

OELL Instructional Theory of Change for English Learners (Draft)

"By providing supports and tools on effective instructional practices at the district level- including professional development, materials and resources, observational guidance, family outreach and engagement and fostering of cross functional collaboration - administrators and teachers of Boston Public School English Learners will integrate exemplary research-based practices to ensure independent, empowered, literate and globally proficient career and college-ready scholars."



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on use of language (appropriate to differentiate instruction based on language proficiency levels)

- Ensure that ESL/ELD Courses are aligned to both the Common Core and ESL standards
- Language development takes place in an integrated manner within the appropriate grade level
- Provide equitable materials, resources, facilities, and instruction to all students-regardless of educational background, socioeconomic status and/ or disabilities- in order to make academic language and content accessible
- High-utility, cross-discipline academic language development is an instructional focus

presentation cross content areas

- Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of data to express information and enhance understanding of presentations
- Demonstrate research skills to:
 - O Identify topics and formulate questions for productive inquiry
 - O Identify appropriate methods and sources for research and evaluate critically the source they find
 - O Use their chosen sources effectively in their writing and citing all sources appropriately

OELL / District Support

Support BPS Educational Community on effective practices by providing professional learning opportunities in the following areas:

- O Focused Language Study (FLS) strategies; A dedicated time for very targeted ELD which focuses on how English works.
- O Discipline-specific and Academic Language Expansion (DALE) strategies; Instruction is in the context of grade-level content and focuses on deliberate language development through complex thought, texts, talk and task.
- O 3 Ls Newcomer Strategies
- O WIDA ELD Standards Professional Development
- O ESL/ELD level standards to the Common Core.
- O Targeted services and instructional programs for ELs
- O Effective instructional methodologies and classroom practices.
- O Professional Learning Communities
- O Increasing Academic Discourse
- O Seal of Biliteracy training

The District will provide tools to support the following:

- Implementation of effective ELD/ESL curriculum and instruction for ELs delivered in order to meet CCSS language demands
- Equitable access to bilingual programming for English Learners
- Supports for key EL student groups, such as Long-Term ELLs and ELLSWD and SLIFE

