DAC Presentation Thursday, February 8, 2024 Aquilina C. Howell Building

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Presentation

Leon County Schools ESOL



Leon County Schools ESOL Department welcomes all Newcomer Families and Students at each Leon County School.

Leon County Schools follows The Consent Decree and the guidelines from FLDOE and SALA in compliance for our students, families, teachers and schools.

The Consent Decree <u>https://www.fldoe.org/academics/eng-language-learners/consent-decree.stml</u> is Florida's framework for compliance within federal and state laws.

The Consent Decree maintains 5 areas:

Identification of Student

Inservice Requirements for Personnel (teachers) of Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students

Access for ELLs to other Programs (Early Childhood, Acceleration, ESE, Extra Curricular, Vocational, Adult Ed., etc.)

Exemptions provided to English Language Le (ELL) (i.e. Pathways documentation for gradue Seniors)

District 3 year ELL plan

During the Registration Process Parents complete a 3 question Home Language Survey (HLS) which triggers a possible ESOL students Once the student is identified as a possible ESOL student the ESOL Coordinator at the student's school has 20/14 school days to screen the student for ESOL services.

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Once students are identified ESOL Coordinators and Teachers work with the students using English Acquisition supplemental materials. Here is Leon County we use Imagine Learning & Imagine Math. These programs provide assistance on all grade levels from Newcomers to secondary coursework.

Students are also given dictionaries, content glossaries, and translation devices (Snap & Read and Pocketalk) to assist in acquiring the English language.

While an ESOL Student:

- Annual ELL Student Plan to guide assistance in instruction
- Four Accommodations to assist with classroom assignments and assessment
 - Flexible Setting
 - Flexible Scheduling
 - Heritage Language
 - Approved Dictionary/Glossary
 - Content Glossaries: <u>https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/metrocenter/language-</u> <u>rbern/resources/bilingual-glossaries-and-cognates</u>
- Daily use of Imagine Learning (ELA) & Imagine Math
- ESOL School Coordinator and Committee to assist with all things needed to be successful at school (i.e.-EPED, 21st Century, Tutoring, Mentor, Volunteers, Acceleration, Transportation, Social-Emotional needs)

- Annual Assessments: WIDA ACCESS for ELLs annual assessment of WIDA Language Development; FLDOE Progress Monitoring
- Exiting ELL: When a student has shown proficiency in the English Language (ACCESS for ELLs-4 or >, Progress Monitoring 3 or>, and class grades of C or higher. The ELL Committee then meets to discuss the levels and growth the student has shown.
- Once a student is exited from ESOL (LY) students maintain use of ESOL Accommodations and ESOL Coordinators continue to monitor/document for 2 years.

Ways we Translate

We have two Leon County Teachers working as Interpreters/Translators in Spanish and Swahili.

Snap & Read is available to all Leon County Schools students through the LCS Website and on their Chromebooks.

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Pocketalk Devices

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Leon County Schools ESOL Population:

- Population 1672 (LP, LY)
- Languages- 47 Languages
- Countries- Students born in 72 Countries
- ESOL Glossary lists: : <u>https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/metrocenter/language-</u> <u>rbern/resources/bilingual-glossaries-and-cognates</u>



Beyond the Walls of Leon County Schools

Community Partners include LCS Adult & Community Education, International Rescue Committee, Florida State University, Florida A&M University, Leon County Public Library, Faith Based Institutions, FLDOE & Student Achievement Through Language Acquisition (SALA) <u>https://www.fldoe.org/academics/eng-language-learners/</u>

ESOL Glossary of Terms (examples)

Home Language Survey— Three questions parents must answer on the Student Survey section of the "LCS Student Registration" form.

Date Entered United States School (DEUSS) - the initial date the student enrolled in any school in any state in the United States. For students born in the US, the DEUSS is the date the student enrolled in kindergarten. DEUSS is used for accountability, starting date for ESOL program, good cause promotion, extension of ESOL services, FTE, and immigrant status eligibility.

ELL Student Plan—Written document that captures the required data entered in FOCUS for an ELL student. Not required for prekindergarten.