Title Ill Limited English Proficiency No Child Left Behind Requirements

Language Instruction Educational Program Defined

Language instruction educational program means an instruction course in which LEP students are placed for the purpose of attaining English proficiency, while meeting challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards. A language instruction educational program may make use of both English and a child's native language to enable the child to develop and attain English proficiency. Programs may include the participation of English proficient students in addition to LEP students if such a program enables participating students to become proficient in English and a second language.

Limited English Proficiency Program Requirements

- Provide high quality language instruction educational programs designed to prepare LEP students to learn English and to be able to enter all-English instruction settings.
- Increase student academic achievement in the core academic subjects.

End of the Year Accountability Requirements

- Compile data of the progress made by the students in learning English, including the students' level of comprehension, speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in English.
- Compile data of the progress made by the students in meeting State standards.

Parent Notification Requirements

- The district must inform parents of their child's identification for participation in an LEP program within 30 days of the start of the year or program.
- The district must inform the parents in an understandable format and language the parents can understand.

Testing Requirements

- LEP students must be tested annually for English proficiency by measuring students oral language, reading and writing skills in English.
- Identified students not proficient enough in English to take the State achievement test may receive a waiver allowing for accommodations, modifications or an alternative assessment such as student portfolios, structured interviews, or performance-based tasks.