### **ESOL Services**

#### **English Speakers of Other Languages**

January 30, 2023

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Under civil rights laws, schools are mandated to identify and provide services to ensure that students with limited English proficiency skills are provided with the supports they need to participate successfully in education programs and achieve high academic standards.



# Identification

#### **Federal Department of Education Mandate**

It is a federal requirement that all students who are English learners be identified within 30 days of enrollment from the beginning of the school year. For students enrolling at the start of the school year, parents/guardians must be notified of their child's English learner status within the same 30-day period. After the start of the school year, SAUs must notify parents/guardians within two weeks of their child's identification.

#### Language Use Survey

#### Maine Department of Education Mandate:

Each School Administrative Unit (SAU) must administer the Maine Department of Education's <u>Language Use Survey</u> to the parent/guardian of every student, pre-kindergarten through 12th grade, enrolling in the SAU for the first time. **The Language Use Survey** is included in our enrollment packet.

#### LANGUAGE USE SURVEY

Student's Name:	Date of Birth:		
School:	Anticipated Grade:		

Please do not leave any question unanswered.

1. What language(s) did your child first speak or understand?

2. What language(s) does your child most easily speak or understand?

3. What language(s) do people use with your child daily?

Parent/	Guardian	Signature:	0
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If the answer to <u>any</u> of the questions lists a language other than English or in addition to English, the student <u>must</u> be screened to determine if they qualify for ESOL services.

#### **WIDA Screener**



Students are identified are screened using the WIDA MODEL Language Screener.

#### Sanford's ESOL Enrollment As of 1/23/2023

October 2020 - 25 October 2021 - 39 October 2022 - 57 January 2023 - 58

Increase in Non-English speakers

Since October 1st - 5 students have transferred in and 4 students have transferred out

- Spanish
- Khmer
- Arabic
- Patois
- Vietnamese
- Thai
- Creole
- Portuguese
- Gujarati
- Chinese



# **ESOL Student Services**

# **ESOL Personal Learning Plans**

ESOL students are required to have a Personalized Learning Plan (PLP) that is reviewed annually.



#### Personal Learning Plan (PLP) – English for Speakers of Other Languages Sanford School Department

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ELL - Personal Learning Plan

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# **Required Services**

- ELs in English language proficiency should receive at least one or two periods of ESOL per day based on the student's level of proficiency.
- Ed Techs, tutors, or other educators cannot provide the core ESOL services required by civil rights law, even under supervision of an ESOL-endorsed teacher.

• ESOL services can be declined by parents/guardians *only* with meaningful consent.

# **ESOL Annual Assessment**

## Annual WIDA Access Testing



#### **4-** Components

• Listening

- Speaking
- Reading
- Writing

# **ESOL Student/Family Support**

• ESOL Staff - Resource & Support

 Meaningful Communication with Parents and Guardians

 Meaningful and Equitable Access to Academics & Extracurricular Programs

## **Questions**?