementary (610) 351-5840

Kratzer Elementary (610) 351-5820

Parkway Manor Elementary (610) 351-5850

Schnecksville Elementary (610) 351-5830

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Information for Parents and Students

