

SWR English as a New Language (ENL) Update January 5, 2022

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An illustration on a light purple background showing two stylized characters. On the left, a man with a dark skin tone, a black crew cut, and a blue and white striped shirt is smiling. A white speech bubble above him contains the text '¡Hola!'. On the right, a woman with a light skin tone, black hair in a bun, and a white top is also smiling. A white speech bubble above her contains the text 'Ni hao!'.

¡Hola!

Ni hao!

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Cultural differences should not separate us from each other, but rather cultural diversity brings a collective strength that can benefit all of humanity.

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2021-2022 ENL Enrollment (33 students) & Languages Spoken (7)



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Chinese,
Japanese &
Korean



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Spanish



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Urdu



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Portuguese

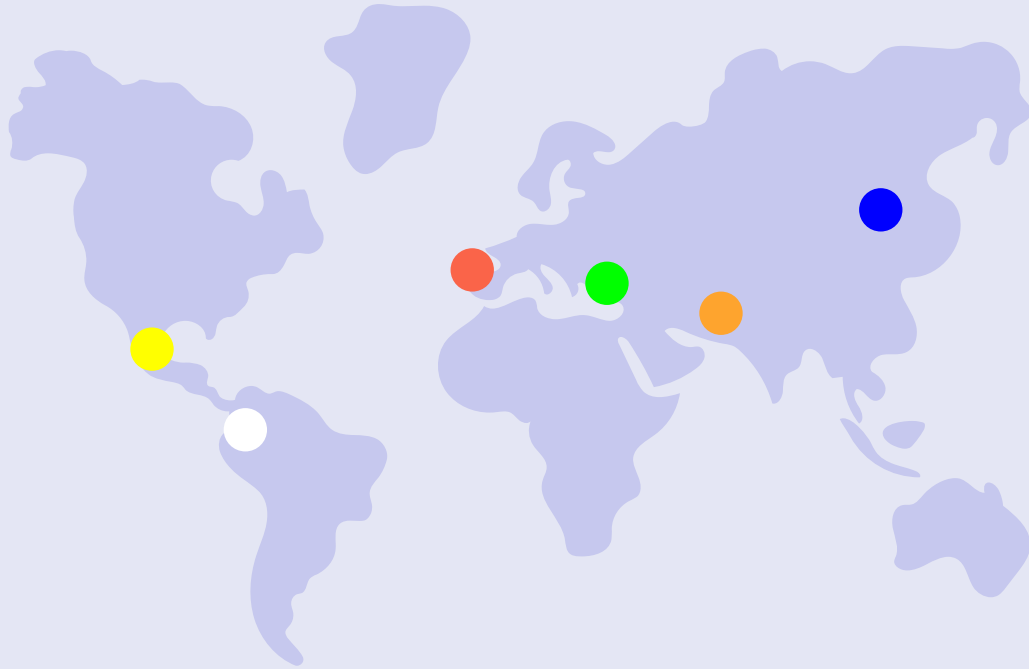


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Turkish



Where Our ELLs Are From



● China, North Korea, Japan

● Pakistan

● Portugal

● Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador

● Columbia, Ecuador

● Turkey

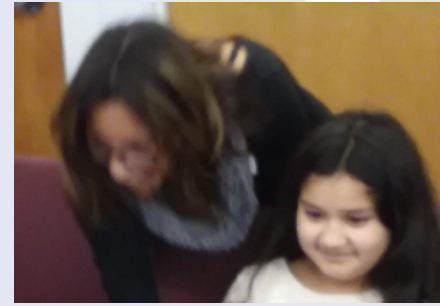
ENL Enrollment by Building and Levels

2021-2022 ENL TOTALS

Grade Level	Miller Avenue	Wading River	Prodell Middle	SWR High School	TOTAL
Entering	0	0	0	0	0
Emerging	2	0	0	2	4
Transitioning	3	2	0	1	6
Expanding	2	7	4	5	17
Commanding	1	0	2	2	5
TOTAL	8	9	6	10	33

ENL Staffing and Services

- NYS CR Part 154 requirements determine the number of minutes and type of service each student receives from a certified ENL teacher.
- SWR's four ENL teachers possess K-12 Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) certification.
- Ms. Hoey provides ENL instruction and support to our elementary ENL students and co-teachers.
- Ms. Zambrano is working with our Prodell ENL students and co-teachers, as well as some 5th grade ENL students at Wading River.
- Ms. Vique-Kearney is working with our high school ENL students and co-teachers.
- In addition to her Spanish course instruction, Ms. Barlow also provides ENL support and instruction to some of our high school ENL students.



Identifying and Assessing ENL Students

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HLQ/SIFE Screeners

After registration and enrollment, the Home Language Questionnaire (HLQ) is completed by the parent/guardian to determine ELL status; Students with Interrupted/Inconsistent Formal Education (SIFE) get additional screening.

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NYSITELL

The New York State Identification Test for English Language Learners (NYSITELL) serves as the State's formal English language proficiency assessment in the process for initially identifying English Language Learners in New York State.

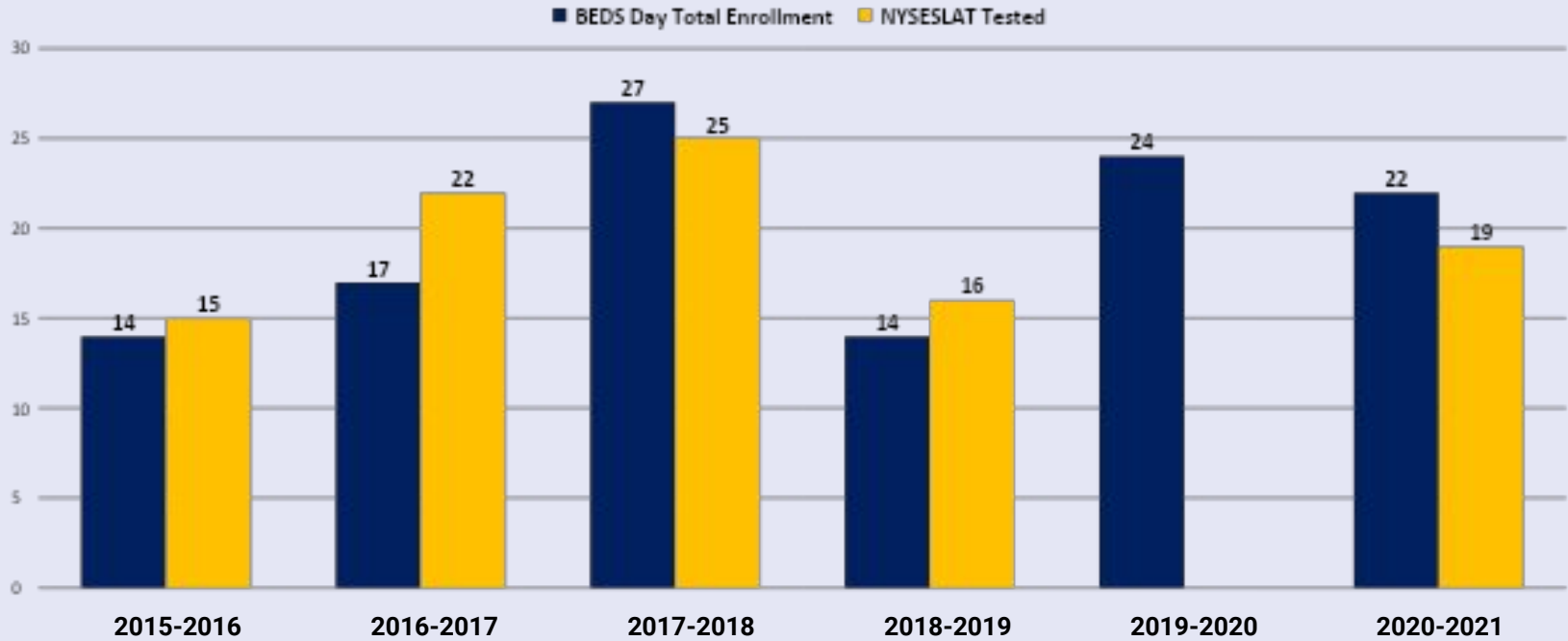
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NYSESLAT

The New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) is designed to annually assess the English language proficiency of all English Language Learners (ELLs) enrolled in Grades K–12 in New York State schools.



SWR ELL Enrollment Overview





SWR NYSESLAT Student Progress

- Our ELLs, particularly those who have been with us for multiple years of instruction and support, are making steady progress.
- For our students who have been with us for three to five years, all but one has demonstrated significant scale score growth, attaining Expanding and Commanding levels on their most recent NYSESLAT exam.



Family Engagement!

In 2018-2019 we restored the practice of an annual ENL Family Night and it has grown each year in scope and participation.

We have also added some field trip opportunities for our ELLs.



SWR is a member of the LIRBERN Title III Consortium which provides the following benefits to our district's ENL teachers, students and program:

- A detailed annual member guide of resources and contacts for assistance and networking
- An annual “Celebration of Learning” centered around a theme and built into a Google Site for sharing and additional resources
- Ongoing technical assistance
- Professional development workshops
- Individualized on-site program consultation regarding the education of English Language Learners
- Access to a Shared Data Expert specific to the Title III Consortium





The New York State Seal of Biliteracy

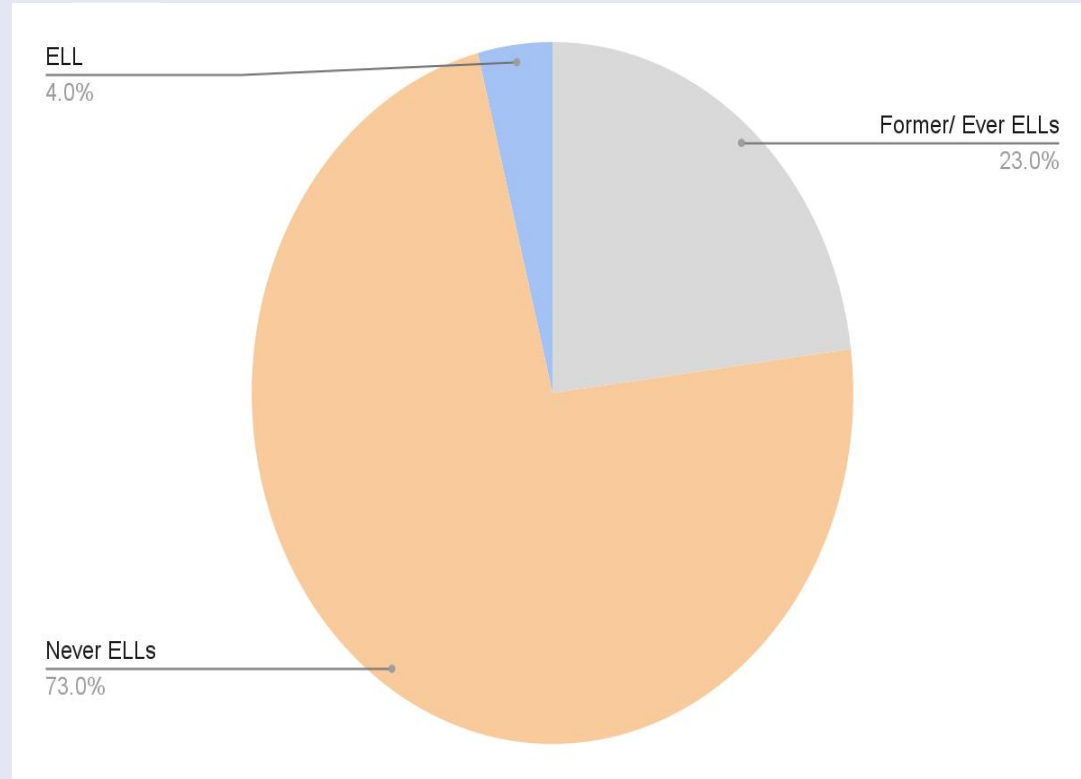
- The New York State Legislature established the New York State Seal of Biliteracy (NYSSB) in 2012 to recognize New York State high school graduates who demonstrate academic excellence in attaining proficiency in one or more languages other than English.
- The NYSSB was first piloted in 2015-16 by 20 schools and a total of 284 graduating seniors earned the NYSSB.
- Since 2015-2016, this NYSSB distinction has been awarded to over 17,800 students from hundreds of New York State schools.
- Over 60 Long Island schools offered the Seal in 2019-20.
- SWR established a committee to implement the NYSSB program into the high school and we were just recently approved as a school who can offer the NYSSB for 2021-2022!

Former/ Ever ELL is used to refer to students who were previously identified as ELLs, but have since exited the program by achieving English proficiency per their NYSESLAT score.

ELL is used to refer to students identified as having language acquisition needs pursuant to Part 154 of the Commissioner's regulations.

Never ELL is used to refer to students who were never identified as having language acquisition needs pursuant to Part 154 of the Commissioner's regulations.

Percentage of Students Earning the NYSSB by ELL Status in NYS (2019-20)





SWR's NYSSB Program and Students

The goal of the Shoreham-Wading River NYSSB committee is to facilitate the implementation of the New York State Seal of Biliteracy which will positively contribute to our district in the following ways:

- encourage the study of language and increase enrollment of upper level world language and English courses
- recognize the value of language diversity
- provide employers with a method of identifying people with language skills
- provide universities with a method to recognize and give credit to applicants for attainment of high-level skills in multiple languages
- prepare students with 21st century skills
- honor the multiple cultures and languages in our ever-changing world

***We currently have eight seniors eligible and interested in pursuing the NYSSB and one of those seniors is an ELL student who is on a pathway to earning the Seal!**



Additional ENL Program Considerations

A portion of the district's CARES Pandemic Relief Grant funding has been allocated to support our ENL student needs through programs such as:

- ENL After School Extension Program
- ENL Saturday Enrichment Program
- Language Buddy Club at MA and WR
- ENL Summer Program
- Supplemental Support Staff

THANK YOU

Any questions?

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¡Gracias!

