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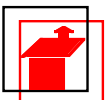
PORT OF ENTRY CLASS/ENGLISH LANGUAGE CREDIT

The Bayonne Board of Education authorizes a Port of Entry Class/English Language Credit program. Pupils enrolling in the district or seeking admission into the district from another school district will be required to complete a language survey if the pupil speaks another language at home regardless if the pupil was born in the United States or in another country.

The pupil will be required to take an English Language Proficiency test such as the LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT SCALES (LAS) or alternate test as determined by the Superintendent of Schools or designee.

LAS	DOE Equivalent
Level 1 - Non-English Speaker Entering	Beginner
Level 2 - Limited English Speaker Beginning	Lower Intermediate
Level 3 - Limited English Speaker Developing	Upper Intermediate
Level 4 - Fluent English Speaker Expanding	Advanced
Level 5 - Fluent English Speaker Bridging	Full English Proficient

A pupil who scores "1" on Language Assessment Scales or a score equivalent to "1" on an alternate test shall be placed in the Port of Entry Class at Bayonne High School. The pupil will receive three periods of Language Arts Instruction with a certified E.S.L. teacher concentrating on reading, writing, speaking, and listening components of the English language. The pupil will also receive Social Studies (US I), General Mathematics, and Music instruction in a team teaching mode with the content teacher and E.S.L. teacher to enable content



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language vocabulary and content to be incorporated.

A pupil, who enters Bayonne High School after the second Marking Period Progress Report and has not been in school, will not receive credit for the academic year.

A pupil that scores a "1" on the Language Assessment Scales (LAS) or alternate test will receive no credit for English even if his/her foreign transcript dictates that he/she had English instruction in the form of English as a Foreign Language. A pupil that scores a "2" on the LAS or alternate test will receive the equivalent of one year of English if the foreign transcript dictates it. A pupil that scores a "3" on the LAS or equivalent test will receive credit for two years of English if the foreign transcript dictates it. A pupil that scores "4" on the LAS or equivalent test will receive credit for three years of English if the foreign transcript dictates it.

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