



SANTA MONICA - MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

English Learner Committee (ELAC)

School: FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Date of ELAC meeting: 12/2/22

Room # 28- 9am – in person meeting

Members present: Sign in sheet is attached.

Parents: Lior Ligumsky, Emanuelle Fasulo, Nataliya Telepko, Olena Tokreva

Staff: Eran Zeevi, Sheri Hyding, Florencia Rams, Maura Zagor

Mandated Topics: (Check the topic(s) covered)

	1. Assist in the development of school-wide need assessment.
	2. Assist with efforts to make parents aware of the importance of regular school attendance.
x	3. Advise the principal and staff in the development of a site plan for ELs and submit plan to the school council for consideration of inclusion in the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)
	4. Receive training to assist members in carrying out their legal responsibilities.
	5. Elect representative(s) for the District English Learner Advisory Committee

I The meeting started at 9:06am

II MEETING MINUTES: Second meeting for this school year. The previous minutes were not shared as there was no quorum

III ELAC Mandated Topic(s):

The principal gave an update of school events and news (Safety survey for parents, assemblies, Book Fair, Author presentation, Shelter in place drill). Also, he is looking for teachers interested in running homework club or any other class after school, for newcomers. Looking for certified teachers

The Principal invited the parents to the School Site Council. The meeting is once a month, on Mondays after school, and it is held via zoom or in person. All parents are invited. It's important to have a voice from the ELAC parents, specially for the English learner's goals in the SPSA.

IV ELAC Discussion /Recommendation

Ms. Maura Zagor, Literacy and Language Interventionist, gave a presentation about her role at Franklin. She is only here 3 mornings a week (8:30-11am) due to the low number of English learner students at Franklin. She also works at Roosevelt.

Parent: can we ask for a full time teacher like you?

Answer: yes, you can. You can take that suggestion to the District level, at the DELAC.

Ms Zagor explained the test for newcomers/English learners. Initial test and summative test At Franklin, she works with EL students in 2nd & 3rd grades, in reading support, if they score 10% or lower in the Star test.

Sometimes, she works with newcomers, depending on their English level.

She reviewed the ELPAC test and the different sections of the test (listening, writing, reading, speaking).

Also, she supports 4th and 5th grade English learners who are not ready to be reclassified. This means that they are not fully English proficient. She works with them 3 times a week using a program called English 3D



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The curriculum includes academic language frames, new vocabulary, discussion practice, writing of templates, etc

Home language is an asset and it is very important that students continue developing their home language.

Parent: can we have a class only for newcomers?

Answer: Yes, it would be nice. We need to know whether the students can work together. Maybe after school and also include cultural diversity.

Parent: Is there anything we can do?

Answer: We need to find a certified teacher and the PTA is willing to pay for this teacher.

Parent: How can I support my kid at home? She is in Kinder but I can't explain the English grammar rules.

Answer: For the moment we don't have extra classes to support reading at school. You can check the different programs at the public library for reading. She can use the Brain pop reading program and also the public library has a lot of e-books. She should have a Chromebook at home.

You can play games and practice the letters and sight words with flash cards.

Parent: Can the English learners have a Chromebook at home?

Answer: Ask your kids teacher and check with her how to get into Clever.

It's important that all the families apply for the Free & Reduced lunch program. This is not only for the food, it is also used to qualify to other support program

Parent: ELPAC is the same test in each grade? From Kinder to 5th. Grade?

Elpac is the same for K-2 and there is a different one for 3-5 grades

Ms. Zagor explained the ELPAC assessment and the different vocabulary programs that she uses for EL.

Parent: We would like to have more programs for newcomers to feel more comfortable and build their self-esteem so they can be more connected. The Delac rep will take that suggestion to the Delac meeting

V DELAC Report:

All ELAC representatives from the Santa Monica-Malibu School District meet once a month in a meeting called DELAC. It is not mandatory but we ask our representative to attend if possible. It is a good opportunity for reviewing the plan for English learners over the district. This meeting is open to the public. All parents are welcome.

(The following is a brief summary of the DELAC report) – Nataliya Mikhnova, gave a brief report about the first DELAC meeting on November 7 at 9am via Zoom.

Next DELAC meeting will be held on Monday, December 5at 9am via Zoom.

VI Other presentation(s)(Summary)

The community liaison showed the parents how to access to clever and the different programs that the school provide for the students (Lexia, Brain pop).

VII Announcements: (Summary)

Dates for the next meeting: (in agenda) Friday, January 27- 9am- Room # 28

The meeting was adjourned at: 10:15am-Respectfully submitted by Florencia Rams- Bilingual Community Liaison