


English Learner Advisory Committee Meeting 8/27/25

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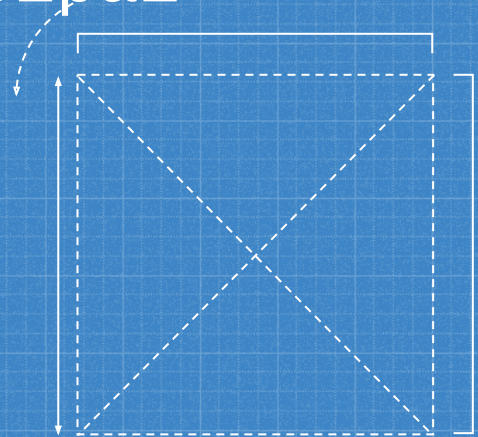
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Introductions

Cale Kavanaugh PHS EL Coordinator

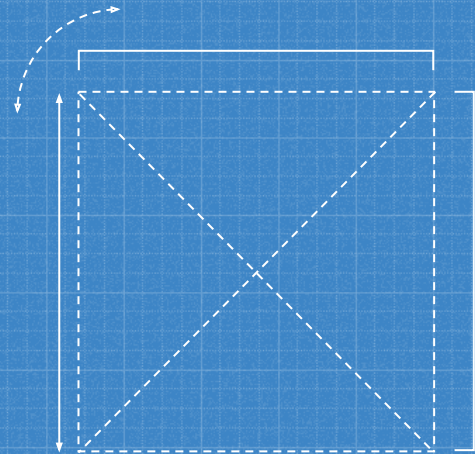
Steve Chai Assistant Principal
Overseeing EL Department

Our goal is to ensure
that our EL Students
belong, contribute and
thrive



Review of Agenda

- Define ELAC
- Define DELAC
- Overview of EL Programs at Portola High School
- Nominations for Committee Officers
- Counselor Presentation
- Review Needs Assessment Results
- Future Meeting Dates






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What is an English Learner Student?



A student who speaks a language at home that is not English and through state language testing demonstrates that they require English support





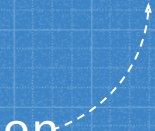
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What is the ELAC?



English Learner Advisory Committee

Committee Formed for parents/guardians of English learners to advise the school staff on programs and services for English Learners



The ELAC Advises the Principal on the following:

- English Learner Achievement at PHS

- GPA's of English Learners
- ELPAC Scores (Annual State Language Assessment)

- English Language Development (ELD)

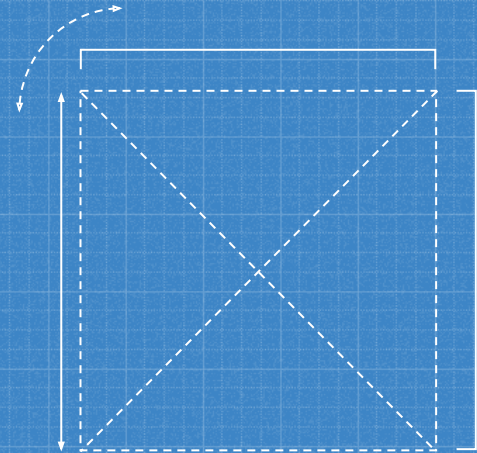
Instruction

- Ensure that our ELD Classes are meeting the needs of our EL Students

- Enrichment and Intervention

- Advocate for funds and resource allocation to programs that promote the success of our EL Students

ELAC also assist with the school's efforts to make parents aware of the importance of regular school attendance



PHS Classes to Support English Learners

- **ELD Skills 1 ELD Skills 2 ELD Skills 3**
 - EL Students receive Direct English Language instruction
 - Test Prep Class for the ELPAC
- **Intro English, History Courses**
 - EL Students receive English and History curriculum specifically designed for English Learners (History not currently A-G Approved)
- **Sheltered English, History, Science Courses**
 - EL Students are placed in classes alongside native English speakers with an instructional assistant who supports EL students

EL Level 1 Student

ELD 1 or 2

Receiving Direct English Language instruction

Test Prep Class for the ELPAC

AND

Intro History, English

Little or no experience in an English speaking classroom

OR

Class comprised on English learners studying English or history with an instructional assistant

Cluster, English, History, Science

Some experience in English speaking classroom

Student works with native English speakers and instructional assistant

EL Level 2 Student

ELD 2

Receiving Direct English Language instruction
Test Prep Class for the ELPAC

AND

Cluster, English, History, Science

Some experience in English
speaking classroom

Student works with native English
speakers and instructional
assistant

EL Level 3/4 Student

Typically enrolled in standard classes and teacher provide language supports in classes as needed on a student by student basis

Students must earn a 4 on the ELPAC and demonstrate another measure of English proficiency to be reclassified



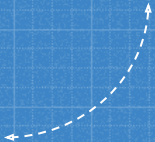
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What is the DELAC?



District English Learner Advisory Committee

Committee Formed for parents/guardians of English learners to advise Irvine Unified School District on programs and services for English Learners



DELAC Representative

- A parent of an English Learner
 - Every school in the district must have at least one representative
- Responsibilities:
 - Attend DELAC Meetings on Zoom
 - October 8th 4:00-5:30pm
 - January 14th 4:00-5:30pm
 - March 4th 4:00-5:30pm
 - May 6th 4:00-5:30pm
 - Provide input about Portola's needs to the district

ELAC Cabinet Members:(If you are interested in filling one of these positions please email CaleKavanaugh@iusd.org)

President

Help Conduct Meetings and sign all letters and reports necessary

Vice President

Help in case President is absent



DELAC

Representative

Attend DELAC Meetings

Secretary

Help with note taking during meetings

Needs Assessment

2023-2024

45% making
progress on ELPAC
14.6% declining

2024-2025

49% making
progress on ELPAC
5% declining

This Year's Goal

55% making
progress on ELPAC

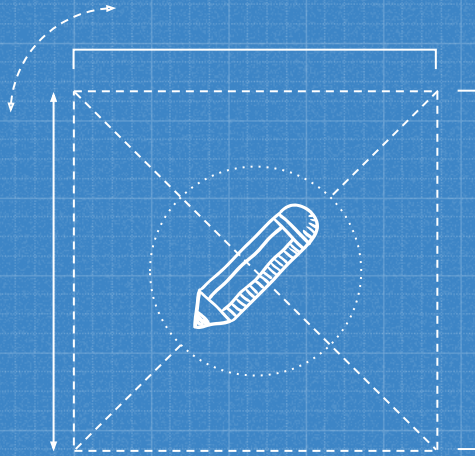
To Achieve This Goal:

- **Adding ELD 3 and Lit Skills**
- **School Wide Professional Development Focus for teachers to support EL students**

Counseling Presentation

Future Meetings

- Meeting 2: 11/20/2025 6:00-7:00 pm
 - Review Resources for Families
- Meeting 3: 2/24/2026 6:00-7:00 pm
 - Discuss ELPAC Testing and Course Selection
- Meeting 3: 5/8/25 6:00-7:00 pm
 - ELPAC Data and Plan to School Site Council



Questions?

Please email me if you have any questions

My email is CaleKavanaugh@iusd.org