



### EL Program Goal

The English Learner (EL) Program supports students with limited English proficiency with instruction focused on the development of academic English.

### MANSD English Learners

There are **1,660** active ELs enrolled in MANSD.

ELs represent **12%** of the district's student population.

**23%** of students in the district indicate a language other than English is spoken at home.

Of these:

- 20% have been enrolled less than one year
- 50% are long-term ELs (enrolled in program more than 5 years)
- 24% are dually identified within Special Education
- 6% are students with limited or interrupted formal education (SLIFE).

### EL Staffing

EL Department Staff Includes:

- 50 Full-Time EL Certified Teachers
- 1 Full-time EL Director
- 13 Full-time EL Paraprofessionals
- 5 Bilingual Liaisons (federally funded)

### MSD Strategic Goal Alignment for EL Program

In 2015, the Board of School Committee approved the Manchester School District Strategic Plan. The plan is focused on program improvement and promoting equity. The implementation priorities for the EL program include:

1. Implement the Manchester Academic Standards and align/revise/develop curriculum to the standards.
2. Enhance instructional practices of teachers to meet the varied learning styles of all students.
3. Maintain and develop high expectations for all students based on data.
4. Provide professional development opportunities that align with vision of the district.
5. Formalize and make consistent the curriculum, instruction and protocols throughout the district to ensure equal access to all students.
6. Create alternative learning programs.

### EL Enrollment by School

School	# of ELs	Total Enrollment	School-wide % of ELs
<b>Elementary</b>			
Bakersville	105	308	34%
Beech	183	586	31%
Gossler	30	446	7%
Green Acres	22	500	4%
Hallsville	31	303	10%
Highland	51	427	12%
Jewett	37	331	11%
McDonough	52	572	9%
Northwest	117	673	17%
Parker-Varney	44	453	10%
Smyth	20	379	5%
Webster	67	491	14%
Weston	69	476	14%
Wilson	133	455	28%
<b>Middle Schools</b>			
Hillside	84	804	10%
McLaughlin	90	754	12%
Parkside	39	618	6%
Southside	53	782	7%
<b>High Schools</b>			
Central	195	1546	13%
Memorial	104	1523	7%
Manchester School of Technology	11	330	3%
West	81	834	10%

## Culture and Language

Our English Learners represent **76** different countries and bring with them the multilingual assets of **62** different macro languages.

The top 10 languages spoken are:

1. Spanish	6. Bosnian
2. Arabic	7. Swahili
3. Nepali	8. French
4. Vietnamese	9. Urdu
5. Maay-Maay	10. Somali

80% of English learners speak one of the top three languages.

Our Newcomers (students who have arrived during the last year) come to us from the following countries:

1. United States	6. Nepal
2. Dominican Republic	7. Pakistan
3. Puerto Rico	8. Iraq
4. Congo	9. El Salvador
5. Kenya	10. Honduras

## Seal of Multiliteracy

The Multiliteracy Awards were established with Board approval in 2016 to offer special recognition to students who demonstrate proficiency in English and at least one other language. The awards were created to acknowledge the rich cultural and linguistic assets of our students.

In 2016, **33** graduating seniors earned the Seal of Multiliteracy. Students who earned this award were recognized with diploma seal, an honors cord and an official transcript notation.



## EL Programming

The EL Department offers programs and support services for ELs and their families.

English Language Development Programs: Provide a program of support to accelerate development of academic English. MANSD has magnet programs at the elementary and high school level to provide intensive language and literacy support for newcomers, as well as programs for students with intermediate and advanced levels of English.

Language Assistance & Family Support: A talented team of multilingual multicultural liaisons provide outreach and services for EL students and their families through translation and interpretation and a range of parent information and engagement efforts.

EL Summer Program: Intensive summer school program for English learners. The goal of the program is to ensure students continue to maintain and develop English throughout the summer break. The summer program is also focused on cultural orientation with a local field trip every week.

Professional Development: Ongoing professional development opportunities sponsored and/or facilitated by faculty from the EL Department. In addition, access to PD lending library with broad range of texts and videos to promote best practice for working with ELs.

## EL Performance Indicators

Graduation Rates of ELs: 2015-2016	
Graduated in 4 years	52%
Dropped out	11%
Progress Toward Developing English: 2014-15	
% of ELs making annual progress	74%
% of ELs testing proficient	16%
Discipline: 2015-16	
ELs assigned out-of-school suspension	11%

For More Information about the EL Department, please visit our website: [www.englishlearners.mansd.org](http://www.englishlearners.mansd.org)

Or contact program director, Wendy Perron:  
email: [wperron@mansd.org](mailto:wperron@mansd.org)  
phone: (603) 624-6300 ext.170