



New Jersey ACCESS 2.0 for English Learners

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Understanding the ACCESS 2.0



ACCESS for ELLs scores are used for:

- Making decisions about whether students are ready to exit English language support services;
- Decision-making for student placement into appropriate classes or groups for instruction, instructional planning;
- Monitoring the progress that students have made in English language proficiency; and
- Public reporting of English language learners' (ELLs) progress toward English language proficiency.





Understanding the ACCESS 2.0

Student Participation Guidelines

Administered annually to all K-12 students identified as English Language Learners (ELLs)

ACCESS for ELLs	Alternate ACCESS for ELLs
All students in grades K–12 currently identified as ELLs in accordance with New Jersey's ELL identification process and who have an ELL Identification Date in NJ SMART.	Students in grades 1–12 who are identified as ELLs with significant intellectual disabilities as reflected in their Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and meet or will be eligible to meet New Jersey's criteria for participation in the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) assessment should participate in the Alternate ACCESS for ELLs assessment.
Includes ELLs whose parents have refused services.	Includes ELLs whose parents have refused services.

Note: If a new student enters two weeks or less prior to the test window closing, they do not need to be tested. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact the NJDOE Office of Assessments at assessment@doe.nj.gov.



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Individual Student Report 2023

This report provides information about the student's scores on the ACCESS for ELLs English language proficiency test. This test is based on the WIDA English Language Development Standards and is used to measure students' progress in learning English. Scores are reported as Language Proficiency Levels and as Scale Scores.

Language Domain	Proficiency Level (Possible 1.0-6.0) 1 2 3 4 5 6	Scale Score (Possible 100-600) and Confidence Band See Interpretive Guide for Score Reports for definitions 200 300 400 500
Listening	2.8	307 []
Speaking	2.5	Domain P
Reading	2.5	322
Writing	3.8	339 Listening
Oral Language 50% Listening + 50% Speaking	2.6	289 Speaking
Literacy 50% Reading + 50% Writing	3.4	331
Comprehension 70% Reading + 30% Listening	2.6	318 Reading
Overall* 35% Reading + 35% Writing + 15% Listening + 15% Speaking	3.2	318

Data Points that are Available:

- Proficiency level by domain
- Scale Score by domain
- Instructional expectations based on domain and proficiency level

Domain	Proficiency Level	Students at this level generally can		
Listening	2	understand oral language related to specific familiar topics in school and can participate in class discussions, for exa • Identify main topics in discussions • Categorize or sequence information presented orally using pictures or objects • Sort facts and opinions stated orally		
Speaking	2	communicate ideas and information orally in English using language that contains short sentences and everyday we phrases, for example: • Share about what, when, or where something happened • Compare objects, people, pictures, and events • Express opinions	rds and	
Reading	2	understand written language related to specific familiar topics in school and can participate in class discussions, for example: • Identify main ideas in written information • Identify main actors and events, in stories and simple texts • Distinguish between claim and evidence statemen with pictures or graphs	ts	
Writing	3	communicate in writing in English using language related to common topics in school, for example: Describe familiar issues and events Create stories or short narratives Describe processes and procedures with some det		





2023 Participation Rate



Total Number of Multi Language Learners	Total Number of MLLs who Participate in the ACCESS for ELLs State Testing	Participation Rate for the 2022-2023 School Year
143	<mark>141</mark>	98% Participation Rate





TPS: English Language Learners - Participation by Grade Level



143 English Learners

4% of Teaneck Public Schools' Total Student Population

Elementary English Learners			
Grade ELLS per Grade Level			
Kindergarten	10		
First	10		
Second	13		
Third	12		
Fourth	13		
Total	58		

Middle School English Learners			
Grade	e ELLS per Grade Level		
Fifth	10		
Sixth	11		
Seventh	7		
Eighth	14		
Total	42		

High School English Learners		
Grade	ELLS per Grade Level	
Ninth	17	
Tenth	13	
Eleventh	6	
Twelfth	5	
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TPS Elementary - Achievement by Domain and Proficiency Level

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Kindergarten - Fourth Grade	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
1 – Entering Knows and uses minimal social language and minimal academic language with visual and graphic support	19%	21%	16%	21%
2 – Emerging Knows and uses some social English and general academic language with visual and graphic support	10%	24%	31%	16%
Developing Knows and uses social English and some specific academic language with visual and graphic support	5%	26%	17%	31%
4 – Expanding Knows and uses social English and some technical academic language	10%	17%	14%	26%
5 – Bridging Knows and uses social and academic language working with grade level material	12%	2%	19%	7%
6 – Reaching Knows and uses social and academic language at the highest level measured by this test	43%	10%	3%	0%

Total Test Takers -58 Students





TPS Middle School - Achievement by Domain and Proficiency Level

Fifth - Eighth Grade	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
1 – Entering Knows and uses minimal social language and minimal academic language with visual and graphic support	5%	21%	36%	31%
2 – Emerging Knows and uses some social English and general academic language with visual and graphic support	24%	33%	19%	19%
3 – Developing Knows and uses social English and some specific academic language with visual and graphic support	12%	31%	24%	38%
4 – Expanding Knows and uses social English and some technical academic language	12%	14%	10%	12%
5 – Bridging Knows and uses social and academic language working with grade level material	12%	0%	10%	0%
6 – Reaching Knows and uses social and academic language at the highest level measured by this test	36%	0%	2%	0%

Total Test Takers -42 Students





Teaneck High School - Achievement by Domain and Proficiency Level

Ninth - Twelfth Grade	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
1 – Entering Knows and uses minimal social language and minimal academic language with visual and graphic support	12%	32%	22%	20%
2 – Emerging Knows and uses some social English and general academic language with visual and graphic support	22%	15%	34%	12%
3 – Developing Knows and uses social English and some specific academic language with visual and graphic support	17%	49%	10%	49%
4 – Expanding Knows and uses social English and some technical academic language	17%	5%	12%	20%
5 – Bridging Knows and uses social and academic language working with grade level material	15%	0%	15%	0%
6 – Reaching Knows and uses social and academic language at the highest level measured by this test	17%	0%	7%	0%

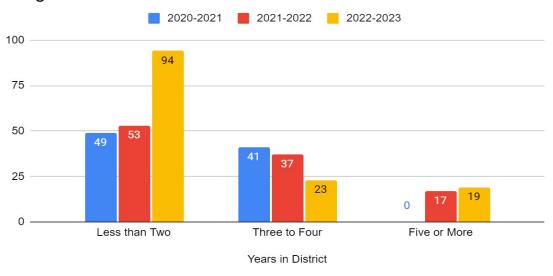
Total Test Takers -41 Students



Three - Year Comparison of Student Data



MLLs: Three Year Comparison - Years in Language Acquisition Program



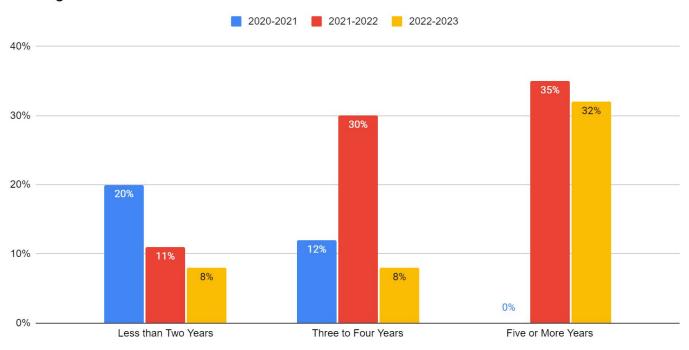




Three - Year Comparison of Student Data



Three Year Comparison: Percentage of Students who Earned a 4.5 or Higher by Years in Program







Next Steps Interventions for our English Learners



• Reading and writing are the *last* two attributes to develop for English learners.

Next Steps:

Sharpening Reading Instruction using a Multisensory, Scientific-Based Reading Approach

- Over the summer, the elementary ESL team participated in a five-day, thirty hour training on structured literacy using multisensory reading instruction.
- In the 2023-2024 school year, all kindergarten through fourth grade English learners will receive small group, multisensory reading instruction to support both language acquisition and comprehension, spelling, and writing.
 - In addition to language acquisition, English learners will be provided with additional instruction on understanding the alphabetic principle, graphemes and morphemes.
 - The curricula and pacing calendar for all English learners includes an intentional focus on the teaching of reading and language acquisition.

Accelerating Writing Proficiency by Providing Explicit Writing Instruction

• Professional development over the school year will focus on teaching writing using the graduate release of responsibility model of instruction.

