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ACCESS FOR ELLS

Q: For Charter schools, do we keep the ACCESS tests at our school location?

A: Yes, ACCESS for ELLs boxes will be dropped off as usual upon return to physical school location.

NEW STUDENTS

Q: Where can I find the Online Registration process for new students?

A: The online registration is located online at https://www.browardschools.com/register-for-school

Q: How do I know when a LY student (transfer from out-of-county) registers at my school? **A:**

- This student would be registering as a new student to Broward County Public Schools. If the student has prior academic history documentation of ESOL status, it should be entered in TERMS. The student will then appear in your LY roster on ELLevation.
- If no information is provided at registration, the student will be entered as a LP student.

Q: How do I know if there is a new LP student?

A: Information regarding LP students will be available on ELLevation Dashboard in the LP Tile.

Q: Can you clarify LP procedures, saving ELL plan, uploading parent letter, and emailing copy to parent?

A: Instructions are as follows.

- 1. LP students will receive ESOL services while pending IPT assessment.
- 2. An LP Tile is on ELLevation Dashboard to assist in identifying students at your school.
- 3. Use the student list to assign all accommodations for LP students and to notify teachers.
- 4. Save ELL Plan and generate a Notification Placement Letter.
- 5. Please note, the language of the letter has changed to include language of COVID-19.
- 6. **Save** and **upload** the parent letter and email to parents or send later.
- 7. Keep all records **digitally** for now.
- 8. Once students return to school they must be assessed and classified as usual, if the students meet placement criteria.

Q: I had a student register while the school was open, and my registrar was there. The parents registered in person, not online. Who will put enter the student as LP?

A: The IMT/IMS or administration is responsible for updating records for new students.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Q: Do Kindergarten students receive accommodations?

A: Accommodations are for all LY/LF students K-12. The types of accommodations assigned to Kindergarten students should be based on what best supports their needs.

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LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT CAMP

Q: What are the LEC Camp procedures currently?

A: Submit all documents by April 17, 2020. An e-mail was sent with the detailed timeline to all LEC Coordinators. Documents can be submitted to <u>LEC@browardschools.com</u>

Q: Can we submit LEC documents without signatures (timesheets, etc.)?

A: Teachers cannot be compensated without signatures. The timesheets need to be signed, scanned and submitted by the LEC contact. Please note payments are on hold due to COVID-19.

Q: What if the school did not start LEC, should they email <u>LEC@browardschools.com</u> and explain?

A: Yes, any specific school-based situations should be emailed to LEC@browardschools.com

INSTRUCTION – SUPPORTING ELLS THROUGH REMOTE LEARNING

Q: Can you share the link for Supporting ELLs through Remote Learning course for BCPS and Charter?

A: BCPS employees can enroll via https://browardschools.instructure.com/enroll/WYCL9Y Charters will use this link https://browardschools.instructure.com/courses/867005

Q: Can teachers share Bilingual/ESOL support documents on their teacher Canvas courses?

A: Yes, the Supporting ELLs through Remote Learning course was created to support all stakeholders during remote learning. This includes, but is not limited to, teachers, paraprofessionals, administrators, parents, and families.

Q: Will InSync Education be available for the LP students?

A: Yes. Information about login and password for InSync Education can be found at Supporting ELLs through Remote Learning Course, under the Free Online Resources tab.

IMAGINE LEARNING (K-5)

Q: What do I do if a student could not log on to Imagine Learning?

A: They should be accessing Imagine through their Clever login. The parent can contact Imagine by **phone** at 1.866.457.8776 or **Email:** support@imaginelearning.com

Q: Will Imagine Learning be available to the LP students?

A: We are working with our district IT department to allow access to LP students this week.

Q: Will Imagine Learning be available for any LY student?

A: We are working with Imagine Learning to make the program accessible for all students in *grades K-5 for Language and Literacy* and *grades 3-12 for Imagine Math*. More information is forthcoming.

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COMPLIANCE

Q: What is the guideline for conducting Annual meetings and REEVALs?

A: At the current time, there are no next steps for Annual and REEVAL meetings. We are waiting for guidance from the State.

Q: What should we do about students that need to be tested because their DEUSS DATE is this month? How should we test them?

A: At the current time, we are not administering any assessments or conducting any Annual or REEVAL meetings. We are waiting for guidance from the State.

Q: Do you have any updates about the criteria we should follow for scheduling ELL students for next year?

A: At the current time, we are waiting for guidance from the State.

PARENT COMMUNICATION

Q: What is the best solution for teachers who are not able to communicate with the parents, because of the language barrier, for the student to complete their assignments?

A: We have put together many resources for teachers to use. If they need to contact families, there is a site called *Talking Points* https://talkingpts.org/ It allows for communication in many languages and the translations are very accurate.

Google Translate will allow for all the content in CANVAS courses to translate in over 30 languages. This has been a game changer for our students. Instructions are on the Supporting ELLs through Remote Learning Canvas Course.

If communication continues to be a barrier, please contact our *Parent Outreach Department* via email at esolparents@browardschools.com

Q: How do I share the Google translate video with parents?

A: All parent resources are available on the Supporting ELLs through Remote Learning Canvas site under the Parent Resources tab. You can copy the link and share with the parent.

MISCELLANEOUS

Q: Do Title III funded ESOL Resource Teachers complete Title III logs (select schools only)? **A:** Yes, per Title III requirement.