

# <u>DISTRICT ENGLISH LEARNERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DELAC)</u>

Meeting Location: Virtual Meeting Date: January 25, 2022 Time: 5:30-6:30 PM

### **Minutes**

I. The meeting was called to order at 5:30

Attendees: Sonia Franco (River) Adriana and Joel Carillo (River), Yesenia Lopez (River), Erandy Hernandez (River), Sandra Cortez (Pacific), Nora Matosian (Citrus), Ana Gutierrez (River), Monica Mendez (Vista), Alejandra Caliz (River), Bernardo Zeferino (Vista), Wendy Zazueta (Vista), Jose Gomez (River), Pamela Fernandez (Empire), Gabriela Salgado (Empire), Carlos Rodriguez (River), Anna Ornelas, Kim Bagby, Lilly Miranda, Ana Celis

Purpose of District English Learners Advisory Committee (DELAC) *To advise on:* 

	1.	Development or revision of a district master plan of education programs and services for English learners.
	2.	Conducting a district-wide needs assessment on a school-by-school basis.
	3.	Establishment of district programs, goals, and objectives for programs and services for English learners (e.g., parental exception waivers, funding, LCAP).
	4.	Development of a plan to ensure compliance with any applicable teacher and instructional aide requirements.
	5.	Administration of the annual language census (e.g., procedures and forms).
Х	6.	Review and comment on the district's reclassification procedures.
X	7.	Review and comment on the written notifications required to be sent to parents and guardians.
	8.	Review EL data and LCAP (SPSA) Actions and Services

#### III. Reports - None

- Actions based on last year's DELAC input
  - New fall EL notice letter

Parents were informed that they should have received a letter in the mail with their student's Summative ELPAC score. This letter included the student's score, what level they are expected to score to reclassify, and what they needed to improve on in order to get to the next level. Took note of the parents who said they didn't receive a letter and will review our process to ensure we have correct parent information.

- New curriculum based on expected growth
   Some parents stated that Spanish speaking parents have difficulty using their lessons
   with their students. Additional support is needed for parents who are less comfortable
   with English.
- Increased training for teachers and administrators

## IV. New Business

Reclassification procedures

At grade level -CAASPP next year (iReady be back up?)
Recommendation to use iReady scores along with CAASPP scores to determine if the student is at grade level. IReady allows the students to test in a relaxed environment vs CAASPP where students might not do their best due to anxiousness.

- Fall EL notice changed this year
  - o ELPAC scores

- What is needed to reclassify
   Students must score a 4 on the initial ELPAC or the Summative ELPAC in order to reclassify.
- Skills for each domain to work on
- Initial ELPAC notice (no parents)
   No parents were in attendance whose students had taken the initial ELPAC. No feedback was given.

### V. Public Comment

Some parents expressed that their students are not getting enough support. Some students weren't receiving homework that helped them progress in their EL goals while others were unclear regarding what supports were being provided in the classroom. The assessment department will follow up with teachers and administrators of each student.

The majority of parents are having a hard time having students do their homework. Parents need help explaining homework to their kids. At our next meeting we will share a resource to help parents with this.

Parents also expressed that students refuse to speak Spanish at home. The assessment department will be creating training for teachers and administrators about culturally responsive instruction as well as valuing biliteracy.

- VI. Questions, Comments, Recommendations, Sharing Best Practices at Sites

  One parent suggested parents login 15 minutes earlier to do introductions and to set up their translation if needed.
- VII. Parent Education/Resources and Announcements
  - DELAC/ Meeting Calendar for the year
    - Videos transcribed into Spanish
- VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm

Next Meeting: March 1, 2022 5:30 -6:30 P.M. Zoom Meeting