# **SPELL Procedures for Renewal of Eligibility and/or Adding services**

### Renewal of SPED Eligibility for ESL students:

- 1. Follow the Davis School District Procedures for renewing a students SPED eligibility.
- 2. Ensure student has been instructed by an ESL endorsed teacher.
- 3. Monitor for progress in any ESL services the student is receiving. (i.e. Imagine Learning or ESL tutor)
- 4. Be conscious that as a general recommendation it takes a student 5-7 years of instruction in English to be considered academically proficient in English.
- 5. Check student file to ensure it contains SPELL forms:

#### If the student received special education services prior to 2016-17 school year:

- ✓ Language Development History
- ✓ Home Language Survey
- ✓ ELL Information form
- ✓ Language Checklist (BICS/ CALP)
- ✓ SPELL memo concurring with the IEP teams desire to proceed with original testing.

### Or if the student received special education services during or after the 2016-17 school year:

- ✓ Parent Caregiver Interview
- ✓ Is this Special Education Referral Appropriate for an English Language Learner
- ✓ Spell Referral Form
- ✓ Language Checklist (BICS/ CALP)
- ✓ SPELL memo concurring with the IEP teams desire to proceed with original testing.
- 6. If forms are missing or need updating, do so before the Eligibility Meeting.
- 7. Check student's most recent WIDA A scores and their progress over the years:
  - a. A teacher with the child on their rolls needs to log on to Utah Data Gateway (they may need to create an account with their Cactus ID >Select WIDA>Select student>Select the most recent WIDA report>print the report and include most recent score on Eligibility document.
  - ✓ If student has a 5 or greater, SPELL involvement no longer necessary
  - ✓ Review CAN-DO descriptors to evaluate how a student is expected to perform given the current WIDA Scores. (On SPELL website)
  - ✓ Make sure IEP goals align in terms of rigor and scope with the current WIDA scores.
- 8. If the school team is wondering about having the student assessed in their home language or if rating scales are needed in another language, please contact the SPELL Committee (<a href="spedspell@dsdmail.net">spedspell@dsdmail.net</a>) to review the original file and provide recommendations. Please include the "Re-evaluation File Review Request Form" in your email.
- 9. If the team determines the student's IQ scores need to be updated and the team is looking at SLD, the School Psychologist should administer a verbal IQ test and analyze the results using the Culture-Language Interpretive Matrix and send the results to the SPELL Committee (<a href="mailto:spedspell@dsdmail.net">spedspell@dsdmail.net</a> ) to be included in the file. If the team is not looking at SLD, and a cognitive test is needed, a nonverbal assessment could be done in place of a verbal IQ.
- 10. Request a SPELL consultation and/or file review as needed.

### Adding Services to an Existing IEP:

1. Follow the Davis School District Procedures for adding services to an IEP

- 2. Ensure the student has been instructed by an ESL endorsed teacher.
- 3. Monitor for progress in any ESL services the student is receiving (i.e. Imagine Learning or ESL tutor).
- 4. Be conscious that as a general recommendation it takes a student 5-7 years of instruction in English to be considered academically proficient in English.
- 5. Check student file to ensure it contains SPELL forms:

If the student received special education services prior to 2016-17 school year:

- ✓ Language Development History
- ✓ Home Language Survey
- ✓ ELL Information form
- ✓ Language Checklist (BICS/ CALP)
- ✓ SPELL memo concurring with the IEP teams desire to proceed with original testing.

## Or if the student received special education services during or after the 2016-17 school year:

- ✓ Parent Caregiver Interview
- ✓ Is this Special Education Referral Appropriate for an English Language Learner
- ✓ Spell Referral Form
- ✓ Language Checklist (BICS/ CALP)
- ✓ SPELL memo concurring with the IEP teams desire to proceed with original testing.
- 6. If forms are missing or need updating, do so before the IEP Meeting.
- 7. Check student's most recent WIDA A scores:
- 8. Check student's most recent WIDA A scores and their progress over the years:
  - a. A teacher with the child on their rolls needs to log on to Utah Data Gateway (they may need to create an account with their Cactus ID >Select WIDA>Select student>Select the most recent WIDA report>print the report and include most recent score on Eligibility document.
  - ✓ If student has 5 or greater, SPELL procedures no longer necessary
  - ✓ Cross reference CAN-DO descriptors to evaluate how a student is expected to perform given the current WIDA Scores.
  - ✓ Make sure IEP goals align in terms of rigor and scope with the current WIDA scores.
- 9. Make sure ELL intervention strategies are implemented, monitored and documented.
- 10. Send current intervention documentation and data to the Special Ed ELL Committee to be added to the file.
  - a. If the student is currently receiving speech only, please email <a href="mailto:speedspell@dsdmail.net">speedspell@dsdmail.net</a> to review the file prior to doing a data review and obtaining permission to test.
- 11. Request a SPELL consultation and/or file review as needed.