ELD PROGRAM GOALS

The ELD program in the East Penn School District focuses on developing literacy in English through an EL pull-out/push-in program delivery model.

Language Arts instruction is in English. Students receive ELD instruction focused on reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills based on students’ individual language levels. ESL teachers support content area teachers in adapting content to students’ language proficiency level. Instruction is aligned with English Language Development Standards, as well as PA Core Standards.

ELD program is designed to help students attain the language skills they need to maximize success in the classroom and community.

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HOW THE ELD PROGRAM WORKS

IMPROVING ENGLISH SKILLS
The ELD program helps students improve reading, writing, speaking, and understanding the English language. The ELD program is designed to help students attain the language skills they need to maximize success in the classroom and community. The ELD program supports the students’ use of English in the school setting and in their daily lives.

ESL TEACHERS
Teachers certified as ESL program specialists provide ELD instruction in each of our schools. ESL teachers and classroom teachers work together to create an educational plan, monitor progress, and provide appropriate accommodations for your child. They also offer assistance to students and encourage opportunities for their involvement in the larger school community. All instruction is presented in English, and ESL teachers work with students in small groups in or out of the classroom. Books, visual aids, videos, technology, and educational games are used to promote active participation in the learning process and deliver the curriculum.

ENGLISH LEARNERS PROGRESS
East Penn School District is above the state achievement percentages in both the annual increase in the percentage of children making progress toward learning English and the percentage of children attaining English proficiency.

PSSA ACHIEVEMENT FOR MONITORED STUDENTS
Utilizing our 2019-20 ACCESS 2.0 testing results, 33 out of our 165 EL students (18%) exited the program for the 2020-21 school year.

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