ESOL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

THIS MONTH

There's a lot going on in our country at the moment that pertains to immigration. This has our students and families having more fear, uncertainty and stress in their lives.

What you need to know:

- legally nothing has changed
- At this time the only people being deported are criminals that are here illegally.

What you can do:

- let your students know they are safe while here at school. We will keep them safe.
- They don't need to worry but allow them to voice their worries if needed.
- Support our students still using their native languages in the classroom.
- Watch out for bullying as this could increase at this time.



1 UPCOMING EVENTS



KELPA testing has started. We are working around students and staff being sick so the testing schedules we have made may change a bit. We will keep you updated and appreciate your flexibility.

February 21st- International Mother Language Day

2 DID YOU KNOW?

With everything going on I wanted to give you some resources for you to read and get more information. Yes, this will take some time to go through but it is always good to educate ourselves so that we can support our students to the best of our abilities.

- **Answering Immigrant Students' Questions**
- **Immigrants Rights**
- **KSDE Statement**
- **Federal Laws and ELL Students**
- **Landmark Court Rulings**



3 ACTIVITY TO TRY

Topic: Social Emotional Learning

At times it is hard for our students to share their feelings whether it be because of a language barrier, time to do so, or not feeling safe to do so. Here are a couple of things you could implement to help your students process their feelings.

- If they want to talk but it's a bad time then schedule a time for you to sit down and talk to them.
- Give them a notebook to write down their feelings or draw a picture of how they are feeling.
- Have them talk with one of the counselors.
- Set up a box or container that students can write their concerns down and put them in the box

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