



ACCESS for ELLs Results: Spring 2025 Administration

Keansburg School

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WIDA ACCESS for ELLs Overview



- ACCESS for ELLs is given to all English language learners during the annual testing window, which typically lasts from mid-February through mid-April.
- Offers a extensive view of language development, helping educators track individual student progress over time.
- •This data-driven approach ensures targeted interventions to support ELLs as they advance through their academic journey.



WIDA ACCESS for ELLs Overview



• Provides a clear picture of English language proficiency across four essential domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing.

• Students are scored accordingly within each domain:

1 - Entering	2 - Emerging	3 □ Developing		
4 - Expanding	5 🛮 Bridging	6 - Reaching		

• English language learners must earn an overall minimum score of 4.5 for consideration (with other criteria) to exit English as a Second Language (ESL) program services.



WIDA ACCESS for ELLs Overview

- •If a student is enrolled at least **two weeks** prior to the closing of the testing window for WIDA ACCESS, he/she must test.
- Any student entering at a **Level 1** essentially has **5 years** to demonstrate progress toward language proficiency; Level 2 has 4 years, and so on.



Summary of District Scores

Grade	Total Tested	Entering Level 1	Emerging Level 2	Developing Level 3	Expanding Level 4	Bridging Level 5	Reaching Level 6	Average Score
К	8	12.5% (1)	25% (2)	50% (4)	12.5% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	3.0 Developing
1	9	11.1% (1)	11.1% (1)	44.4% (4)	33.3% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)	3.5 Developing
2	3	0% (0)	0% (0)	66.7% (2)	33.3% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	4 Expanding
3	6	0% (0)	0% (0)	50% (3)	50% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)	3.7 Developing
4	7	14.3% (1)	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	42.9% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)	2.5 Emerging
5	14	7.1% (1)	28.6% (4)	21.4% (3)	21.4% (3)	14.3% (2)	7.1% (1)	2.6 Emerging
6	7	25% (1)	75% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	2.6 Emerging
7	4	50% (2)	0% (0)	50% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	2.6 Emerging
8	8	28.6 (2)	42.6% (3)	14.1 (1)	14.1 (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	2.6 Emerging
9	2	100% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	1.8 Entering
10-11	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
12	4	25% (1)	0% (0)	50% (2)	25% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	3.3 Developing

Summary of District Scores

Kindergarten – Grade 3:

- Average scores range 3.0–4.0 ("Developing–Expanding").
- Students are progressing, with strong representation at Level 3 (Developing) and some at Level 4 (Expanding).
- Very few (if any) at Bridging (Level 5) or Reaching (Level 6).

Grades 4–8:

- Average scores drop to 2.5–2.6 (Emerging).
- Most students are clustered in Levels 2–3, with limited movement beyond.
- Significant concern: Many students plateau and do not reach Expanding/Bridging levels.

High School (Grades 9 & 12):

- Grade 9 has a very low average (1.8, Entering) all tested students at the lowest level.
- Grade 12 shows slight improvement (3.3, Developing), but no students at Bridging or Reaching.

Overall Patterns:

- Early grades show stronger growth, but progress stalls by upper elementary and middle school.
- Very few students are advancing into higher proficiency levels (5–6).
- The "dip" in grades 4–8 suggests gaps in instructional supports during those years.



Subgroups by Race, Gender Program K-5

Race, Gender, Program ✓							
- Hace, Gender, Program	2024-25 Gr 5 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 4 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 2 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 1 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 3 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr K ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	
Asian, Female, CLEP						Not Met Growth Expectation	
Asian, Female, ELL						Not Met Growth Expectation	
Asian, Female, Free/Reduced Lunch						Not Met Growth Expectation	
Asian, Male, CLEP				Not Met Growth Expectation			
Asian, Male, ELL				Not Met Growth Expectation			
Asian, Male, Free/Reduced Lunch				Not Met Growth Expectation			
Asian, Male, Section 504				Not Met Growth Expectation			
Black/African American, Male, CLEP	First Year Baseline			First Year Baseline			
Black/African American, Male, ELL	First Year Baseline			First Year Baseline			
Black/African American, Male, Free/Reduced Lunch	First Year Baseline			First Year Baseline			
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Female, F	Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Female, Free/Reduced Lunch	Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Female, GenEd	Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Female, Virtual	Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hispanic/Latino, Female, CLEP	Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	
Hispanic/Latino, Female, ELL	Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	
Hispanic/Latino, Female, Free/Reduced Lunch	Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	
Hispanic/Latino, Female, N	Met Growth Expectation		Not Met Growth Expectation				
Hispanic/Latino, Female, Virtual	Met Proficiency				Met Growth Expectation		
Hispanic/Latino, Male, CLEP	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	
☐ Other	Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	
Total	2	3	3	2	2	3	

Subgroups by Race, Gender Program 6-12

□ Race, Program, Gender		Level								
← Nace, Program, Gender	2024-25 Gr 6 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 12 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 9 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 7 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth	2024-25 Gr 8 ELA ACCESS for ELLs Growth					
Asian, CLEP, Female					Not Met Growth Expectation					
Asian, CLEP, Male		Not Met Growth Expectation								
Asian, ELL, Female					Not Met Growth Expectation					
Asian, ELL, Male		Not Met Growth Expectation								
Hispanic/Latino, 5 Years Enrolled, Female		Met Proficiency								
Hispanic/Latino, 5 Years Enrolled, Male				Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hispanic/Latino, CLEP, Female	Not Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	First Year Baseline	Not Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline					
Hispanic/Latino, CLEP, Male	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation					
Hispanic/Latino, ELL, Female	Not Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline	First Year Baseline	Not Met Growth Expectation	First Year Baseline					
Hispanic/Latino, ELL, Male	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation					
Hispanic/Latino, F, Female		Met Proficiency								
Hispanic/Latino, Free/Reduced Lunch, Female	Not Met Growth Expectation	Met Proficiency	First Year Baseline		First Year Baseline					
Hispanic/Latino, Free/Reduced Lunch, Male	Not Met Growth Expectation		Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation					
Hispanic/Latino, GenEd, Female		Met Proficiency			Not Met Growth Expectation					
Hispanic/Latino, GenEd, Male				Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hispanic/Latino, N, Male				Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hispanic/Latino, Not Virtual, Male				Not Met Growth Expectation						
Hispanic/Latino, Special Ed, Female	Not Met Growth Expectation				Not Met Growth Expectation					
Hispanic/Latino, Special Ed, Male				Not Met Growth Expectation	Not Met Growth Expectation					
Hispanic/Latino, Virtual, Female		Met Proficiency								
Other					Not Met Growth Expectation					
Total	3	2	4	3	3					

Intervention Strategies

- •Parent and Community Engagement:
 - Continue ESL Parent Advisory Committee
 - Encourage parents to become involved in their children's education.
 - Provide resources and information to parents to help support their children's learning at home. New feature in Talking Points.
- •Extended Learning Opportunities:
 - Offer extended learning opportunities such as after-school programs, tutoring, summer school, and enrichment activities.
 - These programs can provide additional instruction and support to students who need it.
- •Training:
 - Continue 15 hours of Sheltered Instruction for staff who are not trained
 - Yearly conference for our ELL teachers.

Targeted Interventions by Grade Band

- **K–3**: Build on strengths by reinforcing phonics, oral language, and early literacy connections.
- 4–8: Focus on vocabulary, grammar in context, and reading comprehension strategies.
- 9–12: Provide **newcomer supports** (sheltered instruction, bilingual resources) and **long-term EL interventions** for students stuck at lower levels.



QUESTIONS?





