

San Luis Obispo County Office of Education English Learner Master Plan

SLOCOE Programs:

San Luis Obispo County Office of Education (SLOCOE) Programs include Special Education, Grizzly Challenge Charter School, Court School and Community Schools. For the purposes of this document, the term SLOCOE Programs will be used to refer to the above.

SLOCOE Mission:

The mission of the San Luis Obispo County Office of Education is to promote student success by providing countywide leadership, supporting the work of local school districts, delivering specialized educational services and programs, fostering community partnerships, and demonstrating unyielding advocacy for the diverse needs of all children.

English Learner County Strategic Objectives:

- To support district and school efforts to improve the achievement of English learners as measured by the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC), Alternate ELPAC, Reclassification (R-FEP) data, credit accrual and other district measurements of success.
- To support district and school efforts to increase the number of eligible English learners who complete a secondary program (Certificate of Educational Achievement or Diploma), reclassify as Fluent English Proficient, and earn the State Seal of Bi-literacy.

English Learner Master Plan (ELMP)

The ELMP reflects the recognition that pupils must develop both conversational and academic dimensions of language to be successful in school. SLOCOE Programs are committed to providing English learners with opportunities to develop competence in all aspects of the English language including listening, speaking, reading, writing, and thinking.

The ELMP offers key features of program support for English Learners to develop language and literacy and to access core academic knowledge required to be college and career ready.

Goals for English Language Learners:

- 1. To provide each student with equal access to academic core curriculum.
- 2. To develop grade level appropriate literacy and content knowledge reflected in the CA Standards
- 3. To improve English language proficiency, as rapidly and efficiently as possible, in order that students can participate fully in meaningful instruction and reclassify as Fluent English Proficient.
- 4. To develop academic achievement in all content areas appropriate to grade level standards.
- 5. To promote a strong, positive self-image among English learners that supports student achievement and citizenship and respect, affirm, and build upon the language and culture of each child.

EL Program Responsibilities

Description of Responsibilities	Person/s
Dissemination and Implementation of the Home Language Survey (Appendix A)	Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for ensuring parents complete and submit the Home Language Survey (HLS) upon registration.
	Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for ensuring that this information is forwarded from the student's previous school.
	The Home Language Survey will be filed in the student's cumulative folder.
	For previously enrolled students, the HLS will be forwarded from previous school.
Assessment in English within 30 school days for students new to a California School	Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for ensuring that students that are new to California Public Schools take the ELPAC within 30 days of enrollment. Students whose parents answer a language other than English to the first three questions on the Home Language Survey (HLS) take the ELPAC within 30 days of enrollment.
	Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for ensuring that the English assessment or ELPAC results are forwarded to SLOCOE programs from previous schools within 30 school days of enrollment.
Program Placement & Alternative Program Waivers	Program Coordinators /Designees are responsible for the placement of English learners in the appropriate setting and disseminating information regarding waiver options to parents/guardians.
Annual ELPAC assessment of all English learner students	Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for the coordination and completion of the annual ELPAC.
Reclassification Process	Program Coordinators/Designees, counselors and teachers are responsible for referring students to be reclassified.
	Program Coordinators/Designees, counselors and English Learner specialists are responsible for coordinating and completing the reclassification process.

Recruiting and Professional Development of Staff	SLOCOE Chief Human Resource Officer, Assistant Superintendent of Ed Services, and Principal are responsible for recruiting personnel and providing professional development.
Annual Notification to parent of program placement (Appendix B & C)	Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for annual notification to parents of program placement.
Appropriate Use of Funds	Student Services, Director-LCAP, Ed Services, Court and Community School Principal, Program Coordinator/Designees are responsible for ensuring appropriate use of LCAP Funds.
Site English Learner Advisory Committee	Principal and Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for the coordination and implementation of the English Learner Advisory Committee. (As applicable)
District English Learner Advisory Committee	Assistant Superintendent and Program Coordinators/Designees are responsible for the coordination and implementation of the District English Learner Advisory Committee. (As applicable)
Program Improvement and Evaluation	Assistant Superintendent, Community School Principal, Senior Coordinator, Executive Directors, and Program Coordinators/Designees, teachers, and counselors are responsible for monitoring Program Improvement and Evaluation.

Involvement

Parents, staff, students, and community members participate in developing, implementing, and evaluating core and categorical programs.

The LEA provides parents of English learners with opportunities to be active participants in assisting their children to achieve academically.

Requirements

- I-EL 1. The LEA shall implement outreach to parents of English learners that includes the following:
- (a) The LEA sends notice of and holds regular meetings for the purpose of formulating and responding to the parents' recommendations. (20 U.S.C. § 7012 (e)(2).)
- (b) The LEA informs the parents how they can be involved in the education of their children and be active participants in assisting their children to:
 - 1. Attain English proficiency
 - 2. Achieve at high levels in core academic subjects

- 3. Meet challenging state academic content and achievement standards expected of all students (20 U.S.C. § 7012 (e)(1).)
- (c) A LEA or consortium that has failed to make progress on the annual measurable achievement objectives (AMAO) shall inform parents/guardians of English learners of such failure no later than 30 days after such failure occurs. (20 U.S.C. §§ 6312 (g)(1) (B)(1), 7012 (b).)

Parents are encouraged through newsletters, mail, email, and telephone to participate in school activities, such as regularly held School Site Council meetings and school award presentations. Information is provided how English learners:

- Attain English proficiency.
- · Achieve at high levels in core academic subjects.
- Meet challenging state academic standards expected of all students. (20 USC 7012[e][1])

If 15 percent of the student population at a given site speaks a single language, all communication will be sent home in that language.

Requirements

- I-EL 2. A school site with 21 or more English learners has a functioning English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) that meets the following requirements:
 - (a) Parent members are elected by parents or quardians of English learners. (5 CCR § 11308(b).)
 - (b) Parents of English learners constitute at least the same percentage of the committee membership as their children represent of the student body. (EC § 52176(b).)
 - (c) The school may designate an existing school level advisory committee, or subcommittee of such advisory committee to fulfill the legal responsibilities of ELAC, if the advisory body meets the criteria in (b). (EC §§ 52176 (b)(c), 64001(a), 5 CCR § 11308(d).)
 - (d) The ELAC advises the school site council (SSC) on the development of the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). (EC § 64001(a).)
 - (e) The ELAC advises the principal and staff on the school's program for English learners. (EC § 52176(c).)
 - (f) The ELAC assists in the development of the school's (EC § 53176(c).):
 - 1. Needs assessment.
 - 2. Language Census Report (R30-LC).
 - 3. Efforts to make parents aware of the importance of regular school attendance.
 - (g) The ELAC receives training materials and training, planned in full consultation with committee members, to assist members in carrying out their legal responsibilities. (5 CCR § 11308(d).)
 - (h) Financial resources may be allocated for reasonable expenses (which may include transportation, child care, translation services, meals, and training) of parent advisory groups on bilingual-bicultural education, at the school and school district incurred in the course of their duties as members of the parent advisory groups. (EC § 52168 (b)(4).)
 - (i) The ELAC has the opportunity to elect at least one member to the DELAC or has participated in a proportionate regional representation scheme when there are 31 or more English learner parent advisory committees in the district. (5 CCR § 11308(b).) (EC §§ 35147, 52176(a), 62002.5; 20 U.S.C. §§ 6312 (g)(4), 7012.)

A critical component of any program is parent involvement. Parents are encouraged to participate in the English Learner Advisory Committee and activities that support the educational process through decision making, training, volunteer activities and the creation of partnerships. This affords the best possible input at every level of parent participation.

A functioning English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) advises staff on the development of the English Learner Master Plan, school needs assessment, administration of a language census, and efforts to make parents aware of the importance of regular school attendance. The committee also has the responsibility to advise the administrator on the development of the EL plan and other programs and issues pertaining to English learners. The advisory committee has a membership of EL parents in at least the same percentage as there are EL students at the school.

Where there are 21 or more identified English learners, the Assistant Superintendent or Alternative Education Executive Director, will communicate to the school community the need to establish an ELAC. The following items will be reviewed and presented:

- A general meeting will be called inviting all the parents of EL students.
- The role and responsibility of the ELAC will be explained.
- Nominations for officers from the group will be entertained.
- Officers will be elected for one year.
- Names of the officers will be kept on file.



Governance and Administration

Policies, plans, and administration of categorical programs meet statutory requirements.

Requirements

- II-EL 4. The LEA properly identifies, assesses, and reports all students who have a primary language other than English.
- 4.1 A home language survey (HLS) is used at the time of initial enrollment to determine the student's primary language. (EC § 52164.1(a).)
- 4.2 Within 30 calendar days of initial enrollment, each student whose home language is other than English, as determined by the HLS, is assessed for English proficiency by means of the California English Language Development Test (CELDT). The assessment conducted follows all of the publisher's instructions. (EC § 52164.1 (b); 5 CCR §§ 11307(a), 11511.)
- 4.3 Parents/guardians of English learners are notified of their child's initial English language proficiency assessment results. Parents/guardians of initial fluent English-proficient students are notified of their child's English language proficiency assessment results. (EC § 52164.1(c); 5 CCR § 11511.5.)
- 4.4 For school districts receiving Title III funds, within 30 days after the beginning of the school year (or during the school year, within two weeks of child being placed in program), parents/guardians of English learners are notified of:
- (a) Their child's initial English language proficiency level
- (b) How such level was assessed
- (c) Their child's language designation
- (d) Descriptions of program options, educational strategies, and educational materials to be used in different options

- (e) Program placement
- (f) Exit criteria
- (g) For English learners with a disability [with an Individualized Education Program (IEP)], how such program will meet the objectives of the IEP.
- (h) The expected rate of graduation from secondary school if funds under this part are used for children in secondary school. (20 U.S.C. §§ 6312, 7012.)
- 4.5 For school districts receiving Title III funds, parents/guardians of English learners are informed annually, not later than 30 days after the beginning of the school year, of:
- (a) Their child's English proficiency level
- (b) How such level was assessed
- (c) The status of the child's academic achievement
- (d) Their child's language designation
- (e) Descriptions of program options and educational materials to be used in different options
- (f) Program placement
- (g) Exit criteria
- (h) English learners with a disability (on IEPs), how such program will meet the objectives of the IEP
- (i) The expected rate of graduation from secondary school if funds under this part are used for children in secondary school (20 U.S.C. §§ 6312, 7012.)
- 4.6 Each English learner is annually assessed for English language development and academic progress. (5 CCR § 11306.)
- 4.7 All currently enrolled English learners are assessed for English language proficiency by administering the CELDT during the annual assessment window. (5 CCR § 11511.1(b).)
- 4.8 Each English learner with disabilities is assessed for English language development using accommodations, modifications, or alternate assessments for the CELDT if specified in the pupil's IEP or 504 Plan. (5 CCR § 11516.)
- 4.9 Parents/guardians of English learners are notified annually of their child's English language proficiency assessment results within 30 calendar days following receipt of results of testing from the test contractor. (EC § 52164.1(c); 5 CCR § 11511.5.) (20 U.S.C. § 6312 (g); EC § 313 (a)-(c).)

Students, upon enrollment, who have a primary language other than English are properly identified, assessed, and reported. A Home Language Survey (HLS) (Appendix A) is used to determine the student's primary language and is on file in the cumulative record for each student. The HLS is available in the language of the parent or guardian. Students whose parents answer a language other than English to the first three questions on the HLS take the Initial ELPAC within 30 days of enrollment. Parents are informed of their student's proficiency level and program (Appendix B & C) within 30 days of enrollment. The primary language assessment is administered within 90 calendar days of enrollment.

Districts referring students to SLOCOE School programs are responsible for the initial assessment of students whose home language is other than English as determined by the HLS. English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) results are obtained from the previous schools through the enrollment process.

Staff are annually trained by the San Luis Obispo County Office of Education staff to administer the ELPAC. EL students who start the school year in SLOCOE schools are given the ELPAC during the testing window of February 1 and May 31 each year. Parents of EL students are annually notified in writing of their child's ELPAC assessment results. Notification is mailed and communicated in a language the parent understands as noted in their communication records at the site. A copy of the communication is kept in the student's cumulative file.

SLOCOE students who are enrolled in Special Day Classes and have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) that indicates the need for an alternate language assessment to assess English language proficiency are assessed initially using the Initial Alternate ELPAC and are given a designation of either English Learner or Fluent English Proficient. Those students who receive a designation of EL are assessed annually thereafter using the Summative Alternate ELPAC.



Funding

Allocation and use of funds meet statutory requirements for allowable expenditures.

Requirements

III-EL 9. Adequate general fund resources are used to provide each English learner with learning opportunities in an appropriate program, including English language development, and the rest of the core curriculum. The provision of such services is not contingent on the receipt of state or federal categorical aid funds.

9.1. For the following programs, EIA-LEP and Title III, the LEA uses categorical funds only to supplement the level of Federal, State and local public funds and in no case supplant such Federal, State, and local public funds. (20 U.S.C. §§ 1703(f), 6825(g), 54025(c); Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1010, 1012-1013.)

SLOCOE Implementation

Adequate and basic resources are provided from the general fund budget to provide services to English learners. Supplementary funds are used to support the general program for English learners. Adequate funds and resources are made available to provide EL students with learning opportunities in an appropriate program and with appropriate materials that provide access to both ELD programs and to the core curriculum.

LCAP funds are utilized to provide additional support and materials for ELs. In addition, professional development in ELD and SDAIE is provided for teachers that service English learners.



Standards, Assessment, and Accountability

Categorical programs that meet state standards are based on the assessed needs of program participants, and achieve the intended outcomes of the categorical program.

Requirements

IV-EL 13. The LEA develops and implements a process and criteria to determine the effectiveness of programs for English learners, including:

(a) A means to evaluate how programs for English learners produce within a reasonable period of time: i. English language proficiency comparable to that of average native speakers of English in the district ii. Academic results indicating that English learners are achieving and sustaining parity of academic achievement with students who entered the district's school system already proficient in English (b) An ongoing mechanism for using the procedures described above to improve district-wide and school site EL program implementation and to modify the program, as needed, to ensure that each English learner achieves full proficiency in English and academic achievement at grade level as rapidly as possible. (20 U.S.C. § 1703 (f), 6841; Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1009–1011; EC § 64001(f).)

IV-EL 14. The LEA reclassifies a pupil from EL to proficient in English by using a process and criteria that include, but are not limited to:

(a) Assessment of English language proficiency (ELPAC) (EC § 313(d)(1); 5 CCR § 11303(a).)

- (b) Comparison of pupil's performance in basic skills against an empirically-established range of performance in basic skills based upon the performance of English proficient pupils of the same age that demonstrate whether the pupil is sufficiently proficient in English to participate effectively in a curriculum designed for pupils of the same age whose native language is English (EC § 313(d)(4); 5 CCR § 11303(d).)
- (c) Teacher evaluation that includes, but is not limited to, the pupil's academic performance "Teacher" refers to the classroom teacher and other certificated staff with direct responsibility for teaching or placement decisions of the pupil. (EC § 313(d)(2); 5 CCR § 11303(b).)
- (d) Opportunities for parent opinion and consultation during the reclassification process (EC § 313(d)(3); 5 CCR § 11303(c).)
- 14.1 The LEA maintains in the pupil's permanent record (regardless of the physical form of such record) and to ensure transfer of documentation of the following:
 - (a) Language and academic performance assessments
 - (b) Participants in the reclassification process
 - (c) Decision regarding reclassification (5 CCR §§ 432, 434, 438.)

14.2 The LEA monitors for a minimum of two years the progress of pupils reclassified to ensure correct classification, placement, and additional academic support, if needed. (20 U.S.C. § 6841; 5 CCR § 11304.)

SLOCOE Implementation

SLOCOE Programs Procedure for Reclassification Process:

SLOCOE Criteria for Reclassification (Appendix D):

- Student must receive an overall ELPAC score of 4 or an overall Alternate ELPAC score of 3.
- Student must demonstrate standard met on Smarter Balanced assessments.
- Teachers complete the Curriculum Observation Report & Evaluation (CORE) (Appendix E) review of academic indicators. Students must obtain an average of 3.5.
- For pupils in kindergarten through grade two, the decision to reclassify will be based on ELPAC results, teacher evaluation, parent consultation, and other available assessments.
- Parents or guardians are notified and encouraged to participate in the reclassification process. Parents or guardians are strongly encouraged to participate in a face-to-face reclassification meeting.

Follow-up Monitoring of Reclassified Students:

• A reclassified student's academic progress will be monitored for four years after being reclassified using SLOCOE form (Appendix F).

If the student transfers within that four year period, the new school is notified and student progress continues to be monitored by the new school



Staffing and Professional Development

Staff members are recruited, trained, assigned, and assisted to ensure the effectiveness of the program.

Requirements

V-EL 15. Teachers assigned to provide English language development or access to core curriculum instruction for English learners are appropriately authorized or are actively in training for an appropriate EL authorization.

15.1 A LEA with a documented shortage of teachers authorized to provide such instruction has written, adopted, and implemented policies and procedures to remedy the shortage. (20 U.S.C. §§ 6319 (a)(1), 6826 (c); EC § 44253.1, 44253.2, 44253.3, 44253.10; Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1009-1011.)

SLOCOE Implementation

SLOCOE ensures that all teaching personnel are qualified to provide instructional services to English Learners. Qualified teachers have been assigned to implement daily English Language Development (ELD) instruction and provide access to the core curriculum using Special Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE).

Teachers who do not possess the appropriate EL authorization are notified and required to obtain their authorization and placed on a schedule for completion.

An adequate number of qualified teachers are assigned to provide access to core curriculum instruction. Whenever SDAIE is a vehicle of instruction, the teacher possesses the EL authorization or is in the process of completing requirements.

When the primary language is a vehicle of instruction, the teacher possesses a BCLAD. BCLAD teachers will be used in the alternate programs.

SLOCOE is committed to hiring teachers who have EL authorization.

Requirements

V-EL 16. The LEA provides high-quality professional development to classroom teachers, principals, administrators, and other school or community-based personnel that is:

- (a) Designed to improve the instruction and assessment of English learners (20 U.S.C. § 6825 (c)(2)(A).) (b) Designed to enhance the teacher's ability to understand and use curricula, assessment measures, and instructional strategies for English learners (20 U.S.C. § 6825 (c)(2)(B).)
- (c) Based on research demonstrating the effectiveness of the professional development in increasing the pupil's English proficiency or the teacher's subject matter knowledge, teaching knowledge, and teaching skills (20 U.S.C. § 6825 (c)(2)(C).)
- (d) Of sufficient intensity and duration (which shall not include activities such as one-day or short-term workshops and conferences) to have a positive and lasting impact on the teacher's performance in the classroom (20 U.S.C. § 6825 (c)(2)(D).)

(Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1009-1011.)

SLOCOE school programs provide an in-service training program which results in qualifying existing and future personnel to provide appropriate instructional services to English learners. The program is based on teacher and student needs as determined by surveys and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) recommendations.

Professional development services are provided through various sources and agencies. Staff is encouraged to attend state and county workshops on the ELA-ELD Framework, reading strategies, language acquisition, SDAIE, ELD strategies, and the selection and implementation of appropriate materials.

Additionally, training focused on reading and language development is provided for personnel who work with English learners through:

- Teacher Induction Program (TIP) and Peer Assistance Review (PAR); formal and informal in-service programs structured to provide strategies and methodologies to English learners.
- Site staff development meetings that provide a focus on language development.
- Site level meetings that provide teachers with an opportunity to review student work, school review data, curriculum and lesson plans for the purpose of monitoring effectiveness of program and student academic achievement.

Professional development opportunities are provided for paraprofessionals who work with English learners. Training may be offered on site in conjunction with teacher training or other offsite opportunities designed specifically for paraprofessionals.



Opportunity and Equal Educational Access

Participants have equitable access to all programs provided by the local educational agency as required by law.

Requirements

All pupils are placed in English language classrooms unless a parental exception waiver has been granted for an alternative program.

Based on LEA criteria of reasonable fluency, English learners are placed in structured English immersion (SEI) or in English language mainstream (ELM) program settings. English learners who do not meet the LEA criteria for participation in an ELM are placed in an ELM program at any time during the school year, if the parent or guardian so requests. (5 CCR § 11301.)

The LEA has designed and implemented an SEI English language acquisition process in which the curriculum and instruction are designed for children who are learning the language. (EC §§ 305, 306, 310, and 311.)

SLOCOE Implementation

Structured English Immersion Program

English learners with less than reasonable fluency (ELPAC Proficiency Levels 1 Minimally Developed, and 2 Somewhat Developed) are placed in a Structured English Immersion (SEI) program for a period not normally to exceed one year. If a student has not achieved a reasonable level of fluency at the end of the year, the student

may re-enroll. The SEI program provides a language acquisition process for students in which nearly all classroom instruction is in English, and the curriculum and presentation of content is designed for students learning English as a second language.

Primary language support is used to provide access to the content and to support the learning of the English language. Instruction is provided by a teacher with the appropriate authorization (e.g. CLAD, BCLAD, LDS, SB 2042, Certificate of Completion of Staff Development) and may be supported by a bilingual paraprofessional.

The SEI Program provides academic instruction in English while providing support in the student's native language. Instruction in English accounts for 100% of the instructional day. Subject matter content is taught using the Specially Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE) approach as appropriate.

Students are exited from the SEI Program once a reasonable level of English language proficiency has been reached as measured by state approved assessments.

English Language Mainstream Classroom

English learners with reasonable fluency in English are placed in an English Language Mainstream classroom. The criteria to determine when English learners have acquired reasonable fluency are as follows: students who are assessed to be at Proficiency Levels 3 - Moderately Developed or 4 - Well Developed on the ELPAC and have achieved grade-level proficiency in all core content areas are placed in an English Mainstream program

The English Language Mainstream program is an educational approach intended to develop English literacy and academic skills at grade level. It is designed for students that are either native English speakers or have already acquired reasonable fluency in English. The SLOCOE adopted materials are all in English.

SLOCOE provides services to English learners to ensure that they are acquiring English language proficiency and meeting academic content standards.

Note: A parent or guardian may have his or her child moved into an English language mainstream classroom at any time.

Alternative Program

If twenty or more students of a given grade level request a waiver, an alternative classroom will be established and students will be placed with a BCLAD teacher. The alternative program is a language enrichment program using an educational approach intended to prepare students to become bi-literate in English and Spanish and to be proficient in grade level subject matter. Subject matter is taught in Spanish and English with a greater percentage of English instruction occurring as the student progresses through English language competency. Materials used are appropriate to students who are developing their literacy in Spanish. The materials to be used will be determined if such a class is established.

Requirements

Parents and guardians of ELs are informed of the placement of their children in an English language classroom and are notified of an opportunity to apply for a parental exception waiver for their children to participate in an alternative program.

LEA procedures for granting parental exception waivers include the following:

(a) Parents and guardians are provided, on enrollment and annually, full written, and upon request, spoken descriptions of the structured English immersion program, English language mainstream

program, alternative programs, and all educational opportunities available to the pupil. The descriptions of the programs shall include the educational materials to be used in the different options. (5 CCR §11309(a)(b)(1), EC § 310.)

- (b) Parents and guardians are informed that a pupil must be placed for not less than 30 calendar days in an English-language classroom the first year of enrollment in a California school. (5 CCR § 11309(b)(2), EC § 311.)
- (c) Parents and guardians are informed of any recommendation by the school principal and educational staff for an alternative program and are given notice of their right to refuse the recommendation. (5 CCR § 11309(b)(3), EC § 311.)
- (d) Parental exception waivers are acted on within 20 instructional days of submission to the school principal. However, waivers submitted under EC § 311(c) must be acted on either no later than ten calendar days after the expiration of the 30-day English language classroom placement or within 20 instructional days of submission of the waiver, whichever is later. (5 CCR § 11309(c).)
- 18.2 Parental exception waivers shall be granted unless the school principal and educational staff determines that an alternative program offered at the school would not be better suited for the overall educational development of the pupil. (5 CCR § 11309(b)(4).)
- 18.3 If a waiver is denied, parents and guardians are informed in writing of the reason(s) for denial and advised that they may appeal the decision to the local board of education if such an appeal is authorized by the local board of education, or to the court. (5 CCR § 11309(d).)
- 18.4 Each school in which 20 or more pupils of a given grade level receive a waiver shall be required to offer such a class; otherwise they must allow the pupils to transfer to a public school in which such a class is offered. (EC § 310.)
- 18.5 The IEP team determines placement of each special education student regardless of language proficiency. (34 CFR § 300.324 (2)(ii).)

(20 U.S.C. § 6312(g)(1)(A); EC 48985.)

SLOCOE Implementation

Parents will receive a full description of program options upon enrollment in a SLOCOE school program. The description will outline the educational approach and materials to be used in each of the instructional program choices. Parents will be made aware of the parental waiver process. A written notification in the language of the parent or guardian is sent to the home of each EL student describing the placement of his or her child. This notification is sent to parents within 30 days of enrollment and annually (Appendix B & C).

SLOCOE will review and consider every parental waiver received following the district's policy and procedures. Parental Exception Waivers shall be granted if there are 20 or more waiver requests in a given grade level, unless the school principal and educational staff has determined that an alternative program offered at the school would not be better suited for the overall educational development of the student. If there are fewer than 20 waiver requests in a given grade level, the parent may send the child to a district where such a program is offered.

In cases where a Parental Exception Waiver is denied, the parents and guardians will be informed in writing of the reason for denial and be advised of any procedures to appeal the decision to the local board of education.

Upon approval of the waiver, the school distributes copies of the waiver to:

- 1) The student's cumulative file
- 2) The student's teacher
- 3) The parent



Teaching and Learning

Participants receive core and categorical program services that meet their assessed needs.

VII-EL 20. Each English learner receives a program of instruction in English language development (ELD) in order to develop proficiency in English as rapidly and effectively as possible.

(20 U.S.C. §§ 1703 (f), 6825 (c)(1)(A); EC §§ 300, 305, 306, 310; 5 CCR § 11302(a); Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1009-1011.)

VII-EL 21. Academic instruction for ELs is designed and implemented to ensure that English learners meet the district's content and performance standards for their respective grade levels in a reasonable amount of time.

21.1 The LEA has implemented a plan to assist all English learners to achieve at high levels in the core academic subjects so that those children can meet the same challenging state academic content and achievement standards all children are expected to meet

21.2 The LEA has developed and is implementing a plan for monitoring and overcoming any academic deficits English learners incur while acquiring English. Actions to overcome academic deficits are taken before the deficits become irreparable. (20 U.S.C. §§ 1703 (f), 6312, 6825 (c)(1)(B); EC §§ 306, 310; 5 CCR § 11302(b); Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1009-1011].)

(20 U.S.C. § 6812.)

SLOCOE Implementation

Each English learner receives a program of instruction in English language development in order to develop proficiency in English as rapidly and as effectively as possible. Designated English Language Development is a protected time during the regular school day where the curricular focus is the ELD standards. The SLOCOE Programs provide ELD instruction as a part of the academic core curriculum to EL students. All four domains (listening, speaking, reading, and writing) of the ELD standards are used as a vehicle to move students into the ELA standards as quickly as possible. The Board approved English 3D curriculum is used to provide ELD instruction. Students receive ELD instruction appropriate to their identified language proficiency level.

In Special Education, English learners have access to "Language First" by Leap Frog Schoolhouse, Zoo Phonics and Carousel of Ideas by Ballard and Tighe.

Until such a time that we have assessment data and proficiency ratings for the new ELD Standards, SLOCOE uses the following table to measure ELD progress:

Language Stages	Time in Program
Minimally Developed	1 year
Somewhat Developed	1 year
Moderately Developed	1 year
Well Developed	1 year

Please Note: Court and Community students typically remain in SLOCOE for one year or less. Therefore, these students may not demonstrate level-change growth during their short period of enrollment; however, if students

are not making appropriate progress an Intervention Checklist (Appendix G) will be completed and targeted intervention will be provided.

Requirement

- VII-EL 21. Academic instruction for ELs is designed and implemented to ensure that English learners meet the district's content and performance standards for their respective grade levels in a reasonable amount of time.
- 21.1 The LEA has implemented a plan to assist all English learners to achieve at high levels in the core academic subjects so that those children can meet the same challenging state academic content and achievement standards all children are expected to meet
- 21.2 The LEA has developed and is implementing a plan for monitoring and overcoming any academic deficits English learners incur while acquiring English. Actions to overcome academic deficits are taken before the deficits become irreparable. (20 U.S.C. §§ 1703 (f), 6312, 6825 (c)(1)(B); EC §§ 306, 310; 5 CCR § 11302(b); Castañeda v. Pickard [5th Cir. 1981] 648 F.2d 989, 1009-1011].)

(20 U.S.C. § 6812.)

SLOCOE Implementation

English learners will meet the district's content and performance standards for their respective grade levels in core curricular areas. Access to content and performance standards will be differentiated for all EL students. Students at ELD levels one through five will be provided access to the content through SDAIE and/or primary language support. Lessons, curriculum, and materials appropriate to English learners will be used based on (grade level content standards

SLOCOE Court and Community Schools serve students in grades 7-12 who are enrolled for a temporary period of time. Nearly all students are credit and/or academically deficient. Therefore, multi-year timelines establishing benchmark standards are not appropriate measurement devices. Students are assessed upon entry and goals appropriate to their anticipated stay in SLOCOE programs and are established based upon the students' current language and academic levels.

SLOCOE Special Education Programs serve students in grades Pre-K through 12. For the Severely Handicapped population, goals and objectives are developed in accordance with the Curriculum Guide for Students with Moderate to Severe Disabilities published by Lakeshore and developed by a committee of Special Education Administrators of County Offices. The Curriculum Guide aligns functional skill goals with standards-based core curriculum and includes ELD.



HOME LANGUAGE SURVEY ENGLISH VERSION

Name	of Student:					
Surname / Last Name School: Age:		First Given Name		Second Given Name		
		Age:	Grade Level: Teacher Nai			
Directi	ons to Paren	ts and Guardians:				
		cation Code contains legal requessential in order for the school				en in the home of each student.
below		as possible. For each questic				each of the four questions listed ovided. Please do not leave any
1.	Which lang	uage did your child learn when	he/she first bega	n to talk?		
2.	Which lang	uage does your child most freq	uently speak at h	ome?		
3.		uage do you (the parents or gu king with your child?	ardians) most fre	quently use		
4.		uage is most often spoken by a uardians, grandparents, or any		e?		
Please	e sign and da	te this form in the spaces provi	ded below, then r	eturn this form to your child'	s teacher. Thank yo	ou for your cooperation.
				_		
Signat	ure of Parent	t or Guardian			Date	



ANNUAL PARENT NOTIFICATION LETTER Federal Title III and State Requirements

Date:			
To the Parent(s) or Guardian(s) of:	School:		
English Learner Proficiency level:			
Minimally Developed — 1; Somewhat Developed — 2; Moderately	Developed — 3; Well Developed — 4		
Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s): Each year, we are required by law to English. We must also provide you with the school's recommendation for program options. This letter also explains how we decide when a student is	program placement and describe all available		
Based on these results, your child has been identified as an:			
English Learner (EL) with less than reasonable fluency in E Somewhat Developed levels) and assigned to the Structured English			
English Learner (EL) with reasonable fluency in English Developed levels) and assigned to the English Language Mainst			
Check if applicable:			
Individualized Education Program (IEP) on file English Learners who are also identified as learning disabled are	assigned according to their IEP.		
Academic Achievement Resu	lts		
For information about your child's academic achievement, please refer to the contact your child's school.	ne CAASP reports previously sent to you or		
Reclassification (Exit) Criteri	a		
The goal of the English Learner Program is for students to become fully proficient in English and to master state standards for academic achievement as rapidly as possible. This district's reclassification criteria are listed below:			
San Luis Obispo County Office of Education Recla	ssification Criteria		
English Proficiency – Overall ELPAC score of 4 or an overall A	Alternate ELPAC score of 3		
Scored at the Standard Met for Smarter Balanced	l assessments		
Parental Opinion and Consultation			
Teacher Evaluation			



NOTIFICACION INICIAL PARENTAL Título Federal III y Requisitos Estatales

Fecha:	
A los padres/tutores de: Escuela:El nivel de dominio de inglés del niño es	
El nivel de dominio de inglés del niño es	
Estimados padres o tutores: Al inscribir a su hijo en la escuela, usted indicó que el idioma nativo de su hijo o que el idioma que más se habla en casa, no es el inglés. En cumplimiento de la ley, se evaluaron las habilidades en inglés su hijo en el dominio oral, en lectura, y en escritura.	
Minimally Developed — 1; Somewhat Developed — 2; Moderately Developed— 3; Well Developed — 4	
Dominio de INGLES Nivel general en el ELPAC:	
Nivel Auditivo : Nivel de Habla: Nivel de Lectura: Nivel de Escritura:	
Como función de estos resultados, se identificó al estudiante como:	
English Learner (EL) o estudiante de inglés como segunda lengua con una fluidez en inglés menos o razonable [Minimally Developed — 1; Somewhat Developed— 2] y fue asignado al Programa Inmersión Estructurada en Inglés.	
☐ English Learner (EL) estudiante de inglés como segunda lengua con una fluidez en inglés razona [Moderately Developed—3; Well Developed—4] y fue asignado al Programa en Inglés Regular.	ble
Marque si corresponde:	
Individualized Education Program (IEP) Programa Individualizado de Educación Especial Estudiantes de ingles como segunda idioma que también han sido identificados con deficiencias academic son asignados a clases según su IEP.	cas
Resultados de los logros académicos	
Para información académica de su hijo/a favor de revisar el reporte de CAASP que se manda anualmente.	
Criterios de reclasificación (salida)	
El objetivo del programa para estudiantes de inglés como segunda lengua es que los estudiantes domir completamente el inglés y que dominen las normas de aprendizaje estatales para obtener el logro académico tan ráp como sea posible. A continuación se detallan los criterios de reclasificación del distrito:	
Criterios exigidos por La Oficina de Educación del Condado de San Luis Obispo	
Dominio del Inglés: Puntaje ELPAC general de 4 o puntaje ELPAC alternativo general de 3	
Calificado en el Estándar Met para evaluaciones Smarter Balanced	
Consulta y opinión de los padres	
Evaluación del maestro	



INITIAL PARENT NOTIFICATION LETTER

Federal Title III and State Requirements

Date:				
To the Parent(s) or Guardian(s) of: School:				
English Learner Proficiency level:				
Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s): When you enrolled your child in school, you indicated that your child's first language most frequently spoken in your home, is other than English. As required by law, your child'd En language skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing have been assessed.				
Minimally Developed — 1; Somewhat Developed — 2; Moderately Developed — 3; Well Developed — 4				
English Proficiency ELPAC Overall Level:				
Listening Level: Speaking Level: Reading Level: Writing Level:				
Based on these results, your child has been identified as an:				
English Learner (EL) with less than reasonable fluency in English (students scoring at Minimally or Somewhat Developed levels) and assigned to the Structured English Immersion Program.				
English Learner (EL) with reasonable fluency in English (students scoring at Moderately or Developed levels) and assigned to the English Language Mainstream Program.	weii			
Check if applicable: Individualized Education Program (IEP) on file English Learners who are also identified as learning disabled are assigned according to their IEP.				
Academic Achievement Results				
For information about your child's academic achievement, please refer to the CAASP reports previously sent to you or				
contact your child's school. Reclassification (Exit) Criteria				
The goal of the English Learner Program is for students to become fully proficient in English and to master state standards for academic achievement as rapidly as possible. This district's reclassification criteria are listed below:				
San Luis Obispo County Office of Education Reclassification Criteria				
English Proficiency – Overall ELPAC score of 4 or an overall Alternate ELPAC score of 3				
Scored at the Standard Met for Smarter Balanced assessments				
Parental Opinion and Consultation				
Teacher Evaluation				

Description of Program Placement Options and Goals for English Learners

All programs include English Language Development (ELD) and teaching strategies differentiated for each student's level of English language proficiency. These strategies are used to help each student reach proficiency in listening, speaking, reading and writing English language, and succeed academically in all core subjects.

• Structured English Immersion (SEI): Students who score at less than reasonable fluency are placed in an SEI Program and are taught overwhelmingly in English. Some assistance may be provided in the primary language.

Students are taught ELD and other core subjects by authorized teachers using district-adopted textbooks and supplementary materials. Instruction is based on ELD and grade-level content standards.

• English Language Mainstream (ELM): Students who score at reasonable fluency in English are placed in an ELM Program.

They are taught ELD and other core subjects by authorized teachers using district-adopted textbooks and supplementary materials. Instruction is based on ELD and grade-level content standards. Students receive any additional instruction needed for them to be reclassified as fluent English proficient.

• Alternative Program (ALT): Students with an approved "Parental Exception Waiver"**** are taught core subjects in their primary language. They receive instruction in ELD in English. Teachers must receive special training to work in such a program and be authorized to deliver primary language instruction. District-adopted textbooks and supplementary instructional materials are used. Instruction is based on ELD and grade-level content standards. Students receive any additional instruction needed for them to be reclassified as fluent English proficient. Currently, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education does not have an Alternative Program.

**** Parents/Guardians have the right to request a "Parental Exception Waiver" for an Alternative Program.

California law gives parents the right to request that their child be placed in an Alternative Program. To do so, you must visit your child's school to apply for a "Parental Exception Waiver" each year. Your child must meet **one** of the following requirements: a) knows English and performs academically at least at fifth grade level; b) is ten years of age or older; or c) is a student under ten years of age who has been in an English language classroom for 30 calendar days, and has special needs.



NOTIFICACION ANUAL PARENTAL Título Federal III y Requisitos Estatales

Fecha:			
A los padres/tutores de: Escuela:			
De acuerdo con los resultados de la Prueba para Medir el Desarrollo del Inglés en California (conocida en inglés como ELPAC), el nivel de dominio de inglés del niño es			
Minimally Developed — 1; Somewhat Developed (<i>Early Intermediate</i>) — 2; Moderately Developed— 3; Well Developed — 4			
Estimados padres o tutores: Todos los años estamos obligados por ley de notificarles el nivel de dominio de inglés de su niño/a. Además debemos brindarles la recomendación de la escuela sobre la ubicación en el programa y describir todas las opciones de programas disponibles. En esta carta también se explica cómo decidimos cuando un estudiante se encuentra listo para salir del programa de estudiantes de inglés como segunda lengua.			
Como función de estos resultados, se identificó al estudiante como:			
English Learner (EL) o estudiante de inglés como segunda lengua con una fluidez en inglés menos que razonable [niveles [Minimally Developed — 1; Somewhat Developed— 2] y fue asignado al Programa de Inmersión Estructurada en Inglés.			
English Learner (EL) estudiante de inglés como segunda lengua con una fluidez en inglés razonable [Nivel Moderately Developed— 3; Well Developed — 4y fue asignado al Programa en Inglés Regular.			
Marque si corresponde:			
☐ ☐ Individualized Education Program (IEP) Programa Individualizado de Educación Especial Estudiantes de inglés como segunda idioma que también han sido identificados con deficiencias academicas son asignados a clases según su IEP.			
Resultados de los logros académicos			
Para información académica de su hijo/a favor de revisar el reporte de CAASP que se manda anualmente.			
Criterios de reclasificación (salida)			
El objetivo del programa para estudiantes de inglés como segunda lengua es que los estudiantes dominen completamente el inglés y que dominen las normas de aprendizaje estatales para obtener el logro académico tan rápido como sea posible. A continuación se detallan los criterios de reclasificación del distrito:			
Criterios exigidos por La Oficina de Educación del Condado de San Luis Obispo			
Dominio del Inglés: Puntaje ELPAC general de 4 o puntaje ELPAC alternativo general de 3			
Calificado en el Estándar Met para evaluaciones Smarter Balanced			
Consulta y opinión de los padres			
Evaluación del maestro y acumulación de crédito			

Descripción de los objetivos y de las opciones de ubicación en el programa para los estudiantes de inglés como segunda lengua

Todos los programas incluyen el Desarrollo del Inglés Como Segunda Lengua (conocido en inglés como ELD) y estrategias de enseñanza diferenciadas para el nivel de dominio del inglés de cada estudiante. Dichas estrategias se utilizan para ayudar a los estudiantes a dominar la expresión oral, lectura y expresión escrita en inglés así como también en conseguir el éxito académico en todas las materias requeridas.

- Inmersión Estructurada en Inglés (conocida en inglés como SEI). Los estudiantes que obtienen como resultado una fluidez menos que lo razonable son ubicados en un programa de SEI y la enseñanza en la mayor parte se brinda en inglés. Se puede proporcionar asistencia en la lengua materna. Maestros autorizados les enseñan ELD y otras materias requeridas mediante el uso de libros de texto y materiales suplementarios adoptados por el distrito. La enseñanza se basa en las normas de aprendizaje estatales contenidos en el grado escolar y del ELD.
- Clases en Inglés Regulares (conocido en inglés como ELM). Los estudiantes que obtienen como resultado una fluidez razonable en inglés son ubicados en el programa ELM. Maestros autorizados les enseñan ELD y otras materias requeridas mediante el uso de libros de texto y materiales suplementarios adoptados por el distrito. La enseñanza se basa en las normas de aprendizaje estatales contenidos en el grado escolar y del ELD. Los estudiantes reciben toda la instrucción adicional que sea necesaria para ser reclasificados como estudiantes con dominio fluido del inglés.
- Programa Alternativo (conocido en inglés como ALT). Se les enseñan materias requeridas dictadas en su lengua materna a aquellos estudiantes que tengan una "Solicitud de exención presentada por los padres" aprobada.**** A la instrucción en ELD la reciben en inglés. Los maestros deben recibir una capacitación especial para trabajar en dicho programa. Utilizan los libros de texto y materiales didácticos suplementarios adoptados por el distrito. La enseñanza se basa en las normas de aprendizaje estatales contenidos en el grado escolar y del ELD. Los estudiantes reciben toda la instrucción adicional que sea necesaria para ser reclasificados como estudiantes con dominio fluido del inglés. La Oficina de Educación de San Luis Obispo no tiene un programa alternativo. Si usted desea una Solicitud de exención presentada por los padres, pueden visitar la oficina escolar para obtenerla.

**** Los padres/tutores tienen el derecho de presentar una "Solicitud de exención presentada por los padres" para que el niño participe en un programa alternativo.

La legislación de California les otorga a los padres el derecho de solicitar que el niño sea ubicado en un Programa Alternativo. Para tal fin, cada año debe visitar la escuela del niño y presentar una "Solicitud de exención presentada por los padres". Su niño debe cumplir **uno** de los siguientes requisitos: a) saber inglés y tener estudios académicos al menos hasta el quinto grado escolar; b) tener diez años de edad o más; o c) ser un estudiante menor de diez años de edad y haber estado en un salón de clases del idioma inglés durante 30 días civiles y tener necesidades especiales.

NOTA: En cualquier momento durante el año escolar, el niño/a puede ser ubicado en el Programa en Inglés Regular.

Favor de llamar a la escuela 805-543-7732 si quiere establecer una reunión de padres para analizar las opciones de ubicación en el programa para el niño/a.



Reclassification Form

	Name of Student:		
	Date:		
	Expected Reclassification Date:	earner Contact Person:	
		earrier Contact Ferson.	
		Check each item that applies	
	Student must receive an overal <i>ELPAC results</i> .	II ELPAC score of 4 or an overall Alternate ELPAC so	core of 3. Include
	Student must demonstrate stan	ndard met on Smarter Balance assessments.	
teac resp	cher, principal/designee, determine consible for low performance and w	elow the cut point, school personnel, including the so whether factors other than English language proficien/ hether it is reasonable to reclassify the student. For determine reclassification eligibility.	ency are
	Describe reasons the student s	hould be reclassified. Provide evidence as applicable	e:
		ready for reclassification and no longer needs supportation Report and Evaluation. Include CORE form.	ort due to language
Tea	cher Signature:	DATE	_
Adn	ninistrator/Principal:	<u>DATE</u>	_
Pare	ent Consultation	<u>DATE</u>	

Appendix E – C.O.R.E.

San Luis Obispo County Office of Education Court and Community Schools C.O.R.E.

Curriculum Observation Report & Evaluation

Limited English Proficient (LEP) students will be reclassified Fluent English Proficient (FEP) after demonstrating English Language Proficiency comparable to that of the average native speakers in the school's regular instructional program. Please rate the student's performance in your classroom's core curriculum on a scale of 1 to 6.

Student's Name:		Date	:	Grade:	Teacher:	
Curriculum Area	Exceptional 6	Commendable 5	Competent 4	Adequate 3	Limited 2	Minimal 1
Reading	Ü					I
Writing						
Mathematics						
Hist./Soc. Sci.						
Science						
Subtotals						
Add the subtotals to de	etermine the grand tota	ress/achievement in eac l. Divide this number by the tenglish Proficient (FEF	5 to obtain the average	e score. A C.O.R.E. ave	erage of 3.5 is needed to	redesignate a studer
Grand Total						
Average	·					

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MONITORING OF RECLASSIFIED STUDENTS To Be Completed for 4 Years							
Student Name:	Reclassification Date	e: Today's Date:					
Grade Level:							
School:	EL Coordinator Signa	iture:					
Circle correct follow-up:							
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4				
	Teacher Evaluation	n of Basic Skills					
	Are language gaps inte Circle one for ea						
Listening Comprehension	No, not at all	Sometimes	Often				
Oral Communication	No, not at all	Sometimes	Often				
Reading Comprehension	No, not at all	Sometimes	Often				
Written Communication	No, not at all	Sometimes	Often				
If circled "Often", explain:	If circled "Often", explain:						
English Language Arts Student meets established grade level achievement criteria in ELA equivalent to the expectations established for grade level peers Yes No ELA Rubric Score (K-5): Must be a "2" or above, if lower than 2, please explain:							
ELA Grade C (6-8): Must be a "C" or above, if student	lower than a C, please explain:						
	Interve	ntions					
1) Complete Attached Intervention Checklist							
2) Recommended Interventions (check all you recommend):							
In class interventions provided by teacher							
After School Tutoring/Homework Program Additional Reading Interventions							
Summer School	Summer School						
Other (list in teacher commo	ent drea)						
Teacher comment:							

IN CLASS INTERVENTION CHECKLIST

Name	e:Date:
Teacher Signature:	
Check	k each intervention used.
	Listening Comprehension
	Student has been taught how to ask clarifying questions when he/she doesn't understand or needs
	clarification. (What did you mean when you said, I'm not sure how to do the next step).
	Student is given <i>multiple opportunities</i> in class <i>to hear</i> high frequency academic and content vocabulary. Academic vocabulary is explained in multiple ways.
	Teacher provides opportunities for student to <i>paraphrase</i> directions for class assignments and/or homework.
	<u>Teacher</u> summarizes key concepts of daily lessons.
	Teacher provides opportunities for <u>student</u> to summarize key concepts of daily lessons.
	Teacher checks for understanding of content presented.
	Teacher builds background for content presented.
	Teacher uses visuals (graphic organizers, movie clips, pictures, realia).
	Oral Communication
	During class discussions, student is provided with ample (<u>safe</u>) opportunities in class to answer questions; student is given wait time to answer questions.
	Student is given <i>sentence starters</i> or <i>sentence frames</i> to organize his/her oral answers on an ongoing basis.
	During class discussions, student is given the opportunity to share his/her idea(s) with another student <u>before</u> answering a question in front of the class.
	Written Communication
	Teacher conducts a conference with student regarding <i>specific language gaps</i> to target (syntax, spelling, sentence complexity, sentence variation, word choice).
	Student has <i>access to a dictionary</i> that provides clear, concise definitions of words.
	Reading Comprehension
	Guided <i>reading passages are "chunked"</i> so that student has frequent opportunities to interact with the text and ask clarification questions.
	Students are given clear, concise definitions of words.
	Teacher regularly emphasizes high frequency academic vocabulary and ensures comprehension.
	Reading strategies are reinforced (summarizing, predicting, questioning, inferring, connecting,
	reflecting, and identifying text features).
	Teacher Initiated Monitoring
	Conference with student regarding academic performance
	Agreement regarding academic and/or language goals
	Grade printout/current assessments reviewed
	Set time and date for individual help on assignments
	Check student planner for class assignments
	Parent phone call
	Given information on after school tutoring
	Discussed non-academic issues of concern to student
	Binder/Planner organization check
	Review test taking strategies
	Agree on days to attend after school tutoring