

English Language Learners

ELL

The program is designed for students whose first language is not English and whose English proficiency level is from beginning to advanced. This class will provide English language development through systematic and explicit instruction of vocabulary, grammar and syntax. The goal of the program is to help students develop their English language skills for reading, writing, speaking, listening, and comprehension in order for the student to achieve high standards which is critical for successful post-secondary school outcomes such as employment, college, and other post-secondary training opportunities. Students receive Systematic English Language Development (ELD) during dedicated times in both a pull out setting as well as within the regular classroom with the assistance of a certified teacher with an ESOL endorsement.

When a student initially enrolls in the school district, their primary home language is identified through the use of a home language survey. The primary questions on this survey include:

- a. What is the student's first language?
- b. What language is spoken at home most of the time?
- c. What language does the student use most often?

A student who answers yes to one or more of the above questions is considered to have a primary language other than English. This initiates the process for identification of ELL services for the student.

For more information you may contact:

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SUTHERLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL	541-459-2551
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For information regarding questions about English Language Learners please contact your student's school or the Student Services Director, Debbie Foley, at the district office (541-459-2228).