

## ESL Program Focus

The Westerville ESL program and services are consistent with the Ohio Department of Education Standards and the Office Civil Rights and congruent with the policies of the Westerville Board of Education.

Westerville City Schools' English as a Second Language (ESL) program focuses on:

- The resources and services to best support high academic achievement for ESL students,
- Leadership to ensure that all staff provide appropriate support for ESL children,
- Professional development to ensure that all teachers have the instructional tools to meet the needs of ESL students.
- Scientific-based researched instruction strategies so that ESL students receive effective instruction and timely acquisition of English proficiency.



### Vision

Our vision is to be the benchmark of educational excellence.

### Mission

Our mission is to prepare students to contribute to the competitive and changing world in which we live.

### Values

Driven by a vision to be the benchmark of educational excellence, the Westerville School District strives daily to exemplify the following organizational values:

Respect, Inclusiveness, Community,  
Communication, Collaboration, Innovation,  
Nurturing, Trust, Accountability

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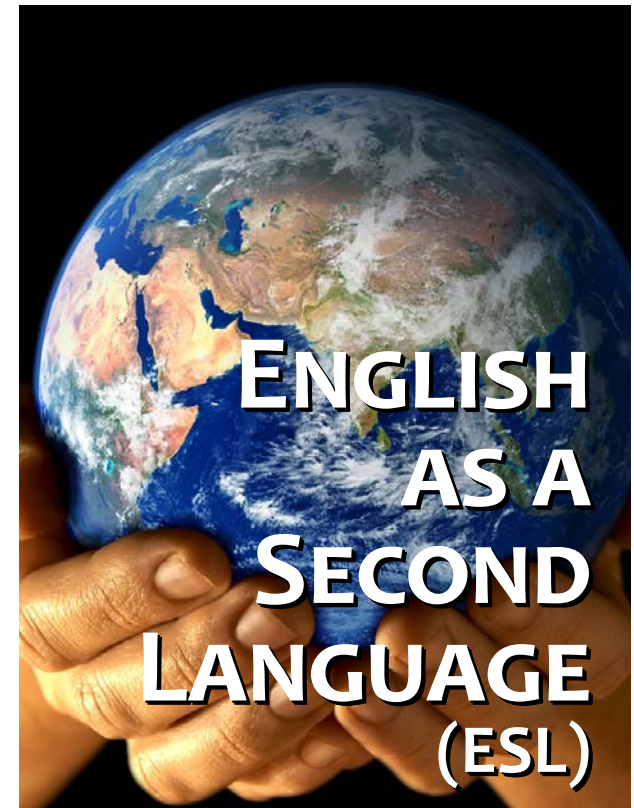
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### English as a Second Language Office

Early Learning Center  
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(614) 797-5883

Lucy Rader-Brown, ESL Coordinator

## Identification Process

**Before children can be identified as needing ESL services, they must first be enrolled in the Westerville City School District.**

All students new to the Westerville City School District register at the district's **Enrollment and Family Resource Center**, located at the OhioHealth Westerville Medical Campus.

### Enrollment and Family Resource Center

300 Polaris Parkway  
Suite 3200  
Westerville, OH 43082

Front Desk/receptionist: (614) 797-7700

### Identification

A home-language survey is used to determine if a child qualifies for ESL screening.

- ◆ Based on screening results a child may qualify for ESL services.

If parent(s)/guardian(s) agrees to the suggested services then the placement of the child will be based on those services .

**or**

If parent(s)/guardian(s) do not agree to suggested service then the child will be placed in a school building based on:

- Attendance boundaries and
- Education grade level

- ◆ If a child does not qualify for ESL services the child will be placed in a school building based on:

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- Education grade level.

## ESL Services

Based on screening results a child may qualify for ESL services.

### Instructional Support

ESL students receive services based on identified needs . Services focus on reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

#### ESL Tutoring

- Individual or in small groups.
- Available at all buildings.
- Benefits students who have good English skills.

#### ESL Unit

- Individual or in small groups with ESL qualified educator.
- Meets everyday.
- Benefits students with limited English skills.

### Non-instructional Support

#### ESL Parent Liaisons

Somali: Lula Abdulle Mohamed  
Phone: (614) 797-7120 / Fax: (614) 797-7101

Spanish: Marlene Torrez-Graham  
Phone: (614) 797-7709 / Fax: (614) 797-7701

Reaching out to:

- Assist at Enrollment and Family Resource Center;
- Advocate for ESL students;
- Promote parent involvement in school events;
- Help teachers and parents foster good study skills;
- Educate ESL parents about rights and responsibilities in U.S. schools;
- Encourage parent involvement in students' education;
- Familiarize ESL parents about U.S. homelife, social services, and the educational, legal, and health systems; and
- Highlight cultural differences and clarify misunderstanding between cultures.

## Exit Process

Students are exited from ESL based on English language proficiency which is mandated by law.

## ESL Office Staff

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