



ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE

— (ENL) DEPARTMENT —



OUR MISSION

The ENL Department supports multilingual learners as they develop academic English proficiency while continuing to value and build upon their home languages and cultures. Our program provides equitable access to rigorous instruction and empowers students to succeed academically, socially, and emotionally.



DEPARTMENT GOALS



Develop English language proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.



Celebrate linguistic and cultural diversity.



Support academic success across all content areas.



Partner with families to ensure student success.



Foster confidence and independence in multilingual learners.



Prepare students to become bilingual, biliterate, and college- and career-ready.



ENL SERVICES

Students who qualify for ENL services receive instruction based on their English language proficiency level as determined by New York State assessments. Instruction may include:



Stand-alone ENL instruction focused on English language development.



Integrated ENL instruction, where an ENL teacher collaborates with classroom teachers to support language development within academic content.



Ongoing assessment and individualized support as students progress toward English proficiency.



Students are assessed annually using the WIDA Access exam until they demonstrate English proficiency. Services are provided in accordance with New York State Education Department requirements.

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