



English Learner (EL) Parent Needs Assessment Survey 2020-2021

The needs assessment survey is one of the 7 responsibilities that DELAC has to complete at the district level *. The survey consists of a series of questions created to elicit parental input regarding services and needs of EL students. It was created in consultation with a group of EL parents from different schools throughout the district. It was available online from February 26 to April 2, 2021. A select number of paper surveys were also available in schools. The survey was anonymous and confidential.

These are the results of the survey that was completed by 505 parents of English learners.

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	Mother	Father	Grand mother	Grand father	Other Guardian	Total
1. I am:	87.3%	8.7%	1.2%	0.2%	2.6%	
Count	434	43	6	1	13	497

	0-3 years	4-6 years	7-10 years	11 years or more	Total
2. How long has your child attended this school	54.2%	30.0%	13.4%	2.4%	
Count	267	148	66	12	493
3. How long has your child attended this school district	49.2%	28.8%	16.0%	6.0%	
Count	236	138	77	29	480

	Yes	No	Not sure	Total
4. Did you know your child has been identified as an English Language Learner?	83.33%	8.13%	8.54%	
Count	410	40	42	492

SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

	0-3 times	4-6 times	7-10 times	11 times or more	Total
5. Last year, how many times did you visit your child's school?	50.51%	27.72%	8.83%	12.94%	
Count	246	135	43	63	487

	Almost Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Total
6. The office staff is polite and respectful when I visit the school.	55.9%	23.8%	19.0%	1.3%	
Count	268	114	91	6	497
7. The school's environment promotes a feeling of safety for parents and families.	58.1%	28.7%	11.5%	1.6%	
Count	247	122	49	7	425
8. The school's environment promotes a feeling of safety for my child.	59.7%	27.3%	12.1%	0.9%	
Count	252	115	51	4	422

	Almost Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Total
9. How frequent was harassment or bullying a problem at your school this school year?	7.1%	8.4%	21.5%	63.0%	
Count	26	31	79	232	368
10. The school responds promptly to my phone calls, messages, or emails?	53.1%	27.1%	18.7%	1.1%	
Count	241	123	85	5	454

	Yes	No	Total
11. At my child's school, the principal is seen in the hallways and involved in classroom activities during the school year?	92.1%	7.9%	
Count	336	29	365
12. My child's school provides information and seeks input from parents before making important decisions?	88.8%	11.2%	
Count	356	45	401
13. As a parent, I have been informed of the emergency procedures at my school.	83.0%	17.0%	
Count	352	72	424

GENERAL SCHOOL SERVICE

	Almost Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Total
14. The teacher keeps me informed about my child's academic progress in a way that is easy to understand aside from report cards.	62.3%	26.0%	8.8%	2.9%	
Count	276	115	39	13	443
15. My child's school enforces school rules fairly and consistently for my child and all students.	53.9%	31.1%	14.0%	1.0%	
Count	227	131	59	4	421
16. Parent and teacher conferences focus on student achievement and how to collaborate in ways that both parties can assist the student to achieve success.	64.0%	25.1%	10.0%	0.9%	
Count	275	108	43	4	430

	Yes	No	Total
17. My children's school has high expectations for all students.	96.1%	3.9%	
Count	396	16	412
18. I understand my child's school offers access to all curriculum for all core subject.	95.6%	4.4%	
Count	416	19	435

ENGLISH LEARNER SPECIFIC NEEDS

	Almost Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Total
19. My child's school provides interpreters or translators to help parents.	55.4%	23.5%	16.7%	4.4%	
Count	212	90	64	17	383
20. My child has received counseling services?	51.0%	21.2%	17.3%	10.5%	
Count	195	81	66	40	382

	Yes	No	Total
21. The school provides information about the English Language Learner Program.	92.6%	7.4%	
Count	352	28	380
22. I understand and comprehend the information the school provides about the English Language Learner Program.	83.5%	16.5%	
Count	328	65	393
23. I know and understand my child's ELPAC test results.	72.4%	27.6%	
Count	284	108	392
24. I know and understand the English Language Development (ELD) curriculum?	74.4%	25.6%	
Count	287	99	386

	Yes	No	Total
25. The English Language Development (ELD) instruction throughout the day has improved my child's English language proficiency.	89.2%	10.8%	
Count	331	40	371

PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHOOL

	Yes	No	Total
26. Has your child participated in an intervention and/or additional supports programs this school year?	38.8%	61.2%	
Count	145	229	374

Check all that apply.

During the instructional day with another teacher or in small group.	51.5%	86
Afterschool	43.7%	73
Summer School	16.8%	28
Other (see responses below)	11.4%	19
Outside of school	10.2%	17

Other Responses

- English classes
- Eld
- IEP
- Karate
- Reading and history
- More practice at home
- None
- No help received
- Pandemic/social distance
- Rosetta stone and the music teacher
- Speech therapy
- Tutoring
- Tutoring

	Yes	No	Total
27. Do you actively participate in your child's education so that you can be aware of his/her academic performance?	76.7%	23.3%	
Count	247	75	322

I participate in: (check all that apply)

Teacher Conferences	63.9%	159
Coffee Hour	47.4%	118
ELAC	32.9%	82
Volunteer (see responses below)	29.7%	74
Special Events	26.1%	65
DELAC	15.3%	38
Trainings	14.5%	36
PTA/PTO	14.1%	35
Other (see responses below)	11.6%	29
SSC	7.2%	18

Volunteer Responses

None

Other Responses

- Afternoon classes
- Sometimes because I don't understand English
- Because of work
- Booster meetings
- Emailing teachers & specialist
- In person. I don't understand technology
- Homework
- IEP meetings
- In person
- Just following up everyday after work hours
- No comment
- Not informed
- Not this year
- PAC
- Participated selling chocolates
- Staying in contact with teacher
- Not this year because of pandemic
- This year not in person
- Everything before the pandemic
- I work Monday through Friday
- When I can this year
- When it is in person
- Work
- You know I find out from other parents

28. Which of the following prevent you from being able to attend and/or participate in school functions, activities, and planning events? (check all that apply)

Time of events	48.9%	128
Family Schedule	45.0%	118
Child Care	38.9%	102
Communication	21.0%	55
Transportation	19.8%	52
Other	17.2%	45

Other Responses

- Because of work and many other necessities.
- Covid
- COVID19
- Due to work hours
- Emergency
- Grad school
- Have a sick Aunt I care for and it's hard for me to find someone to care for her properly requires 24/7 care

- I do not have a babysitter to take care of my 2 year old child.
- Job
- Mom does not know how to read or write.
- Schedule
- Sometimes work
- To many requirements to be able to be in class
- Work
- Work daily
- Work schedule
- Work

COMMUNICATION

29. Where do you get most of your information? (check all that apply)

phone calls	87.9%	364
Internet/social media	33.8%	140
Committees	12.1%	50
Other Parents	11.1%	46
communication from school	10.9%	45
Other (see other responses below)	8%	32

Other Responses

- By the teacher
- Class dojo
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- Classdojo
- District phone calls are a lot often get voicemails that do not apply to my kids/Harrison school and often do not listen to these voice messages it;s a lot. District needs a system to send pertinent messages to parent.
- E mail
- Email
- Email
- Emails
- Emails
- Meeting
- Mrs Orosco informs us
- My daughter
- School emails
- School website
- SUSD APP
- Teacher
- Texts
- The teacher
- Through my email
- Virtual meetings with school principal
- Visiting the school website

30. Where do you like to receive school information? (check all that apply)

phone calls	77.7%	317
text messages	58.8%	240
Email	55.6%	227
communication from school	33.6%	137
School website	22.8%	93
Facebook	9.3%	38
Comittees	5.6%	23
Instagram	3.7%	15
Other Parents	2.9%	12
Other (see responses below)	2.2%	9
Twitter	1.0%	4

Other Responses

- Class dojo
- I would prefer text messages pertinent to my childs school and pertinent to my children
- Mail
- Mrs Orosco
- Remind
- SUSD APP

NEEDS

	Yes	No	Total
31. Do you have the resources at home to help your child be successful in school?	92.6%	7.4%	
Count	375	30	405

	Computer	Internet	Other	Total
32. I have these resources at home.	79.2%	95.1%	3.91%	
Count	324	389	16	409

Other Responses

- English clases
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- Reading and history
- More practice at home
- None
- No help received
- Pandemic/social distance
- Rosetta stone and the music teacher
- Speech therapy
- Tutoring
- Tutoring

33. What type of support do you need from your school? (check all that apply)

Interpreter/translator	47.1%	148
Parenting classes	43.0%	135
Other (see responses below)	39.2%	123
Adult education classes	35.7%	112
Childcare	26.8%	84
Networking with other families	11.8%	37

Other Responses

- Better teachers
- Counseling for Elias doesn't want to do homework
- English and computer classes
- Have bilingual community assistant staff, library assistant, office staff, assistant principal, kindergarten and 1st grade teachers, yard-duty
- How to help my child want to learn new things
- If my child attends in class, I need to know what have he learned from school everyday or every week,so I can understand and keep track what he learns by sending every paperwork that he's done in class every day.
- Know how to help my children to make an effort in their studies and not to be discouraged to continue studying more available tutoring classes.
- Music workshops
- None
- Nothing
- Principals listening to parents concerns and taking action if needed. Value opinions.
- Resources available to help my child/testing.
- That they explain well that they are an EL student and the results of the tests they take
- Tutoring classes for struggling students

34. What type of support do you need from your school district? (check all that apply)

Interpreter/translator	48.3%	141
Parenting classes	44.2%	129
Adult education classes	42.8%	125
Childcare	29.1%	85
Networking with other families	14.4%	42
Other (see responses below)	7.5%	22

Other Responses

- Better teachers
- After school tutoring
- Counseling / tutor to help with homework
- Free after school activities like soccer or martial arts
- Have bilingual community assistant staff, library assistant, office staff, assistant principal, kindergarten and 1st grade teachers, yard-duty
- Materials for students to practice on
- More available tutoring classes.
- More education for parents about curriculum changes
- My apartment is far from the school

- None
- Nothing
- Resources available to help my child/testing.
- Schedule meetings in the afternoons to be able to attend frequently
- To explain the sheet they send when they take their English learner tests and the sheet they send when they do or do not reclassify
- Transport service

35. What workshops would you like your school to offer?

- Help with homework
- A class on how the funds they give for parent workshops can be distributed or where it is used
- Adult English classes
- After school program for students to get help with homework or projects.
- After school programs
- After school tutoring and sports and English classes
- A-G requirements and an explanation of what they mean with these requirements.
- A-G requirements and tutoring
- A-G requirements and tutoring when children want to improve their academic level.
- AG requirements, a clear understanding on how to apply to a high school,
- A-G requirements, money for him
- Art and Music Workshops
- Ballet class, instruments, sports, exercises, sing
- Cash for college
- Cash for college
- Mandatory Reading programs
- E-mail tree for all families by site with information of weekly events and expectation from students.
- Classes for parents
- College courses
- Computers and English classes for parents
- Dance and music Workshops
- ELAC, ESL
- English classes
- English classes
- English classes and Computer classes.
- English classes and how to help to be homework
- English classes and money for college
- English classes and money for school
- English classes for language learners.
- English classes for parents
- English classes in school
- English classes to be able to support them
- English classes, cash for college
- English classes, money for school
- English classes. Computer workshops
- English classes. More English class for English learning children, more formal sports classes, or painting classes, music classes, student motivation classes.
- ESL, requirements.
- Focus and have a little more explanation on homework
- For my son it would be very useful if they would help him with homework because he is still an English learner and does not understand many things

- Guide parents to help our children in their learning
- Help children with their homework
- Help with homework
- Help with homework
- Help with homework and computer
- Help with homework and money for college
- Help with homework and teach us to use applications like i-Ready and Seesaw
- Help with homework English classes
- Help with homework in English for my children
- Help with homework in English
- Help with homework
- Help with homework, English classes
- Help with homework, how to prepare kids for college, help them focus on a career and resources for grants and scholarships
- Help with homework, money for school
- Help with homework, more time with students to grasp the meaning of their assignments.
- Help with homework. More Hispanic history. More support for students. Sports
- Help with homework/adult classes/A-G requirements
- Homework
- Homework or English classes
- Homework and 1:1 tutoring
- Homework help, English classes for adults
- Homework help, help programs like Art, Music, Singing,
- Homework workshop specifically math
- Homeworks
- How
- How can I help my child in the applications sometimes we cannot open them as i-Ready, Seesaw
- How to help with homework
- How to get my child reclassified.
- How to get my EL student to reclassified.
- How to help a student with possible learning disabilities. How to help to reclassify a student.
- How to help children read and write at home.
- How to help my kids to succeed in school
- How to help my student get reclassified .
- How to help with homework
- How to help with Homework
- How to help with homework and scholarships or financial aid and how to keep helping them advance in their studies
- How to help with homework and tutoring.
- How to help with homework
- How to help with homework, English classes
- How to help with homework.
- How to help with homework.
- How to help with student's homework
- How to help with student's homework
- How to help with student's homework. Adult classes and classes for children where we can learn reading, dance music and art.
- I would like Although my daughter the teacher is teaching her in math and reading.
- I would like my principal to be kind to parents and to have more communication
- I would like my school to offer music classes and be kind to parents when they need help.
- I would like that in general the schools had all the necessary resources for the students, whether in money, devices, technology, etc.

- I would like to help you with the task with the people who are capable
- Longer classes
- Materials to help parents help their child test out of ELAC.
- I would like them to have workshops or dance classes such as ballet or sports
- Money
- Money for school
- More after school learning programs
- More support for after-school afternoon programs
- More teachers
- More workshops such as music dance art money for school, better food for the children and that they go out more and explore other schools
- Motivation for graduation
- On how to help with student's homework and how to help to learn how to read write. Tutoring.
- On how to help with student's homework.
- Parent training in helping students success in school
- PIQE
- Resources for school
- Sending all the child's paperwork on the schoolday home, so I know where he is and I can understand to help him with his homework.
- Some type of workshop or a way to help see why my child is having difficulty with reading and comprehension. Or if there is some kind of testing or forum to help with this.
- Sports ,Art, Poetry and writing excivition or copentation
- That they continue helping my girl like they have done it up to now
- There are tutorials at school, but I wish there were websites where my student could individually review math problems in their own time and that these were similar to what they are learning in class, just change the numbers.
- To learn English
- Tutorial to help with homework
- Tutoring
- Tutoring, sports
- Up to now, the things that have offered with parent choice with Clara Muñoz.
- Ways of making homework time fun and useful
- We would like music workshop
- Weekly report on how children are doing ability to return late work
- Workshop to learn how to help my children with their English homework
- Workshops about tutoring for the students. Counseling so that they know how to respect themselves.
- Workshops such as helping students to discover or highlight their talents.
- Workshops to understand the applications that children have for their homework

36. What workshops would you like the school district to offer?

- * -First aid workshops or courses.
- * -Communication with adolescents and underage children.
- * -May they be helpful to the family.
- A.G for school.
- After School Program.
- A-G Requirements
- A-G well explained all
- All of the above # 31a

- Cash for college
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- Computers and science class
- Crafting
- English and computer classes
- English classes
- English classes
- English classes and financial aid for college
- English classes and help for school.
- English classes and homework help
- English classes and money for school
- English classes fo parents
- English classes for adults
- English classes for parents
- English classes for parents to help the children do their homework
- English classes, money for school
- English classes, music, singing, sport more in formal and that the students get excited and motivational
- Classes English classes
- English courses
- English learning
- English workshops for parents
- ESL
- Explain the Xello
- Extra help with homework
- Help with English homework
- Help with homework
- Help with homework
- Help with homework and English learner
- Help with homework at homeLearn English for Parents
- Help with homework English classes
- Help with homework in class and money for college
- Help with homework money for school
- Help with homework, English classes, money for college
- Help with homework, math, and reading
- Help with homework. Writing class to assist my child. Tutoring in different in reading, writing and math.
- Help with the homework
- Homework
- Homework at home
- Homework at school
- How to help with concentration
- How to help with English homework, college requirements.
- How to help with homework
- How to help with homework, English classes
- How to help with homework.
- I would like more assistance for children so that they can learn more how to read
- I would like that in general the schools had all the necessary resources for the students, whether in money, devices, technology, etc.
- I would like the district to listen to the needs of the school and support it, because the teachers and principal know the direct needs of students and parents.
- Keep helping my girl
- Mental health, parenting

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- Money
- Money for college
- Money for musical instruments
- Money for school
- More after school financial aid to help students with homework and other activities at school
- More teachers
- More tutoring for English learners
- Motivation for kids to stay in school
- Music art dance money for school, better food for the children and that they go out more and explore other schools
- Music workshops, dance workshop, Art workshop, help children with homework, English classes for parents to understand and help children with their homework.
- Parents Talk; conference
- PIQE in person
- Programs for our children to get extra support on help to reclassified and the importance to why it needs to be before going to High School.
- Programs to assess students with "disabilities"
- Provide help at the time is need it
- Provide resources for parents to teach our kids to succeed in school
- Returning to work workshops
- Scholarships for college
- School resources (money)
- School supplies
- That they explain well the topics they look at during class
- The A-G requirements well explained and how they are going to work so that students graduate on time.
- To be able to understand the notifications that they send of the test results to know if they are fluent in English
- To write and read to the children
- Tutoring
- Tutoring and sports
- With preparation for parents to help our children
- Workshop for parents how to help my children because there are parents like me who do not know English
- Workshops for students so that they discover or reshape their talents.
- Workshops on how to help our children with homework.
- Workshops to understand the ways that EL students are required to explain A-G well and increase credits to graduate
- More specific explanation of A-G requirements and also an explanation on how in read or interpret the results of the students who take the LPAC

Number of surveys received by school

