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ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE (ENL) PROGRAM



ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Benefits for your child!

ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE:

English as a New Language (ENL) is intensive English language instruction by teachers trained in recognizing and working with language differences.

State law requires school districts to provide ENL:

- In elementary schools when there are fewer than 20 English Language Learner/Multilingual Learner (ELL/MLL) students of the same language enrolled in the same grade level in the district and:
- In middle schools and high schools with ELL/MLL student enrollment.

THE ENL PROGRAM:

- An ENL program is a research based program which provides intensive instruction in listening, speaking, reading, writing, and comprehending English.
- An ENL program uses the academic and cultural experience of the student as a platform to provide the appropriate instruction in English.
- For grades Kindergarten through twelve, ENL program shall mean a program of instruction compressed of two components: a content area instructional in English and an English language development component.
- Stand-alone ENL is a unit of study in which students receive instructions in language development in order to acquire the English language needed for success in core content areas.
- Integrated ENL is a unit of study in which ELLs receive instruction in core content areas (ELA, Math, Science or Social Studies) and can be delivered through co-teaching.

PURPOSE OF THE ENL PROGRAM:

- An ENL program develops competence in English.
- An ENL program prepares the student to be successful in all academic subjects.

ENL PROGRAM ENROLLMENT:

Students in kindergarten through high school who speak or hear a language other than English in their home and who have difficulty in English are eligible.

ENL PROGRAM INSTRUCTION:

- All students in ENL must receive instruction in the New York State in English using strategies and methodologies appropriate for them.
- Language arts, reading, mathematics, science, and social studies are integral parts of the New York State Common Core Learning Standards.
- Music, physical education, health and art are al parts of the balanced curriculum that children in the program are required to receive.



TEACHERS RESPONSIBLE FOR TEACHING THE ENL PROGRAM:

Only teachers certified in TESOL can teach ENL classes. These teachers are trained to meet the special language needs of these students.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ENL AND ELA:

- Teachers are appropriately certified by the State of New York to teach English as a New Language.
- Instruction focuses on learning English for effective participation in other classes through ENL Methodology.



PARENTS BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ENL PROGRAM:

- Parental approval is required for students to participate in the program.
- Parents can encourage their child to achieve, provide a place to study, and show interest in schoolwork.
- Parents can ask their child's teacher or principal about becoming more involved in school activities.