



L.I. RBERN Bilingual/ENL Coordinators' Meeting	
Thursday, February 29, 2024	
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10:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.

- Welcome
- Homework Help for ELLs – Dr. Sharon Hayes


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10:40 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. Christa Stevenson

- Remarks
- L.I. RBERN and NYSED OBEWL Updates
 - FYI: [23-24 L.I. RBERN Resource Guide](#)
 - New L.I. RBERN website! longislandrbern.org

<p>Christa Stevenson Executive Director L.I. RBERN cstevens@esboces.org</p>	<p>Home - LongIsland Regional BilingualEducation Resource Network</p> <p>Home - LIRBERN is a NYSED-funded technical assistance and resource center that serves the ELLs of the 125 school districts on Long Island.</p> <p> longislandrbern.org</p>
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11:10 a.m. – 11:40 a.m. Guest Speakers: Eric Beck – Continental Press and Steve Sussman – Sussman Education/Lightswitch Learning

<p>Eric Beck President Continental Press www.continentalpress.com</p>	<p> ESL Workbooks & ELL Resources PreK-12 ... Find ESL workbooks and... continentalpress.com</p>
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11:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m. Culturally Responsive-Sustaining Education

1. What are the home languages of all the students in your school district (not exclusive to ELLs)?

Respond to Q1. See the results for Q1.

2. What languages are “reflected, represented, and valued” in the schools in your district?

Respond to Q2. See the results for Q2.

3. What do you notice? What do you wonder?

<https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/crs/culturally-responsive-sustaining-education-framework.pdf> (*pp. 20, 26)



11:55 a.m. – 12:25 p.m. Networking Discussion

Questions for Discussion:

- 1. How can educators foster an actively inclusive classroom environment that celebrates the diverse linguistic tapestry among students?
- 2. In what ways does language play a role in shaping students' perceptions of belonging within the school system?
- 3. As educators, what specific, actionable strategies guarantee the equitable representation of languages and cultural wealth in curricula?

Related upcoming L.I. RBERN PD session:
[Multilingual Equity: Ensuring Inclusive Learning and Belonging for Diverse Students](#)



(Explanation of adoption & introduction, pp. 1–4)

<https://cdn.ncte.org/nctefiles/groups/cccc/committees/langsurvey.pdf> (Survey, pp. 39–44)

<https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/biden-harris-administration-launches-e2809Cbeing-bilingual-superpower-e2809D-promote-multilingual-education-diverse-workforce>

<https://www.ed.gov/news/speeches/secretary-cardona-touts-multilingual-education-being-bilingual-superpower-initiative-launch-event#:~:text=And%20multilingualism%20is%20also%20a,and%20control%20over%20decision%20making>

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12:25 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. LIRBERN Listserv & YouTube Channel

All information and updates related to scheduled meetings, regional workshops, and pertinent NYSED announcements will be delivered via this listserv.

The L.I. RBERN team wishes you an enjoyable weekend.

We'll see you at our next meeting on April 17, 2024!

If you have any questions regarding today's presentation, please email Dr. Kari-Lee Grant, Resource Specialist, at kgrant@esboces.org.