

English Learner Growth Data

The ND school dashboard Insights provides the following EL data for schools and districts.

North Dakota's Department of Public Instruction has established guidelines to help districts and schools improve educational outcomes for English learners. English language proficiency (ELP) growth data represent the following performance indicators for English learners in North Dakota's K-12 public schools.

EL Growth: English language proficiency growth shows the percentage of EL students who have met their established annual ELP growth target for reading, writing, listening, and speaking English. The student results are based on student progress over two years on the North Dakota English Language Proficiency Assessment (ACCESS for ELLs®).

EL Exit Rate: North Dakota strives to help ELs attain English language proficiency within six years of their EL identification. A chart in the dashboard shows the percentage of ELs who met the criteria to exit the program in a given year.

Students start on the growth trajectory at the composite proficiency level (PL) of their first annual English Language Proficiency (ELP) assessment in North Dakota (currently ACCESS for ELLs). This is considered year 0 or base score. Year one growth is determined after the second annual ELP assessment. The students' trajectories will be constructed from the starting point proficiency level to the 5.0 target proficiency level over a period of years according to the table below.

Level Years to Attain PL (Exit)

1.0-1.9 = 6 years

2.0-2.9 = 5 years

3.0-3.9 = 4 years

4.0-4.9 = 3 years

5.0-5.9 = 2 years

English Learner students in North Dakota will need to annually increase their composite language proficiency level of the annual ELP assessment and remain at or above their established goals. English Learner students in North Dakota will attain English proficiency (exit the program) by receiving a 3.5 proficiency level in each domain of listening, speaking, reading, and writing and a 5.0 composite proficiency level.

To protect student privacy, data for schools who have less than 10 students will not be displayed.

In some cases, when appropriate for the purpose of transparency, information involving 10 or more students may be displayed in ranges to avoid potential identification of students in small demographic populations. When utilized, ranges may be represented visually with diagonal lines or open circles in lightly shaded colors.

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