



DELAC

DISTRICT ENGLISH LEARNER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SARATOGA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

MARCH 17, 2026
REDWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY
3:30-4:30 P.M.

What is DELAC?

Requirement:

California public school districts with 51 or more English learners must form a District-level English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)

Responsibilities:

The committee will advise the board on programs and services for English learners, including:

- 🍁 District-wide English learner needs
- 🍁 District programs, goals, and objectives
- 🍁 District reclassification procedures



Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Redwood ELD
3. Transitioning to High School
 - a. The High School Team
 - b. Transition Meetings
 - c. High School English Learner Support
4. Summer School for SUSD students
5. Feedback and Suggestions





SUSD EL Team

Moira Barker

Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

Markus Puhvel

ELD and 8th Grade Core Teacher at Redwood Middle School

Sherri Wiesner

ELD Teacher, Reading Specialist, Saratoga Elementary

Jenny Eldridge

ELD Teacher, Reading Teacher, Foothill Elementary

Erica Akin

ELD Teacher, Reading Teacher, Argonaut Elementary

Elementary ELD Aides

Dolores Proccocio, Angie Wong, and Gloria Fontanilla

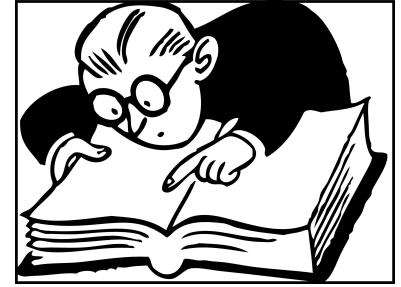
Maggie Chen

Mandarin Translator

Megan Lawson

TOSA in charge of ELD Administration

RMS ELD Program



- Academic Support
 - Homework help
 - Test Taking
 - Accommodating/Modifying Work
- English Practice
 - BRIDGES ELD Curriculum
 - Reading, writing, listening, speaking practice through a variety of assignments/activities
 - iReady



The High School Team

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ELD Teacher

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High School English Learner SHS Schedule

Six or Seven Classes:

- ELD Support
- English 9
- Math
- Science
- World Geo & Health
- PE
- Elective



Results?



- ELPAC Test Scores increased by at least one level
- Most cases two levels
- Often from a Level 1-2
- Or a Level 2-4
- GPA improved
- Went on to take more difficult courses



Benefits: Academic & Beyond

- Academic Support
- Build community
- Field Trip
- English Learner Plan
 - Extended time on schoolwork
 - Use of translator
 - Teaching strategies



ELD: How?

Emphasis/Focus: Academic Language

4 Levels of Classes:

- Level 1A/B: Beginning/Newcomers
- Level 2: Intermediate Level
- Level 3: Advanced
- ALD: Academic Language Development

Curriculum:

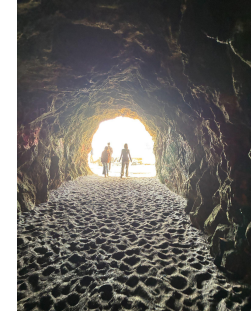
- Academic Language
- Project Based
- Presentations
- Scenarios



Field Trip: San Francisco Walk and Talk, 1/29

- Visit Ocean Beach historical sites
- Walk historical landmarks
- Practice English language skills
- Ride Cable Car
- Shop and eat at local stores

Upcoming Field Trip:
West Valley Junior College



SUSD Summer School

June 15th -- July 10th



- Students are invited to summer school as recommended by their teachers.
- Summer school provides support in reading, writing, math, English language, and Social Emotional education for rising grades 1--8
- No charge for invited students
- All Summer School classes will be at Foothill Elementary



Questions?

Parent Involvement

Join a school group

- Learn more about programs and activities
- Give input

District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)

- Parents, teachers and administrators review our programs for English learners

School Site Council

- Parents and school staff members make school decisions

PTA (Parent-Teacher Association)

- A group at each school raises funds and supports school and classroom activities

Volunteer in your child's school or classroom!!