

OAK GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)

March 2, 2022

Via Google Meet-5:00pm to 6:30pm

DELAC Representatives Present:

- Nashely Villalvazo@ Del Roble TWBI - Xin Zi @ Baldwin
- Lynn Lam @ Ledesma -María Medrano@ Del Roble
- María de los Ángeles Jimenez Barajas- Christopher
- Fabiola Estrada – Oak Ridge - Carmen Durán – Oak Ridge
- Estela Sánchez – Oak Ridge - Liliana Camacho - Taylor
- Verónica Díaz - Anderson

Staff Present:

- Julie Silva, Coordinator in Educational Services
- Amy Boles, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
- Alicia Wong, ELD IA & DELAC secretary (not present)
- Luz Panuco – Administrative Support ESD (not present)

Welcome and Review of the Agenda and last month's DELAC Minutes

Nashely Villalvazo called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

Julie welcomed everyone. She shared a quote “I love commuting between languages just like I love commuting between cultures and cities”. Elif Safak

Everyone was invited to introduce themselves and answer, what does this quote mean to you? Everyone in attendance got a chance to introduce themselves and share what the quote meant to them. They all had very interesting perspectives.

Julie reviewed the future meeting date. The next meetings will be in April 13, 2022 via Google meet.

The group reviewed last month's minutes; Nashely took us thru the process, she motioned to approve the minutes from February, 2022. The only correction was to add the name of the person who did the second motion at last meeting, Lynn Lam was the person. María Medrano motioned to approve the minutes and Lynn Lam seconded the motion to approve the minutes, the minutes were approved.

Analysis of English Learner Data to Complete Needs Assessment – Jan 2022

Julie presented some graphs showing data regarding English Learners by school, from 2018 to 2022. One graph shows the number of ELs (English Learners) per school in a several-year span. Other graph was the RFEP totals. We have to remember that students did not take the SBAC in the last two years. Someone asked what is the difference between the ELPAC and the SBAC tests? The ELPAC is a state test that only the English learners take and the SBAC is a state test that all students from 3rd to

8th grade have to take. Another graph was the Long-Term English Learners (LTEL). In this graph we want the numbers to be lower. The last information was for students that are at risk of becoming LTEL, currently we don't have enough information.

We are going to start tracking the students that have increased at least one level of growth in the ELPAC test. The DELAC representatives will bring this information to their school site ELAC meeting to be analyzed.

A parent asked how can they help or support their children at home to improve their language development? Julie mentioned the importance of oral language development. Talking and reading to the students in their primary language and in English as well.

Another parent asked how can the students be affected if they are not reclassified when they get into middle school? Julie said that the students that are becoming LTEL just need more support in reading and writing to become English proficient. As parents you should pay attention to the classes that the student start taking in middle school, to make sure that the student is on track to get into college or community college if they so choose. Someone also asked if there is still the choice of AP classes in High School. Julie will get back to us with that answer at the next meeting.

Julie had a Jamboard activity where representatives could share their opinions/ observations based on the data that was shared earlier. Julie will share this information with the school principals, so you can talk about them during the school site ELAC meetings.

What can we do to support our students in their English language development, reading and writing?

The development of the oral language and background knowledge supports reading and writing. Last time we talked about reading, talking to them, playing games, singing. One benefit from distance learning was that now we have many kinds of virtual tours to museums and aquariums, etc. You can search best virtual tours for kids. You can talk with your student and ask questions "what do you see? what do you think?" or you can also go to the public library.

Adjournment

Nashely Villalvazo adjourned the meeting at 6:35 pm.

Future DELAC Meetings:

Wednesday, April 13, 2022, 5-6:30, via Google Meet