Multilingual Education Information Session

October 2, 2025

In the chat: Share one of your favorite things about fall! Please rename yourself with your full name and district/organization.







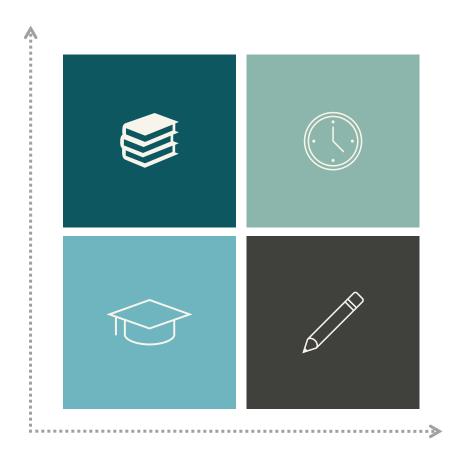
All students prepared for post-secondary pathways, careers, and civic engagement.

Transform K–12 education to a system that is centered on closing opportunity gaps and is characterized by high expectations for all students and educators. We achieve this by **developing equity-based policies** and supports that empower educators, families, and communities.

- Ensuring Equity
- Collaboration and Service
- Achieving Excellence through Continuous Improvement
- Focus on the Whole Child



Agenda



Identification & Notifications

Title III AI/AN Services

WIDA & Seal of Biliteracy

Grants & Opportunities



Tribal Land Acknowledgement



We would like to acknowledge the indigenous people who have stewarded this land since time immemorial and who still inhabit these areas today.

We are presenting from the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish, Puyallup, Chelan, Squaxin Island, and Yakima Tribes and honor with gratitude the land itself and these Tribes.

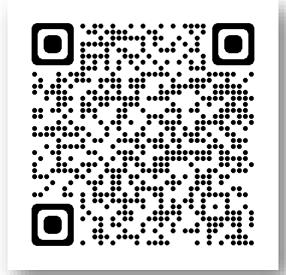


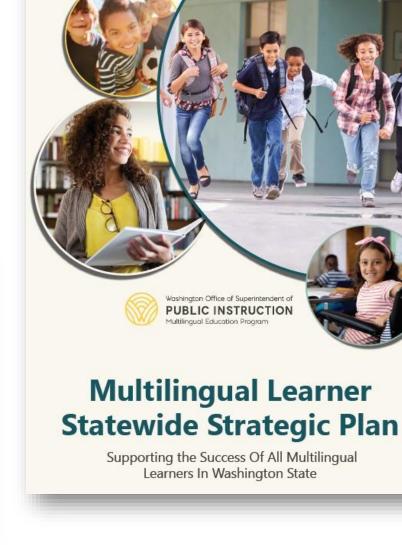
Multilingual Learner Statewide Strategic Plan

Core Principles:

- Promote Asset-Based Mindsets
- Strengthen Instructional Practices
- Provide Support for Educators
- Engage Students and Families

Download the Plan









Title III AI/AN Identification & Services

Civil Right Obligations

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Identification and English language proficiency testing

All Schools
Must Meet
Civil Right
Obligations

ត្រៃ English language development services



Meaningful access to content



Program evaluation



Language access for families



Title III Identification of American Indian & Alaska Native Students

Washington state's process to determine initial eligibility for Title III, Part A services for American Indian/Alaska Native students:

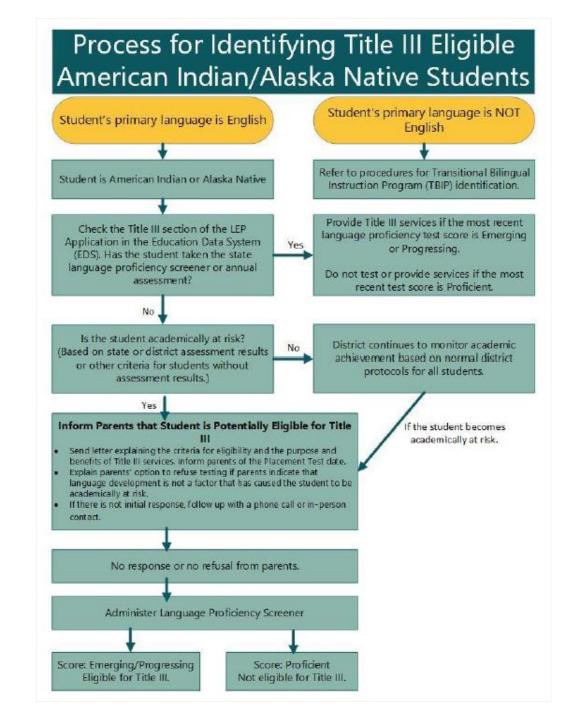


Chapter 8: Title III Services of Native American Students



Identify Students

- Home Language Survey is used to identify primary language
- Enrollment data on race/ethnicity is used to identify American Indian/Alaska Native students
- State CEDARS database is checked for previous ELP assessment data





Determine "Academically at Risk"

Criteria to determine if student is academically at risk:



- Not meeting standard on state assessments
- Below grade level on district assessments
- If no state or district data, use multiple indicators such as:
 - Classroom-based assessments
 - Curriculum-based assessments
 - Teacher recommendations

For new students, allow sufficient time for adjustment and instruction before making determination of academically at risk.



Inform Family of Potential Eligibility

Schools can use the <u>Title III American Indian/Alaska Native Initial Parent</u> Letter to:

- Inform families of AI/AN students who may qualify for Title III services
- Explain the screening process and eligibility criteria
- Provide information on the purpose, benefits, and services
- Inform families of their choices and provide contact information to answer

questions

Schools are encouraged to follow up with families who don't respond or opt out





Title III Language and Literacy Services and WIDA Testing for American Indian/Alaska Native Students

Dear Community Members and Family of American Indian/Alaska Native Students,

The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction would like to share information about the availability of Title III supplemental language and literacy services for American Indian/Alaska Native students, what those services are, and how your child may qualify for this support.

What is Title III?

Title III is the section of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) which relates primarily to language and literacy development. This federal act defines American Indian/Alaska Native students as members of a community who can qualify for language and literacy support. The federal definition is here: ESSA Title VIII, Sec. 8101(20).



Assess Student Using ELP Screener

Schools are required to:

- Assess each student with the state-approved WIDA screener
- Assess within 10 days of determination of academically at-risk status
- Report all screener results and program enrollment in the state database





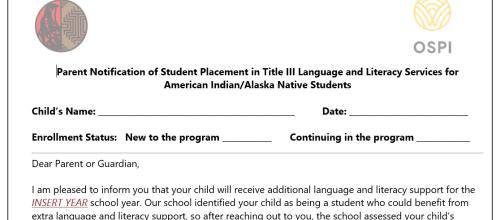
Notify Family of Results and/or Services

Schools can use the <u>Title III American Indian/Alaska</u> Native Parent Notification of Placement Letter to:

- Inform families of AI/AN students who have qualified for Title III services
- Provide additional information about Title III services

Schools are required to notify families of students' eligibility:

- NEW: within 15 days after administering the screener OR
- CONTINUING: within 30 days of the beginning of the year



language and literacy skills. Your child's overall result was



Notification Timeline

SEPTEMBER

Notification of Continued Eligibility OR

Notification of Placement (New Students)

ON-GOING

Notification of Placement (New Students) OR

Notification of Continued Eligibility (New Transfers)

JUNE

Score Report (in Home Language)

Score Report Letter OR

Transition Letter

File Score Report in English in Cum Folder

Multilingual Family Communication Templates



Notification Letter Data

Bellevue School District	State Total			Bellevue School District		State Total		
	2023-24				of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2023	
3.8	5.3	6 10 1	Four Year	76.4%	68.3%	68.8%	70.7%	
		Grad Rates	Five Vear		74.7%		74.8%	

Notification Letter Information

Avg Years Served

The letter must include:

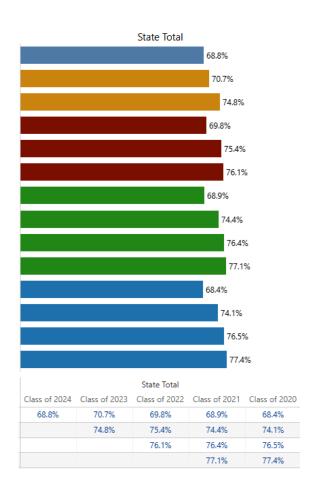
- Graduation Rate for Multilingual Learners
- Typical Time in Program (Average Years to Exit)

Data for these elements can be found in EDS in the Secure Tableau server in the TBIP and Letters Dashboard.

(Use local data or the state average if data are inaccurate or missing due to low numbers.)

Note: Average Years to Exit includes Long-Term English Learners who exit upon graduation





Planning Title III Services for American Indian & Alaska Native Students

- 1. ESSA Tribal Consultation
 - Consultation is required with the nearest federally recognized Tribe(s) before submitting plans and application...
 - For districts where 50% or more of the district's students are identified as American Indian/Alaska Native AND/OR
 - If the district receives \$40,000 or more through Title VI
- 2. Collaboration with Title VI Coordinator
- 3. Selection from Professional Learning Menu





Approved Title III Services for American Indian & Alaska Native Students



- Supplemental implementation of the <u>John McCoy (Iulilaš) Since Time Immemorial curriculum</u> or tribally-developed history lessons with a language and literacy focus for Title III eligible students.
- Professional learning for English language development educators to use the *John McCoy* (*lulilaš*) Since Time Immemorial or tribally-developed history curriculum.
- Hosting family nights and introducing the *John McCoy (lulilaš) Since Time Immemorial* and tribally-developed curriculum as a resource to build language and literacy with their children.
- Northwest Native American reading curriculum (available from OSPI Office of Native Education.)
- Literacy activities in preparation for the canoe journey or other tribally specific gatherings.
- Other (must be approved by the OSPI Office of Native Education).



Futurisms in Native Student Literacy & Language in Highline Public Schools





October 2, 2025



OUR PROMISE

Every student in Highline Public Schools is known by name, strength and need, and graduates prepared for the future they choose.

American Indian/Alaska Native Students Enrolled at Highline Public Schools

- Current Title VI Count: 353
- Current number of Title III eligible students: 179
- Current number of identified
 AIAN students: 577





Highline's Commitment: Putting Our Money Where Our Mouth Is

Native Education Funding in Highline is Braided - Currently Funded By:

- Title VI
- Title III
- Title I
- LAP
- BEA





Just Some of the Ways We're Meeting Our Goals

Culturally-rooted and informed in-school T3/LAP-funded support provided by our Native Literacy & Culture Specialist across the district provided to Native students in elementary, middle and high school





Highline Native Student Success Summer Academy

A ten-year legacy and exemplar of all-Native designed pedagogy, curriculum, and Native student/educator-centered learning spaces

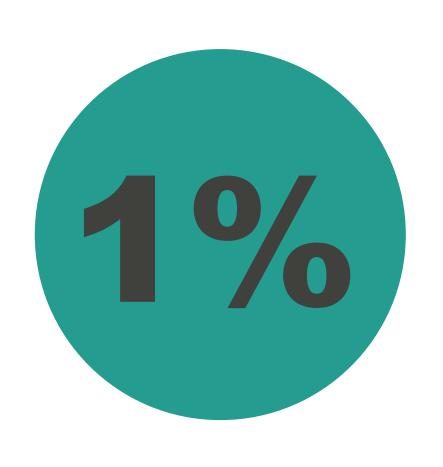


Just Some of the Ways We're Meeting Our Goals

Year-round events offered to Native students and their families and the whole Highline community that spotlight Native history, Native thought/art/literature, land/place-based learning, culturally-grounded literacy, Tribal sovereignty, traditional knowledge and practices, and spaces that support deep, intergenerational cultural-communal learning

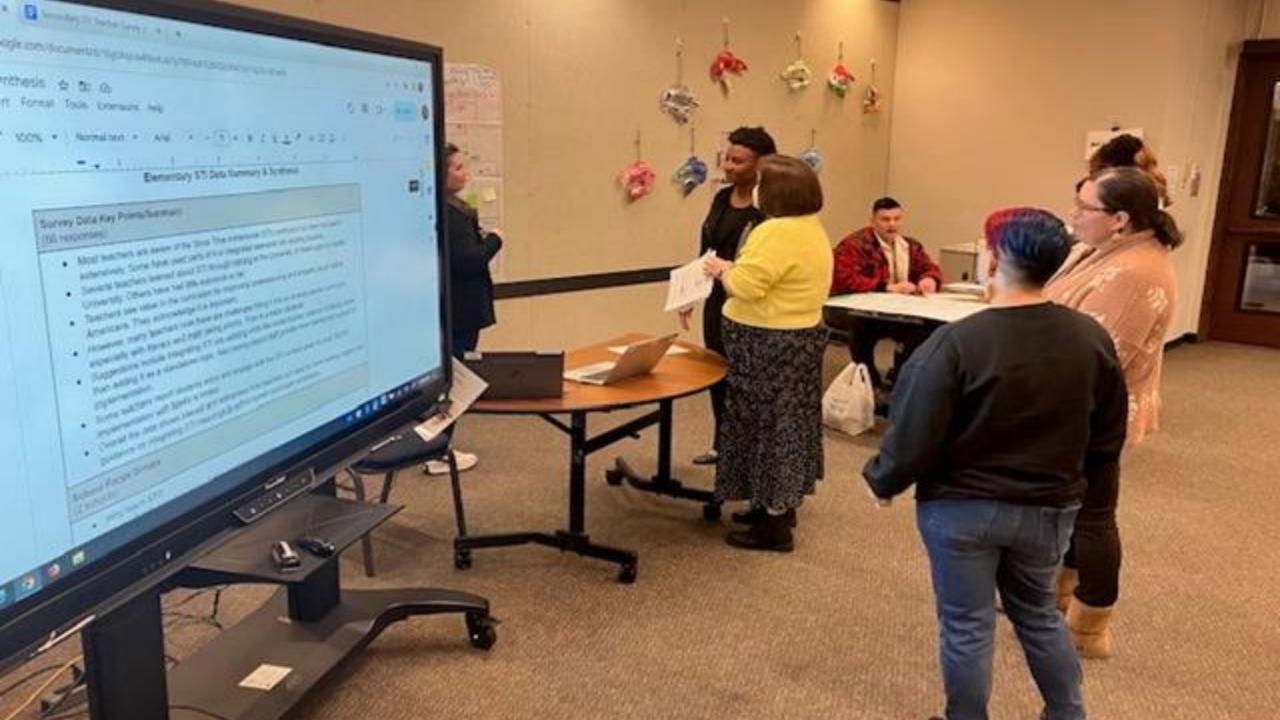


Celebrations in Highline!



At Highline School District, only 1% of Behavior Referrals were assigned to students who are Native in school year 2023-24. This number is particularly important as it marks a big improvement between this school year and school year 2022-23 where all behavior referrals for Native students were at 5%.









Gratitude from Highline

We raise our hands to you, fellow education leaders \o/

Please find more information and stay connected to us by going to

- highlineschools.org
- highlineschools.org/nativeprogram
- facebook.com/highlinenativeeducation





Resources from the Office of Native Education

Requirements in Washington's Basic Education Act

- 1. Integrate John McCoy (lulilaš) Since Time Immemorial: Tribal Sovereignty in Washington State into current and newly-adopted social studies or history curricula.
- 2. Collaborate with <u>federally recognized Indian</u> <u>Tribes</u> within or neighboring district boundaries.
- Native Education Curriculum Materials
- Native Student Success
- Native Educator Community



Resources from the National Indian Education Association



Culturally- Based Curriculum

Digital Resources for Schools, Teachers, Parents and Students

RESOURCES DEVELOPED BY NIEA







GOOD MEDICINE BUNDLES



NIEA: SHARE MY LESSON



Native Education Resource Collection



Tier 1: Native Culture and Background

To expand outreach to Native parents, start by understanding their culture, values, and historical context. Tier 1 materials offer a foundation for learning about today's Native communities.

Tier 2: Outreach to Native Communities

Tier 2 builds on Native culture and history by offering guidance on culturally appropriate outreach. It covers how to connect with Native parents in rural and urban areas, cultural protocols to follow, where to meet families, and helpful organizations and programs.

Tier 3: Native Children and Youth

Tier 3 offers materials to help Parent Centers support Native youth with special needs. It covers cultural views on transition planning, education system impacts, bullying, and building resilience.

Tier 4: Resources and Additional Information

Tier 4 gathers NAPTAC and LDAH materials—worksheets, activities, and resources—to support Parent Centers in engaging Native families with special needs. It also includes contacts and organizations representing Indigenous peoples. As CPIR updates content, new items will be added over time.



<u>Culturally Responsive Instruction for Native American Students – Center for Standards, Assessment, and Accountability</u>

Modules:

- 1. The What and Why of Culturally Responsive Instruction
- 2. Understand Culture and Native American Diversity
- 3. Foundation for Culturally Responsive Practice
- 4. Where to Start: Initial Guidelines for Instruction
- 5. Going Further: More Guidelines
- Part A: Pedagogical Implications for Math, Science and Social Studies
 - Part B: Pedological Implications for ELA, Native Language & Problem/Place-based Scenarios
- 7. Developing a Culturally Responsive Practice

Why Is Formative Assessment Needed?

This section introduces culturally responsive instruction and explains why it's critical for the academic success of Native American students.

Steps to complete section:

- 1. Watch the course video.
- Click on the link below to answer the Exit Questions for this section.
- 3. Complete the Reflection handout.

Supplemental Materials:

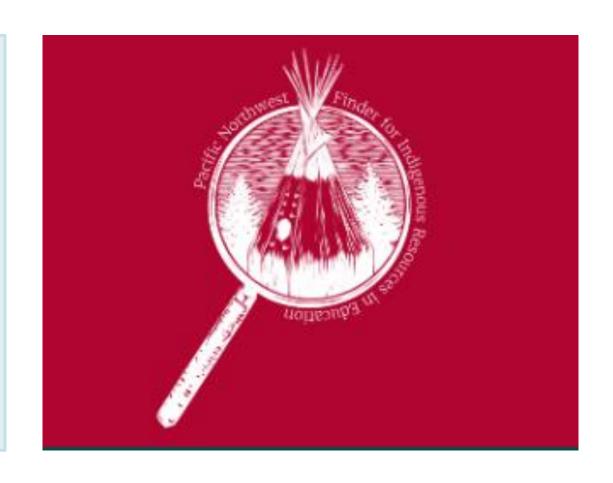
- Exit Questions
- · Reflection handout





Pacific Northwest Finder for Indigenous Resources in Education

PNWFIRE.ORG is a search tool created by Region 16 with input from the Region 16 Washington Tribal Advisory and the Office of Native Education. It helps Native students, families, and educators find academic, cultural, and emotional support resources in Washington. The site features programs from Tribes, schools, and community groups.





WIDA Updates

Key Tasks for October 2025



- Review Multilingual Learner Data: Review Multilingual Learner data to ensure that all students expected to take the WIDA ACCESS are accurately identified in your Student Information System (SIS) and CEDARS.
 - Consider using reports in the LEP application in EDS to support this work.
 - Students needing accommodated test forms such as the WIDA Alternate ACCESS or WIDA ACCESS Paper must also show as receiving Special Educations services.
- **Accommodations**: The Pre-ID deadline is December 5, 2025. As IEP teams meet, the following resources can be shared to make decisions for accommodations and accommodated test forms for the 25-26 SY test administration cycle:
 - Guidelines for Statewide Accountability Assessments
 - Guidelines on Tools, Supports and Accommodations for State Assessments GTSA
 - Resources WIDA



WIDA Alternate Screener Guidance Update

Qualifications for Use

- Student must have an IEP and already identified for alternate assessment.
 - Update: Districts may convene an IEP team to add "Alternate Assessment" to administer the WIDA Alternate Screener if this can be done within the ten-day screening window.

Criteria for ELD Services

Must score 5.0 to be ineligible for services.

CEDARS

• CEDARS, and local Student Information Systems, are in the process of being updated to reflect the WIDA Alternate Screener as a placement test option for data entry. More information will be shared once updates are available.



ELP Assessment Support

Contact

- Inbox: ELPAssessments@k12.wa.us
- ELPA Coordinator: Sharon Coward
- Phone: 564-669-4777
- Email: Sharon.Coward@k12.wa.us

Resources

- OSPI ELPA Website
- WIDA Secure Portal

ELP Assessment Office Hour

- Mondays at noon
- Key Topic Schedule for 2025-2026

ELP Assessment Office Weekly Newsletter

- Monday afternoon
- Link to subscribe





Seal of Biliteracy Updates

Washington State Seal of Biliteracy

The **Seal of Biliteracy** supports...

- Students' languages to be valued and respected
- Students to earn additional proficiency-based credits towards graduation
- Students to meet college entrance requirements

To earn the Seal of Biliteracy, students must...

Intermediate Seal	Advanced Seal
Test at Intermediate-Mid level in a language other than English (LOTE)	Test at Advanced-Low level in a LOTE OR Test at Intermediate-Mid in 2 LOTEs
Earn 4 credits in that language & in ELA	Earn 4 credits in each language & in ELA
Meet all graduation requirements	Meet all graduation requirements



Seal of Biliteracy Changes



RCW 28A.300.575

- Districts must award Seal beginning SY25-26
- All languages eligible for Seal, even those without writing systems
- Legal basis for supporting Less Commonly Taught Language proficiency testing

WAC <u>392-410-350</u>

- Additional Award Level
 - Intermediate Award (No changes)
 - Advanced Award
- Alignment to new scales
 - Seal awarded for Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) assessments
- Reporting Deadline
 - Districts must report all Earned Seals (graduated Seniors) by last Friday of August



Seal of Biliteracy CEDARS Reporting Changes

- Element I09 (Exit Reason Code) no longer necessary to report Seal of Biliteracy Proficient or Seal of Biliteracy Earned.
- Following slides contain step-by-step reporting procedures for Proficient and Earned.



Element 106 – Attribute or Program Code (Seal of Biliteracy Proficient - 42)

Proficient

- Identifies students who have demonstrated intermediate mid proficiency in one or more world languages but
 have not met pathway ELA requirements and/or have not graduated, which are needed to be awarded a Seal
 of Biliteracy.
- This code applies for **students in grade 9 through ~first semester grade 12** who earn 4 World Language CbC or meet the passing score on Dual Credit Assessments.

Element I – Student Attributes and Programs File (I) CEDARS Reporting Codes

- Element 106 Attribute or Program Code is the code to identify a student as Proficient for the Seal of Biliteracy.
- **Element 107 Start Date** is the date the student was identified as **Proficient** in a language other than English and must fall within the district enrollment span. (This is the day the student took the assessment. If a student enrolls within the district after assessing, this will be the date of enrollment)
- **Element 108 Exit Date** is the date the student was identified as **Proficient** in a language other than English and must fall within the district enrollment span. (This is the day the student took the assessment. If a student enrolls within the district after assessing, this will be the date of enrollment)
- Element 109 Exit Reason Code is the method by which the student became Proficient in a language other than English and is required.

 (Appendix L contains a list of the recognized assessments and codes.)
- **Element I10 Qualification Code** is the language in which the student is identified as Proficient in a language other than English. (**Appendix K** contains the list of approved language codes.)

Element 106 – Attribute or Program Code (Seal of Biliteracy Earned - 41)

Earned

- Identifies students who have demonstrated intermediate-mid proficiency in one or more world languages and have met pathway ELA and graduation requirements needed to be awarded the Seal of Biliteracy.
- Some students will already have a file for students marked **Proficient**. You need to add a new file.
- This code applies for students in **second semester grade 12** who are on track to graduate.

Element I – Student Attributes and Programs File (I) CEDARS Reporting Codes

- **Element 106 Attribute or Program Code** is the code to identify a student as having **Earned** the Seal of Biliteracy.
- **Element 107 Start Date** is the date the student **Earned** the Seal of Biliteracy and must fall within the district enrollment span. (*This is typically graduation day since it cannot be earned before graduation*)
- **Element 108 Exit Date** is the date the student **Earned** the Seal of Biliteracy and must fall within the district enrollment span. (*This is typically graduation*) **day** since it cannot be earned before graduation)
- Element 109 Exit Reason Code is the method by which the student Earned the Seal in a language other than English and is required. (Appendix L contains a list of the recognized assessments and codes.)
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Grants & Data

Dual Language Data Clean-up

Reporting Dual Language Instruction is required for Dual Language Courses reported to CEDARS in Elements D14 and D15.

These codes are for dual language programs only and should not be added for world language, heritage language, or Tribal language courses.

DO:

Use for ALL dual language courses.

DON'T:

Use for world language, heritage language, or Tribal language courses.



Dual Language Data Elements

D14: Dual Language Instruction Type:

- 1 One-Way Dual Language Program
- 2 Two-Way Dual Language Program
- 3 World Language Enrichment Program
- 4 World Language Immersion Program

Please note that code 3 (World Language Enrichment Program) will be phased out in the 2026-27 school year and should not be used when reporting for the 2025-26 school year.

D15: Dual Language Instruction Language: Use the language codes from the 2024-25 CEDARS Appendix K



Grant Updates



- FP 219 TBIP Open Now!
- FP 231 Title III Consortia Open Now!
- FP 232 Title III CGA Open Now!
- FP 748 Tribal Language Grants Open Now!
- FP 978 Dual & Heritage Language Grants Open Now!
- FP 423 Language Access Coordinator Grant Open Now!



Grant Support

Grants:

- FP 219 -TBIP
- FP 232 -Title III in ESEA CGA
- FP 231-Title III Consortium
- FP 748 Tribal Language Grant
- FP 978 Dual and Heritage Language Grant

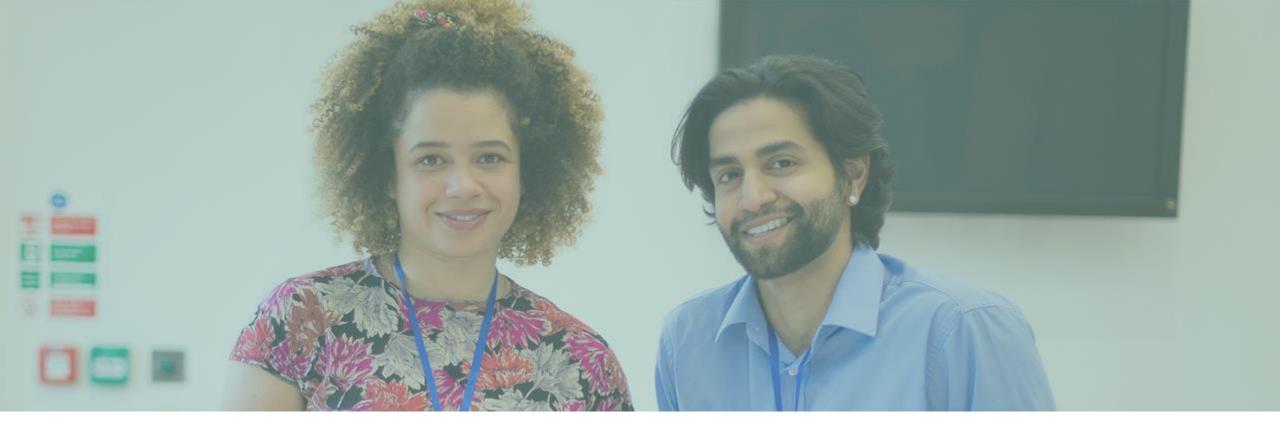


EGMS Office Hours:

Tuesdays 10:00 – 11:00 am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88033044818

Thursdays 1:00 – 2:00 pm https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82230019925





Professional Learning Opportunities



WIDA Self-Paced Courses

2025-2026 Offerings			
Developing Language for Learning in Mathematics	Newcomers: Promoting Success through Strengthening Practice		
<u>Desarrollando el Español: las expectativas del lenguaje</u> (Developing Spanish: Language Expectations)	Reading Comprehension Across Content Areas with Multilingual Learners		
Engaging Multilingual Learners in Science: Making Sense of Phenomena	Reframing Education for Long-term English Learners		
Exploring the WIDA PreK-3 Essential Actions	<u>Teaching Multilingual Learners Social Studies</u> <u>through Multiple Perspectives</u>		
<u>Let's Play! Multilingual Children's Joyful Learning in PreK-3</u>	The WIDA Standards Framework: A Collaborative Approach		
Making Language Visible in the Classroom	WIDA Español: Evaluaciones del desarrollo del lenguaje a nivel de salón (Classroom Assessment for Language Development)		

Access to 2025-2026 offerings begins on Sept. 1, 2025.



Register Now!



Key Dates

Registration: Virtual Track Only

Live Virtual Track Pricing

2025 Regular Rate – Live Track: \$275* Available August 19 – October 13 * *Includes access to recordings*

Recording Only Access

General Rate: \$155

Available May 5 – November 10 Recordings available November 17, 2025

WIDA Annual Conference Website



Statewide **ML Directors**' Network 2025-2026

Audience: District Multilingual/Federal Program Directors

Purpose: Monthly virtual meetings with OSPI ML staff for guidance and support for the implementation of the <u>Multilingual Learner Statewide</u> Strategic Plan.

Dates:

September 18, 2025	December 18, 2025	March 19, 2026
October 16, 2025	January 15, 2026	April 16, 2026
November 20, 2025	February 19, 2026	May 21, 2026

Time: 9:00 – 10:30 am

Register here: 25/26 Multilingual Directors' Network



Statewide **ML Teachers**' Network 2025-2026

Audience: K-12 Teachers

Purpose: The ML Teacher Network is a welcoming space for educators across Washington State to come together, share ideas, and grow in their practice. We will learn the latest research, explore effective instructional strategies, and discover high-quality materials and tools to better serve our multilingual learners.

Dates:

September (Independent Work)	December 9, 2025	March 10, 2026
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October 14, 2025	January 13, 2026	April 14, 2026
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November 18, 2025 February 10, 2026 May 12, 2026

Time: 3:30 – 4:30 pm with optional breakout session 4:30 – 5:00 pm

Register on pdEnroller: 25/26 Multilingual Teacher Network



2025–2026 Dual Language School Visits

Join Us for the 2025–2026 Dual Language School Visits!

Observe Dual and Heritage Language programs in action. Connect with educators and leaders. Learn and share best practices.

- Space is limited Max 8 participants per district.
- **Registration required** for each attendee.
- 1. October 23 Franklin Pierce School District Click here to register!
- 2. November 19 Vancouver School District Click here to register!
- 3. December 11 Lake Washington School District
- 4. January 29 Puyallup School District
- 5. February 26 East Valley School District (Yakima)
- 6. March 19 Burlington School District
- 7. April 23-Yakima School District
- 8. May 14 Shoreline School District





2025-26 Dual & Heritage Language Professional Learning



Dual & Heritage Language PLC

Day: 2nd (or 3^{rd*}) Tuesdays

Time: 12:00-1:00 pm

Dates: Oct. 14, Nov. 18*, Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 10, Mar. 10, Apr. 21*, May 12

Register on <u>pdEnroller</u>

Dual & Heritage Language Drop-in Office Hours

Time: 12:00-1:00 pm

Days: All Other Tuesdays (Sept. 9 through June 9)

Please Note: No DL Office hours on Oct. 28 during the WIDA Conference!

News for Dual Language

OSPI Dual Language Newsletter

- First Monday of every month
- Please **share** with DL staff: principals, teachers, coaches

• Subscribe to our newsletter by

clicking here.





DUAL LANGUAGE

EDUCATION NEWSLETTER



February 2025

- Dual Language News and Updates
- Dual Language Strategies & Resources
- Dual & Heritage Language Monthly Professional Learning Communities
- Dual Language School Visits
- WIDA Updates & Resources
- Dual Language Education Professional Learning

Welcome to our brand-new monthly

Dual Language Newsletter!

We are thrilled to connect with Dual Language educators across the state and build a vibrant community committed to advancing bilingual education. Together, we aim to share best practices, celebrate successes, and provide valuable professional learning opportunities for all.

Dual Language Leaders: Please **share** this newsletter with your Dual Language Teachers and staff!



2025-26 Information Sessions

1st Thursdays, 9:00am & 3:00pm



- Sept. 4 State & Federal Guidance,
 Identification & Notifications
- Oct. 2 Title III Al/AN Services
- Nov. 6 Shared Leadership & Accountability
- Dec. 4 MTSS for MLs
- Jan. 8 WIDA Standards Implementation

- Feb. 5 Building Capacity of Content Teachers
- Mar. 5 Secondary ML Programming
- Apr. 2 Multilingual Family Engagement
- May 7- Program Evaluation & Review: Data Informed Decision-Making
- June 4– Program Planning & Grant Applications

Sign up in <u>pdEnroller</u> for clock hours.



Breakout Rooms

- 1. Student Identification & Grants Shannon & Kristin
- 2. Al/AN Services Sara & Katie
- 3. Seal of Biliteracy Veronica & Kad
- 4. Dual Language Teresa & Patricia





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