English Language Learner Reclassification & How Parents Can Support Their Children

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Today's Learning Outcomes:



What it means to be an English Language Learner (ELL)

The ELPAC and EL student Relassification

Facts vs. myths of English Language Learner reclassification

How to support their children in getting reclassified

Parent rights

How are English Learners determined?

HUSD Enrollment Form "Home Language Survey"

1.
2.
3.



Initial ELPAC

Initial ELPAC Results:

L1 Novice English Learner
L2 Intermediate English Learner
L3 Initial Fluent English Proficient (IFEP)

<u>L1 Novice</u> and <u>L2 Intermediate</u> scores mean that the student is an English Learner.
Student will take an Annual ELPAC test <u>AND</u> will receive special EL services at school.

L3 Initial Fluent students will not be considered English Learners. They won't take the Annual ELPAC and won't receive EL services at school.

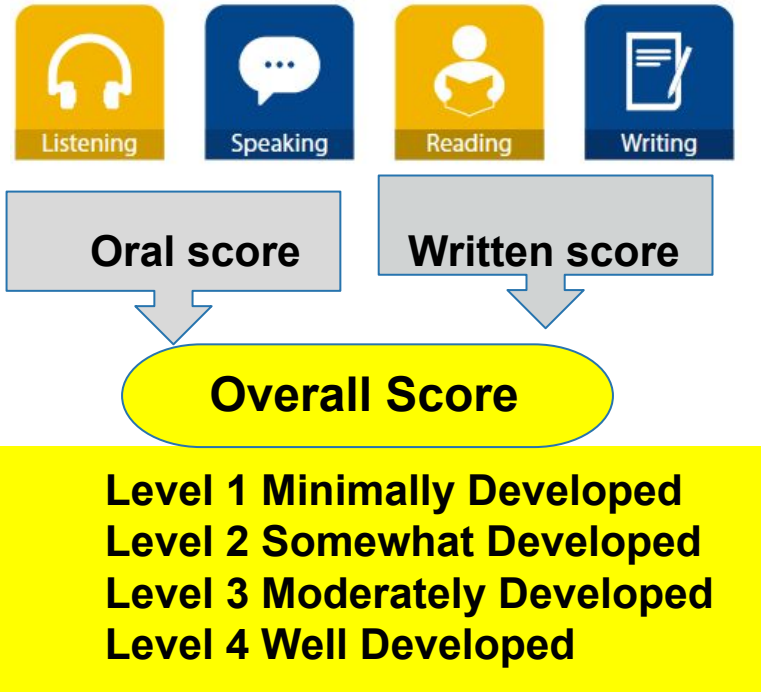
English Learner Services

1. Daily English Language Development (ELD) classes
2. Support from the English Learner Specialist at your school
3. Yearly monitoring of academic and English Language progress
4. Intervention (primary)
5. Newcomer Program (secondary)
6. ELAC: Advisory committee for English Language Learner parents/caregivers

What is the Summative ELPAC?

Computer based State test
For EL students in TK through 12th
Test window: February to May.
Based on the CA ELD standards.
Measures skills and progress of English Learners.





When is an English Learner Reclassified?

EL Students need an Overall ELPAC score of 4

TK-2nd grade → ELPAC 4 + local skills test = **Reclassification and Monitoring**

3rd to 12th grade → ELPAC 4 + CASSPP = **Reclassification and Monitoring**



It takes 5-6 years to become proficient in academic English if Initial ELPAC score is L1
ALL Reclassified students are monitored for 4 years
The State is working on a common Reclassification criteria for all EL students in CA

Myths or Misconceptions about Reclassification

- “If my child is Reclassified and is not doing well, the reclassification can be taken away.”
- “If my child is not Reclassified, my child cannot take A-G courses in high school.”
- “Once my child is Reclassified, I don’t need to worry about my child’s grades anymore.”
- “If my child is not Reclassified, my child cannot graduate or attend college.”

more Myths or Misconceptions

- X “It is better to answer English only in the Home Language Survey so my child is not identified as an English Learner.”
- X “If my child is a Spanish speaking English Learner, my child will be placed in a Bilingual or a Dual Language Program.”
- X “It is better for my child to stop speaking our home language in order to learn English faster.”



Facts about EL Students and Reclassification

- It may take up to 5 to 6 years to learn academic English.
- EL students receive services at school and their progress is monitored closely.
- Parents have the Right to choose the educational program for their child: One-way Dual Language, Structured English Immersion, Two-way Dual Language (Spanish or Mandarin).

How Can I Support My Child in Getting Reclassified?

- **Read** to your child, or have your child read to you, on a regular basis.
- Use pictures and **ask** your child to **tell** you what they see in the picture or what is happening in the pictures.
- Provide your child with opportunities to **use language** outside of school.
- Foster your child's **curiosity**, **creativity**, and **critical thinking** skills.
- Promote **good study habits**: Organization, rest, nutrition, attendance, homework, responsibility.
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- **Talk** with your child's **teacher** about your child's listening, speaking, **reading, and writing** skills to help support your child's progress.
- Attend Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Pay attention to your child's **report card** and **test reports**. Ask the school.
- Support great school **attendance** and make sure your child is ready for the school day: well **rested, breakfast, homework.**
- Attend your school's **ELAC meetings** in person or via Zoom.

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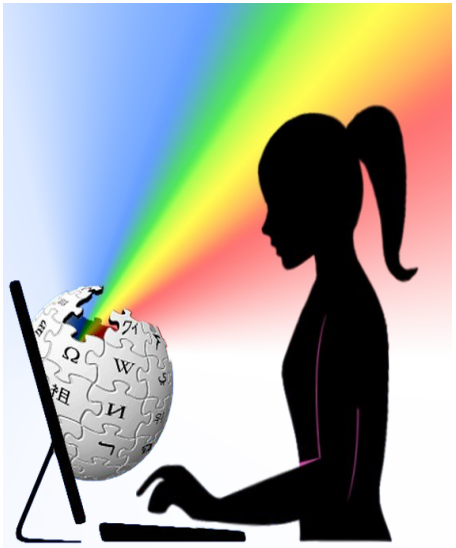
- **Get academic support** if needed as soon as it is needed.
- **Stay informed**: Courses, credits, grades, support needed…
  Parent-Teacher Conference, ELAC, SSC, Coffee with the Principal, Parent Center, District and School Events and Conferences…

And also in secondary:

- Encourage your child to participate in Puente, AVID, Biomedical, Leadership, Community Service, School Clubs…
- **Grades and credits are important!** Pay attention to Report Card and Progress Reports. Communicate with the teachers/school.

And…When it's ELPAC testing time…

Sometime between February and May



Encourage your child to give BEST effort. Make sure your child sleeps well, eats well, has the computer ready, and gets <u>kind</u> encouragement.

Parent/Caregiver Rights

HUSD Program placement options for English Learners is a <u>parent choice</u>

- Structured Language Immersion SEI
- One-way Dual Language (TK-6th grade, Spanish option only)
- Two-way Dual Language (TK-6th grade, Spanish and Mandarin options only)

Annual Parent Notification Letter

- Language assessment results (ELPAC)
- Academic achievement results (CAASPP grades 4-9th, 12th)
- Academic achievement results (Basic Skills test grades 1-3rd,10,11th

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Resources

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Colorín Colorado https://www.colorincolorado.org/

Starting Smarter - ELPAC https://elpac.startingsmarter.org/

Starting Smarter - CAASPP https://ca.startingsmarter.org/

East Bay Regional Park District https://www.ebparks.org/

Hayward Area Recreation and Park District https://www.haywardrec.org/

Hayward Public Library https://www.hayward-ca.gov/public-library

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