



# Arizona Department of Education Office of English Language Acquisition Services

## Bilingual Parental Waiver Request Application

This application is used by parents to request an alternative to English Language Education as specified in A.R.S. §15-753. Parent/Guardian of an English learner must complete this application annually per A.R.S. §15-752.

District Name		School Name	SSID
Parent/Guardian Last Name		First Name	
Student's Last Name		First Name	Middle Initial
Address			
City		State <b>Arizona</b>	Zip Code
Native Language of Student		School year for which the waiver is requested	Grade

- I have personally visited my child's school.
- I have been provided with a full description of the educational materials to be used in the different educational program choices and all the educational opportunities available to my child.
- I am applying for a waiver to remove my child from an English language or Structured English Immersion classroom placement.

**Reason for waiver request (to be verified by school district):** The student has met at least one (1) of the three (3) circumstances for which a parental exception waiver may be applied (A.R.S. §15-753).

**At least one of the following circumstances must be checked:**

- Waiver 1** (A.R.S. §15-753B.1) **My child already knows English:** the child already possesses good English language skills, as measured by oral evaluation or standardized tests of English vocabulary comprehension, reading, and writing, in which the child scores approximately at or above the state average for his/her grade level or at or above the 5<sup>th</sup> grade average, whichever is lower; or,
- Waiver 2** (A.R.S. §15-753B.2) **My child is 10 years or older:** it is the informed belief of the school principal and educational staff that an alternate course of educational study would be better suited to the child's overall educational progress and rapid acquisition of basic English language skills as documented by the analysis of individual student needs; or,
- Waiver 3** (A.R.S. §15-753B.3) **My child has special individual needs:** the child already has been placed for a period of not less than thirty calendar days during this school year in an English language classroom and it is subsequently the informed belief of the school principal and educational staff that the child has such special and individual physical or psychological needs, above and beyond the student's lack of English proficiency, that an alternate course of educational study would be better suited to the student's overall educational development and rapid acquisition of English. A written description of no less than 250 words documenting these special individual needs for the specific child must be provided and permanently added to the child's official school records and the waiver application must contain the original authorizing signatures of both the school principal and the local superintendent of schools.

I understand that I must apply for this waiver on an annual basis. **I was fully informed of my right to refuse to agree to this waiver.**

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date

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Signature of School Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature of Superintendent (Required Only for Waiver 3)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

<input type="checkbox"/> Application Granted
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Rejected

**The signed and completed application with test results or basis for determination shall be kept on file by the LEA.** (Revised 05-2023)