

Student Support Services



AIG



My name is Beth Barnette and I am the AIG Specialist for Lucama Elementary. I graduated from East Carolina University with a Bachelor of Science and Master's Degree in Elementary Education. I taught first grade for three years before becoming an AIG Specialist. This will be my 17th year teaching.

The Lucama AIG program serves students in Grades K-5. K-3 students participate through enrichment opportunities using the Primary Education Thinking Skills program. AIG students in Grades 4-5 are challenged academically through content extension. Students participate in novel studies, William and Mary Units, and Problem Based Learning activities. AIG students are encouraged to participate in extra-curricular events such as: Soil and Water Poster Contest, Science Fair, Battle of the Books, and the STEM challenge.

Parent Resources:

North Carolina Association for Gifted and Talented: <https://www.ncagt.org/>

Supporting the Emotional Needs of Gifted: <https://www.sengifted.org/>



Multilingual Learners (ML)



I am so glad you are here! My name is Juana Valdovinos and I serve as the ML teacher for Lucama Elementary. I graduated from Barton College with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and Special Education. Before becoming a ML teacher, I taught 3rd grade and 5th grade.

The goal of the Multilingual Program is to provide equal educational opportunities to students who have a primary home language other than English and who are identified multilingual learners (MLs).

The main focus is to provide an English-rich environment in order for students to attain grade-appropriate academic achievement. This program, beginning in kindergarten and continuing through high school, will provide each limited English speaking child the opportunity to be successful in academic areas and to develop listening, speaking, reading and writing proficiency in order to be successful in all classes.

Parent Resources:

English Language Instruction Objectives: <https://bit.ly/3UWBrF0>

WIDA & The ACCESS Test: <https://wida.wisc.edu/>

Colorin Colorado ELL Resources: <https://www.colorincolorado.org/>

Newcomer Book Collection: <https://bit.ly/3CdyE20>

Unite For Literacy: <https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/>