

AP 212 – ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Background

The Division supports the provision of an English as a Second Language Program for students requiring assistance with the acquisition of basic English language skills. English as a Second Language programming (ESL) is designed to provide specialized service for students who require assistance in acquiring an English language foundation.

Procedures

1. Eligibility for the program shall be determined by a student's English language proficiency.
2. The program may vary in length and intensity depending on the student's needs.
3. The program shall follow the policies, guidelines and procedures established by the Department.
4. Principals will keep the Second Language Coordinator informed of students requiring ESL instruction.
5. Students requiring English as a Second Language Instruction shall be directed to St. Mary's Elementary School.
6. Written parental approval is required before students are registered in an ESL program.
7. Upon successful completion of an ESL program, students may remain at St. Mary's or return to their neighbourhood school.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 175, 178 Education Act