

Bound Brook Public Schools
Office of Bilingual/ESL/World Languages

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ENTRANCE NOTIFICATION LETTER

BILINGUAL/ESL PROGRAM

_____ **Initial Placement** _____ **Continuing Placement**

Name of Student: _____ Date: _____

School: _____

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian,

The Bound Brook School District is committed to providing instructional and enrichment programs that will meet the needs of students in our schools. In accordance with the educational goals of this district, we have developed a total program of academic instruction that addresses the special language needs of our students.

Based on your child's English proficiency test scores, level of academic achievement, and teacher recommendation, we are pleased to inform you that your child will receive instruction in our district's Bilingual/ESL program. The goal of the district's Bilingual/ESL program is to help your child learn English and meet age-appropriate academic standards. Although you may request to have your child removed from the Bilingual/ESL program, students normally participate for a period of 3-5 years. Multiple criteria are used in making determinations regarding when a student no longer needs program services.

These criteria include:

1. Test scores on the state approved ACCESS for ELLs.
2. Test scores on NJASK 3-8 or HSPA.
3. Level of academic achievement.
4. Teacher(s) recommendations.

If your child has an Individualized Education Program (IEP), improvement in his/her ability to speak, read, and write in English will help meet the objectives of their IEP.

Your child's level of English was measured using the following test:

ACCESS for ELLs

Level of English Proficiency: _____

The method of instruction used in your child's language assistance program is:

English as a Second Language (ESL) _____

Bilingual Education:

Part-time _____

Full-time _____

Program Description:

Bound Brook is a K-12 district, which is made up of one elementary school, one middle school, and one high school. At the elementary level, Bound Brook provides Full-time Bilingual Education for kindergarten and first grade while using a Pull-Out ESL delivery model. In grades 2-8 a High-Intensity ESL approach is used while a few of our teachers begin training in Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP)-based strategies for instruction to make content accessible to English Language Learners. Part-time Bilingual Education is offered at the high school along with High-Intensity ESL. Currently the Bilingual/ESL program services approximately 130 students from a variety of countries.

By law, you may request a different educational program for your child. If you decide to choose a different academic program or in order to request additional information regarding available services, please feel free to contact the Office of Bilingual/ESL/World Languages at 732-356-2500 ext. 3506 or email at tjacome@bbrook.org.

An appointment will be scheduled to discuss your child's educational placement.

Respectfully,

Tarkyno Jácome
District Coordinator

