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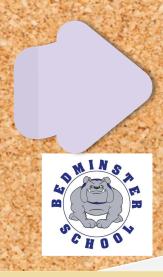
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Who are ELLs?



An English language learner is a student whose native or home language is one other than English.



Newcomers-Children who have recently immigrated to the United States.

Children who have lived in the United States for many years.

Children who were born in the United States.



The term ELL is changing to Multilingual Learner (ML)

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BREAKING NEWS!

 New Jersey making shift to ASSET
 BASED language



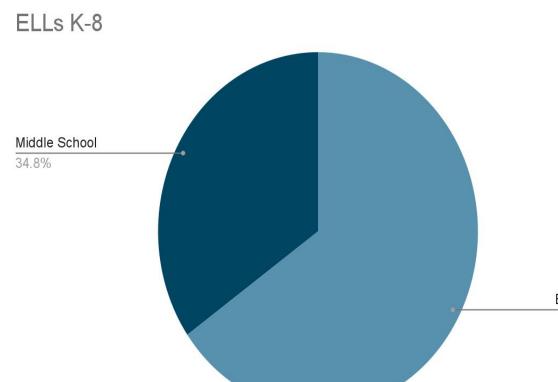
ELLs in the Bedminster Township School District

ELLs receiving services

Recent Home Languages



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- SinhalaSpanishTamil
- Telugu
- Turkish
- Ukrainian

Elementary

65.2%



The Process: from Entry to Exit

Instruction

ACCESS

Exit

Monitoring

- State mandated daily instruction
- Class period is equivalent to that of content area
- Pull-Out/Push-In
- Follow ESL K-8 Curriculum

- State Standardized Assessment
- Administered each spring
- Measures English proficiency levels

- Multiple Criteria
 - ≥ 4.5 ACCESS score
 - Content AreaPerformance
 - Teacher(s)Recommendation

- 2 years
- Re-entry





ELL State and Federal Law



<u>Section 8101 of the ESSA</u> defines English language learners as those who, due to low proficiency in English speaking, reading, writing, or listening, are <u>denied</u>--

- (i) the ability to meet the challenging State academic standards;
- (ii) the ability to successfully achieve in classrooms where the language of instruction is English; or
- (iii) the opportunity to participate fully in society.



Academic developmental program servicing students who do not demonstrate proficiency in the English language.



ELL is not an intervention program. Students cannot be recommended or placed in ELL as an academic support measure.



ELL State and Federal Law



Under the <u>14th Amendment</u> and <u>Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964</u>, school districts cannot deny any services, remedial or enrichment, to any ELL child. If the child is eligible for additional services or programs, he/she must be included in those programs.

Bilingual Code 6A:15-1.7: Students in ESL programs shall have full access to educational services available to other students in the school district.



ELLs are entitled to educational services available to <u>all</u> students: ASI, ESSA grant funded, CST referral



English Language Proficiency Levels

- A student's English language proficiency level is assessed:
 - Upon enrollment with a screening assessment
 - Each spring with WIDA ACCESS for ELLs

Levels of English Proficiency:

- Level 1: Entering
- Level 2: Emerging
- Level 3: Developing
- Level 4: Expanding
- ❖ Level 5: Bridging
- Level 6: Reaching









How to Support ELLs At home



Type of Composite Score	Contribution of Language Domains (By Percent)			
	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
Oral Language	50%	50%	_	_
Literacy	_	1	50%	50%
Comprehension	30%	1	70%	_
Overall	15%	15%	35%	35%

