

ESOL Frequently Asked Questions

1. Where can I find a student's DEUSS date?

Please refer to the original Home Language Survey to find the date the student first entered a U.S. school.

2. Does preschool count toward a student's DEUSS date?

No, Kindergarten is the earliest school level recorded for DEUSS date purposes.

3. What is the criteria for administering the language proficiency test (LAS Links) to determine student eligibility in the ESOL program?

The entry test should be administered to any student whose Home Language Survey has a YES marked on any of the three survey questions.

4. What is the criteria for a exiting a student from the ESOL program?

Students may be exited from the program based on test scores (see criteria below) or by ELL Committee. If exiting by ELL Committee, annotated documentation must be recorded in the student's blue folder **(Use code L in AS400)**.

Test Score Criteria for Exit:

Kindergarten – Grade 2 – WIDA overall proficiency score of 4.0 or higher **and** a reading domain score of 4.0 or higher **(Use Code H in AS400)**.

Grades 3 – 9 – WIDA overall proficiency score of 4.0 or higher **and** a reading domain score of 4.0 or higher **and** a passing FSA ELA score **(Use CODE I in AS400)**.

Grades 10-12 – WIDA overall proficiency score of 4.0 or higher and a reading domain score of 4.0 or higher and a score on the 10th grade FSA ELA sufficient to meet applicable graduation requirements or an equivalent concordant score pursuant to Section 1008.22 **(Use Code J in AS400)**.

5. What are the WIDA test window dates for 2017-2018 school year?

The WIDA test window is January 29 – March 23, 2018. Please see your school-based testing coordinator for more information.