SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR CHECK-IN DUAL LABELED STUDENTS

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WHY ARE WE HERE?

Our purpose today is for EL Administrators and Special Education Directors to learn more about Arizona's new program implementations and state and federal policies that impact our English learners with disabilities.

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CCSSO Definition of EL with Disabilities:

English Learners with disabilities (ELs with disabilities) are students whose native language is not English, who do not yet possess sufficient English language proficiency to fully access content that is in English, and who have disabilities as identified through IDEA or Section 504.

https://ccsso.org/sites/default/files/2017-11/CCSSO ELSWD Guide_Final 11 11 2017.pdf

AGENDA

Myth Busting

Arizona's Legislative Context

Arizona's Language Development Approach

SEI Models & ELP Standards

Dual Labeled Students FAQ

ACRONYMS

AZELLA	Arizona English Language Learner Assessment
ccsso	Council of Chief State School Officers
EL	English Learner
ELD	English Language Development
ELPS	English Language Proficiency Standards
LDA	Language Development Approach
SEI	Structured English Immersion

TOPIC 1

MYTH BUSTING

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A child must not be determined to be a child with a disability if the determinant factor is limited English Proficiency.

FACT!

Arizona Statute 15-761(2)(b)(iii) states that eligibility cannot be determined "if the determinant factor for the classification is...difficulty in writing, speaking or understanding the English language due to an environmental background in which a language other than English is primarily or exclusively used."

The prevalence of language impairment (LI) disorders is more for ELs than for monolingual English speakers.

FICTION!

Despite their LI, DLLs/ELs are not at greater risk for language learning difficulty than monolingual children with LI, attesting to the remarkable capacity of children to acquire two languages despite an underlying impairment.

Children with disabilities get confused and overwhelmed by learning or being exposed to more than one language. They have significant difficulty learning one language; hence, additional languages will make language acquisition more difficult for them.

FICTION!

There is no evidence that those with disabilities get confused or overwhelmed or have additional difficulties with or negative consequences from learning two (or more) languages.

(Chen and Gutiérrez-Clellen, 2013; Gutiérrez-Clellen, 2000; Hambly and Fombonne, 2012; Kay-Raining Bird et al., 2016).

ELs placed in general education classrooms, where they are learning alongside their non-EL peers, become proficient in English faster.

FACT!

Research shows that language development cannot be separated from content knowledge development. Students learn content using language, and students learn language while engaging with content. Students learn more about both content AND language while learning how language works within the context of a discipline.

Heritage, Walqui & Linquanti, 2015

The IEP Team of an EL should always include a Language Acquisition Specialist.

FACT!

The IEP must reflect ways in which instruction will support all needs of ELs with disabilities, including language needs. Only a specialist trained in language acquisition can support these decisions.

The IEP Team has the authority to make decisions that "trump" or overrule any other state and federal EL policy, i.e., AZELLA, SEI Models, etc.

FICTION!

The IEP Team decisions must be in accordance with all state and federal EL policy requirements.

The <u>ONLY</u> way for an EL to exit from EL Status is for the student to demonstrate English language proficiency on the AZELLA assessment.

FACT!

Students who test proficient on the AZELLA meet the exit procedures and are no longer an EL for ESEA purposes. Title III funds can no longer be used for services for that student. This applies to an EL with a disability as well.

TOPIC 2

ARIZONA'S LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

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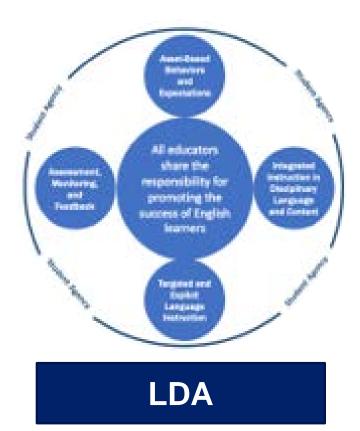
SB1014 - EL legislation passed and signed into law on February 14, 2019

- Changed minimum required daily minutes of ELD to:
- 120 minutes K-5
- 100 minutes 6-12

A. The state board of education shall adopt and approve research-based models of structured English immersion for school districts and charter schools to use. The department of education shall provide adequate staff support for the state board to comply with this article.

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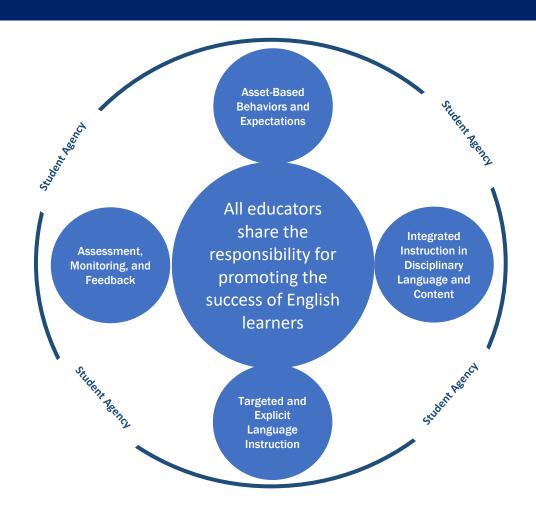




TOPIC 3

ARIZONA'S LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT APPROACH

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4 PRINCIPLES OF ARIZONA'S LDA

Principle 1: Asset-Based Behaviors & Expectations

Presents a renewed vision of the **learner**.



Principle 2: Integrated Instruction in Disciplinary Language and Content

Presents a renewed vision of learning.



Principle 3: Targeted and Explicit Language Instruction

Presents a renewed vision of language.



Principle 4: Assessment, Monitoring & Feedback

Presents a renewed vision of learner progress.



A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO ELD

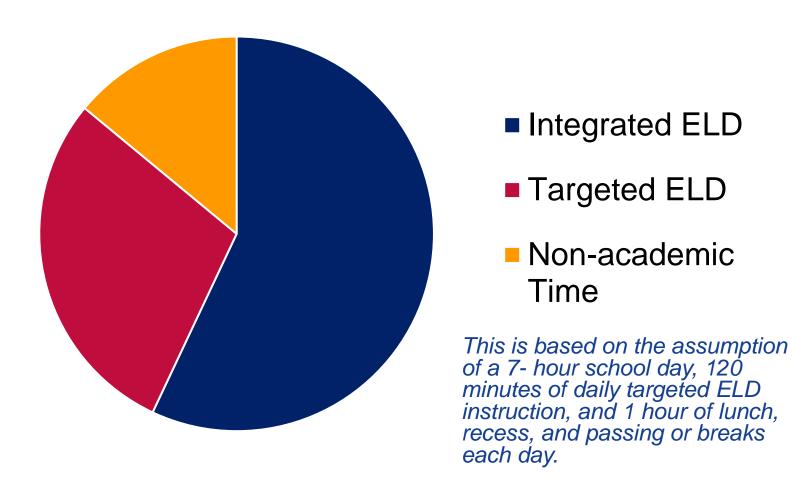
Integrated ELD

- Occurs throughout the day, and is designed for optimum EL engagement in content (e.g., ELA, science, art, math, etc.)
- Focus on access to grade-level content and development of discipline specific academic language
- All teachers with ELs in their classrooms use ELP Standards in tandem with Arizona's ELA/Literacy and other content standards

Targeted ELD

- A protected time during the day for specialized instruction focused on language for EL students
- Focus on additional linguistic
 support ELs need delivered through systematic, explicit, sustained focus on language
- Teachers responsible for targeted ELD use the ELP Standards as the focal standards in ways that build into and from content instruction

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO ELD INTEGRATED & TARGETED ELD



CHECK IN: MENTIMETER

How is the LDA and its
Principles different from
Arizona's previous
approach to English
language development?



TOPIC 4

OVERVIEW OF SEI MODELS & 2019 ELP STANDARDS

APPROVED MODELS

- Pull-Out Model
- Two-Hour Model
- Newcomer Model (4 hours)
- 50/50 Dual-Language Immersion Model

ALL MODELS - ALL PRINCIPLES

Pull-Out Two-Hour 50-50 DLI **Newcomer** Model Model Model Model **Principle 1:** Asset-Based Behaviors and Expectations **Principle 2:** Integrated Instruction in Disciplinary Language and Content Principle 3: Targeted and Explicit Language Instruction Principle 4: Assessment, Monitoring, and Feedback

PULL-OUT MODEL

Big Take-Away

- 60/50 minutes of Targeted ELD
- 60/50 minutes of Integrated ELD included in content classes throughout the day

TWO-HOUR MODEL

Big Take-Away

- Two hours of Targeted ELD in SEI classroom
- Integrated ELD included in content classes throughout the day

NEWCOMER MODEL

Big Take-Away

- Four total hours of ELD instruction
- 120/100 minutes of Targeted ELD in SEI classroom
- 120/100 minutes of Integrated ELD included in content classes throughout the day

50/50 DLI MODEL

Big Take-Away

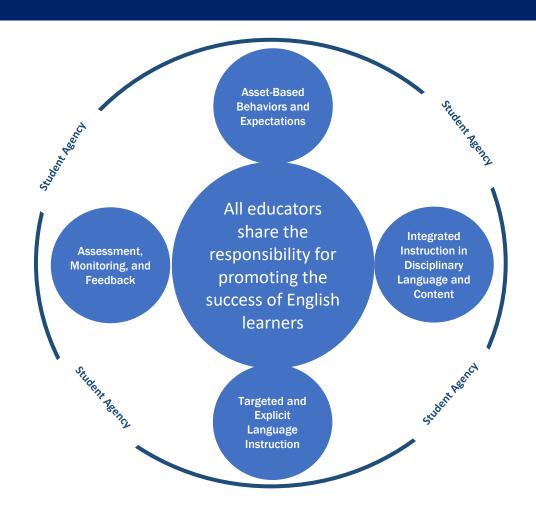
- 30 minutes of Targeted ELD
- 90/70 minutes Integrated ELD

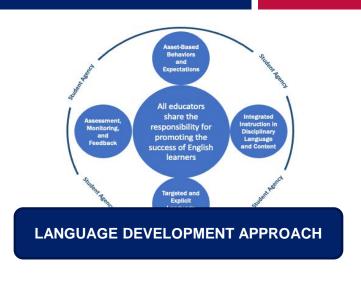
NO Bilingual Waiver is necessary because SEI requirements are met.

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ELP STANDARDS



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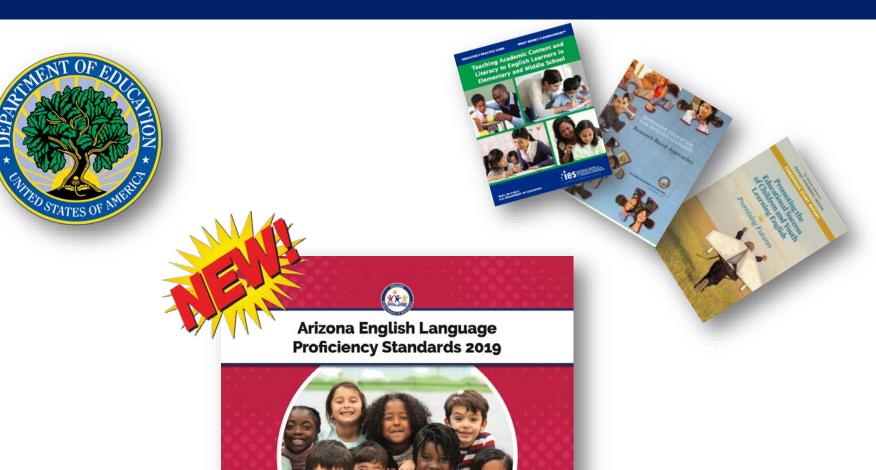
WHAT ARE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STANDARDS?

ELP Standards are formalized expectations that:

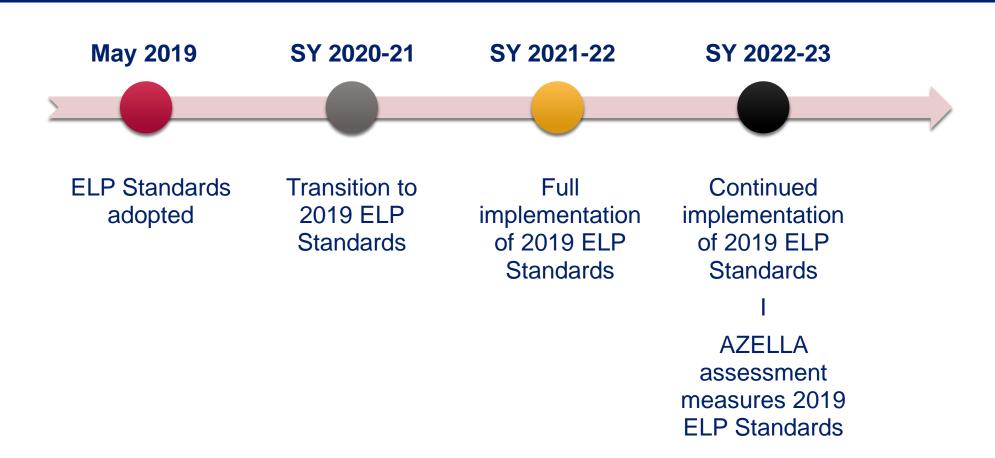
- articulate the discourse practices English learners need to engage with rigorous, grade level disciplinary content.
- intentionally develop students' language across modalities (receptive, productive and interactive).

WHAT WE TEACH!

WHY UPDATE THE ELP STANDARDS?



ELPS IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE



MAJOR SHIFTS

FROM TO (2010 ELPS) (2019 ELPS) Grades **Stages Modalities Domains Three Proficiency Levels Five Proficiency Levels** Skills Tasks **Simultaneous Language Sequential Language Development Development**

FROM STAGES TO GRADE/GRADE BANDS

FROM

(2010 ELPS)

Stage I: Kindergarten

Stage II: Grades 1-2

Stage III: Grades 3-5

Stage IV: Grades 6-8

Stage V: Grades 9-12

TO

(2019 ELPS)

Kindergarten

Grade 1

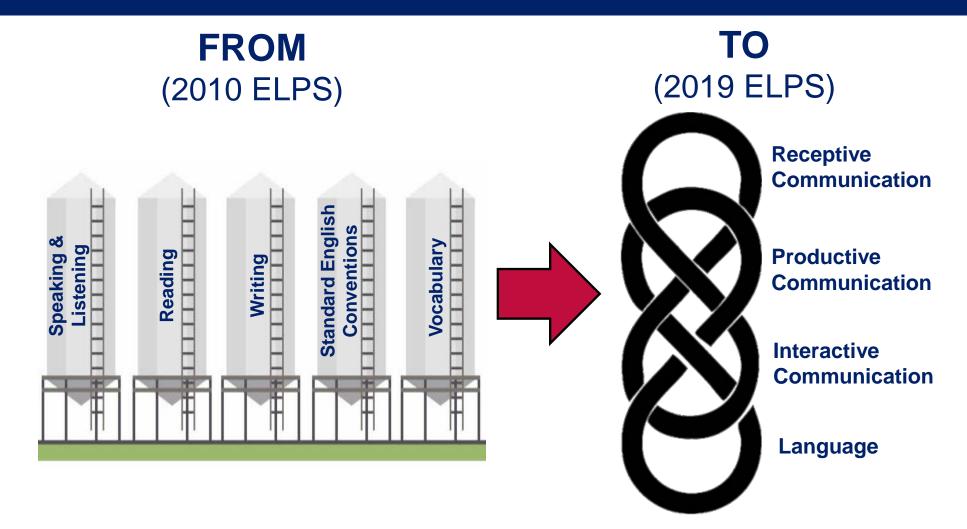
Grades 2-3

Grades 4-5

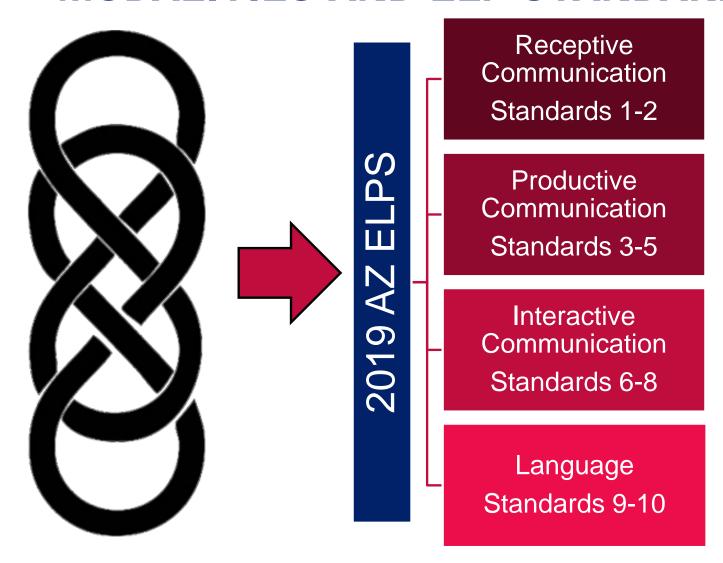
Grades 6-8

Grades 9-12

FROM DOMAINS TO MODALITIES

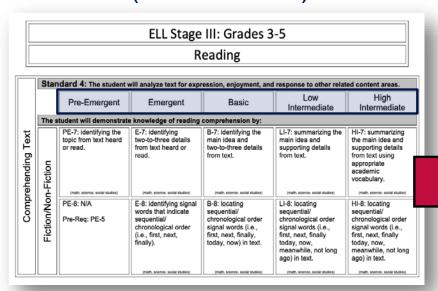


MODALITIES AND ELP STANDARDS

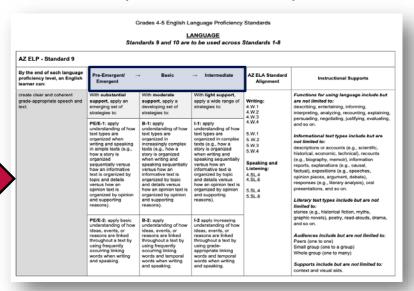


FROM FIVE TO THREE PROFICIENCY LEVELS

FROM (2010 ELPS)



TO (2019 ELPS)



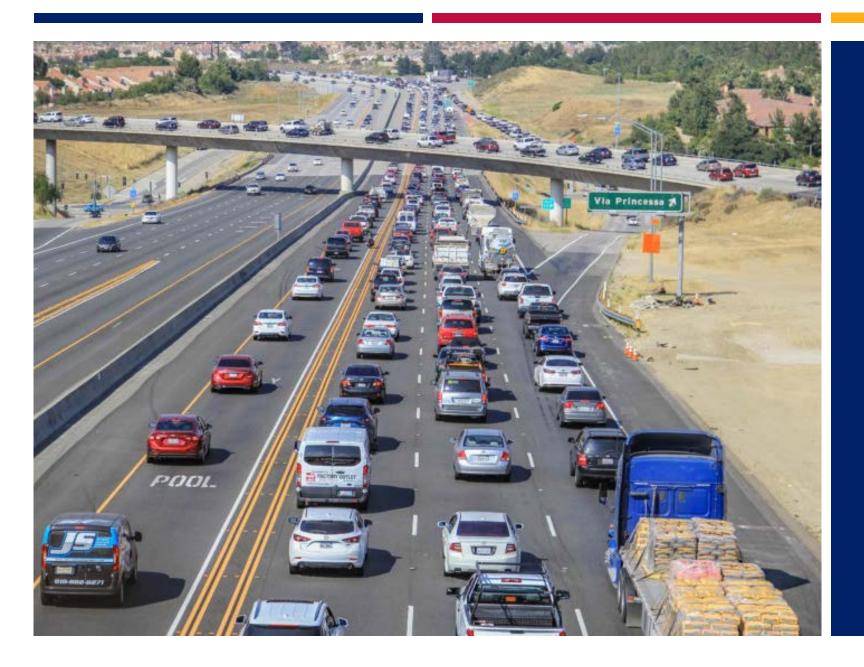
FROM TASKS TO SKILLS

The 2019 AZ English Language Proficiency Standards...

- highlight the critical language, knowledge about language, and language skills required by the Arizona content standards that are necessary for ELs to be successful in school.
- are broad language concepts and do not represent a curriculum or list of tasks.

FOR EXAMPLE...

Grades 4-5 English Language Proficiency Standards PE/E-2: apply basic B-2: apply **I-2** apply increasing understanding of how understanding of how understanding of how ideas, events, or ideas, events, or ideas, events, or reasons are linked reasons are linked reasons are linked ing language include but throughout a text by throughout a text by throughout a text by using frequently using frequently using gradevzing, recounting, explaining, tiating, justifying, evaluating occurring linking occurring linking appropriate linking xt types include but are words when writing words and temporal words and temporal and speaking. words when writing words when writing and speaking. and speaking. responses (e.g., literary analysis), oral and details versus opinion text is how an opinion text is organized by opinion organized by opinion organized by opinion and supporting 5.SL.6 and supporting and supporting reasons). From 2010 AZ ELPS PE/E-2: apply basic I-2 apply increasing B-2: apply understanding of how understanding of how III-R-4:L/HI-8: ideas, events, or ideas, events, or ideas, events, or reasons are linked reasons are linked reasons are linked locating sequential/ chronological throughout a text by throughout a text by throughout a text by usina freauently using frequently using gradeoccurrina linkina appropriate linking occurring linking order signal words (e.g., first, next, words when writing words and temporal words and temporal words when writing words when writing and speaking. finally, today, now, meanwhile, not long ago) in text.



SEQUENTIAL
LANGUAGE
DEVELOPMENT
TO
SIMULTANEOUS
LANGUAGE
DEVELOPMENT

WHAT DOES THIS SHIFT MEAN FOR EDUCATORS?

Creating language-focused opportunities for English learners:

- as readers and listeners
- as speakers and writers
- as participants in interactions with others

CHECK IN: MENTIMETER

How does the shift in the standards' organization from domain to modality reflect a change in AZ's perspective on language development?



TOPIC 5

DUAL LABELED STUDENTS FAQ

Can IEP Teams remove ELs with disabilities from EL Services?

Based on the Addendum to September 23, 2016 Non-Regulatory Guidance and direct guidance from the Office of State Support, Arizona can no longer allow for IEP Teams to remove an EL with disabilities from EL Services. The ONLY way for an EL with disabilities to be withdrawn from EL Services is for the student to demonstrate English language proficiency on a "valid and reliable ELP Assessment".

Does every campus with EL students, regardless of the SEI Model, need to provide targeted EL instruction from an EL Specialist and not a classroom teacher?

Each model notes that any teacher responsible for teaching any portion of Targeted English Instruction or Integrated Instruction as part of the required minutes, must have the state SEI Endorsement, ESL, or BLE endorsement.

*The Two-hour model ensures that the required 120 minutes of ELD is provided during targeted ELD therefore, an integrated teacher in the two-hour model is not delivering those required minutes.

Who should receive EL Services?

EL services should solely be provided to students identified with a primary home language other than English as documented on a Home Language Survey and tested less than proficient on their AZELLA placement test.

When must a student be exited from EL status for ESEA purposes? An EL must be exited from EL status for ESEA purposes (*i.e.*, for purposes of Title I and Title III requirements) when the student satisfies the State's standardized statewide exit procedures.

This requirement applies to an EL with a disability as well. Arizona's standardized statewide exit procedures require that an EL student demonstrate proficiency on the AZELLA. There are currently no additional exit procedures. Therefore, all ELs, including ELs with disabilities, must demonstrate proficiency on the AZELLA in order to be exited from EL services.

If the SPED teacher is responsible for providing Targeted ELD, which standards do they need to use?

Teachers use the **ELP Standards as the focal standards** in ways that build *into and from content instruction*.

What happened to ILLP forms? Do we still have them? Is there a different form?

ILLPS are no longer a standard-based service option. Districts must now serve all English learners through a combination of Targeted and Integrated ELD Instruction.

Does OELAS review IEPs during an EL Monitoring?

No OELAS does not. ESS/PSM reviews EL components as they relate to IDEA requirements. Documentation that will be reviewed by OELAS during monitoring include:

- Master schedules/student schedules
- lesson plans with evidence of ELP Standards
- teacher endorsement of those providing the required ELD minutes
- evidence of Principle 1 and Principle 4

Who should be a part of planning services for dual-labeled students?

In addition to the required IEP team participants under IDEA, it is essential that the IEP team include participants who have knowledge of the student's language needs. It is also important that the IEP team include professionals with training, and preferably expertise, in second language acquisition and how to differentiate between the student's needs stemming from a disability or lack of English language proficiency.



RESOURCES: LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT APPROACH & SEI MODELS

- Arizona's Language Development Approach December 2019
- Language Development Approach Research Base
- SEI Program Model Implementation Guide
- Pull-Out Model
- Two-Hour Model
- Newcomer Model
- 50-50 Dual Language Immersion Model
- SEI Models Overview Presentation

RESOURCES: 2019 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STANDARDS

- 2019 English Language Proficiency Standards
- 2019 English Language Proficiency Standards Guidance Document
- 2019 English Language Proficiency Standards Coding Guidance
- 2019 English Language Proficiency Standards Glossary
- 2019 English Language Proficiency Standards: Vertical Articulation

SELF-PACED MODULES: ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STANDARDS

- Enhanced Overview of the 2019 ELPS
- Overview of the ELPS Guidance Document
- Overview of the Reading Foundational Standards & Skills
- Coding and Documenting
- Vertical Articulation of the ELPS

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: FOR EDUCATORS OF ENGLISH LEARNERS

- Language Development Strategies in Math
- Language Development Strategies in Science
- Language Development Strategies in Social Studies
- Integrated Instruction in Disciplinary Language and Content (Classroom Video)
- Newcomer Model (Classroom Video)
- <u>Targeted and Explicit Language Instruction</u> (Classroom Video)
- <u>50-50 Dual Language Immersion Model</u> (Classroom Video)

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THANK YOU!

