



ENGLISH LEARNERS (EL) CONNECTIONS MEETING

September 4, 2025

Welcome to EL Connections!

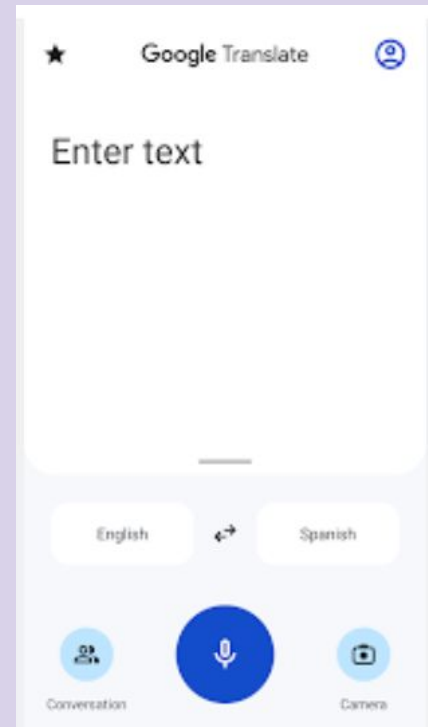
PTSA Volunteer Translators

Chinese translators:

Jing Yang and Qiaolin Tan

Japanese translator: Kumiko Nishikawa

Korean translator: Hee Seon Kim



In your table group:

- Introduce yourself with your name, your student(s) name(s), their grade, their ELD level
 - Optional: where you are from, how long you have been in the Cupertino area

Tonight's Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- English Language Development (ELD) Program Overview
 - Courses and Reclassification Criteria
- Monta Vista High School (MVHS) Contacts and Resources
- Back To School Night
- Future EL Connections Meetings
- Feedback from You

Welcome from the ELD Team!



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ELD Program Overview

Students are given the English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC) – this determines possible need for EL support

- Given to students categorized as EL at enrollment and every spring to gauge English proficiency

❖ **Goal for Students** = English Language Proficiency

❖ **Purpose of the ELD Program:**

- To help English learners develop English skills including listening, speaking, reading, and writing
- ELD courses provide a smaller and more supportive environment for English Learners

❖ **ELD Courses vs. ELD Designation**

ELD Courses at MVHS

English Language Development (ELD), also referred to as “Sheltered” Courses and Teachers:

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| • ELD 2 | Chiaki Vanasupa |
| • ELD 3 | Elly Brown |
| • Sheltered Lit./Writ. | Randy Holaday |
| • Sheltered World Lit. | Melissa Clark |
| • Sheltered US History | Robyn Brostowicz |
| • Sheltered Biology | Pooya Hajjarian |
| • (<i>Algebra 1, Physics</i>) | |

ELD 2 & ELD 3: focuses on speaking and listening

Sheltered English: focuses on reading and writing

ELD Reclassification Criteria

- Score a 4 on annual ELPAC test
- “C” or higher in Core Classes (Aug. – Dec.)
- Pass the Reading & Writing Assessments (February)
- Reclassified Fluent English Proficient (RFEP) (March)

Important Contacts at MVHS

Note: the school office is open from 8am to 4pm, Monday-Friday

Front Desk	Jennifer Giarritta
Contact for general information	(408) 366-7649

Attendance	Hadiya Key
Contact to report your child's absence	(408) 366-7604

Registrar	Shilpi Jain
Contact for transcript information	(408) 366-7610

ELD Program Assistant	Ling Shih
Contact for Testing or the ELD Program	(408) 366-7639

ELD Coordinator	Belinda Olson
Contact for the ELD Program	(408) 366-7616

School Tools and Resources

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PTSA

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CALENDAR

SEP 2 2024

Labor Day - No School 📢
all day
[Read More](#)

SEP 5 2024

Back to School Night 📢
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
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SEP 10 2024

Girls Water Polo @ Milpitas HS 📢
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
[Read More](#)

SEP 10 2024

Boys Water Polo @ Milpitas HS 📢
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
[Read More](#)

PARENT PORTAL

RESOURCE LINKS

NEWS

SCHOOLGY

INFINITE CAMPUS

NAVIANCE

ZOOM

ADDITIONAL LINKS

Tech Help Request Form

Assistance with Online Tools

Running of the Bulls

Daily Announcements

Cafeteria Services

Cyber Safety Resources

Attendance Desk

Health Forms



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- **What does Schoology provide?**
 - **Teachers**—post assignments and materials, post grades (and comments), post announcements
 - **Students**—check grades, keep track of assignments, submit assignments
 - **Parents**—communicate with teachers, check grades, and track assignments

Contact Laura_Utile@fuhsd.org for login questions



ReachMyTeach

- Support translating 172 languages
- Contact mvhs_innovation_coaches@fuhsd.org for login questions



MV Alpha Support Team

School Counselor Team	Assistant Principal Team
Last Names A to Ga: Ashley Voigt Ashley_Voigt@fushd.org	Last Names A to H: Anthony Nguyen Anthony_Nguyen@fuhdsd.org
Last Names Gb to Lin: Belinda Olson Belinda_Olson@fuhdsd.org	
Last Names Lio to Sg: Sylvia Lam Sylvia_Lam@fuhdsd.org	Last Names I to Pe: Brian Dong Brian_Dong@fuhdsd.org
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School Counselors work with students for their time at MVHS in the areas of academics, college/career, and social emotional learning.

Parents/Guardians can request a meeting by emailing their student's School Counselor

Global Friendship Club and PTSA

Global Friendship Club

- A student club consisting of ELD and former ELD students to help one another academically & socially
- Global Friendship Club host weekly meetings, support EL “Fun Fridays”, and EL Celebrations such as holiday and end-of-the-year parties

PTSA (Parents, Teachers, Students Association)

- Please visit the PTSA table after this meeting to meet other MVHS parents

Back To School Night (BTSN)

Schedule for Back to School Night

Light Refreshments & Snacks	5:30 - 6:00
Period 1	6:00 - 6:10
Period 2	6:15 - 6:25
Period 3	6:30 - 6:40
Period 4	6:45 - 6:55
Period 5	7:00 - 7:10
Period 6	7:15 - 7:25
Period 7	7:30 - 7:40

If your student has a free period please stop by the Student Union to meet the Foundation, PTSA, Senior All Night Party and Yearbook.

- Attend your student's classes
- Meet your student's teachers
- Learn what will be covered for the year in the classes

Stay after this meeting if:

- You need your student's schedule
- You need a map of the MVHS campus

Please complete this short survey



Questions? Please email Belinda_Olson@fuhsd.org