

English Language Learners

In keeping with the intention of the state of Colorado and this school district to offer educational opportunities to those students with limited English proficiency, the district shall provide suitable research-based language instructional programs for all identified English language learners in grades kindergarten through 12 in accordance with the requirements of state and federal statutes and Colorado Department of Education regulations and guidance.

The district shall identify students who may have limited English proficiency through home language surveys that identify a primary home language is other than English, observations, intake assessments, and recommendations of parents, teachers and other persons. Identified students shall be assessed annually to determine their level of proficiency in the English language.

The district shall certify to the Colorado Department of Education each year those students identified as English Language Learners.

The district shall provide additional information as required by the Colorado Department of Education to comply with federal law.

LEGAL REFS.: 20 U.S.C. 1703 (f) (*denial of equal educational opportunity prohibited*)
20 U.S.C. 6801 et seq. (*language instruction for English language learners, including immigrant students*)
42 U.S.C. 2000d (*Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964*)
C.R.S. 22-24-101 et seq. (*English Language Proficiency Act*)
1 CCR 301-10 (*State Board of Education rules for the Administration of the English Language Proficiency Act*)