



January 7, 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child is required to take the ACCESS for ELLs™, a standards-based, criterion referenced English language proficiency test designed to measure English language learners' social and academic proficiency in English.

The State approved ACCESS for ELLs English Language Proficiency test is required to be administered to all K-12 English language learners annually for English proficiency growth.

The test has four components: Speaking, Reading, Writing and Listening. The ACCESS will be administered throughout the district January 16<sup>th</sup> – February 19, 2019. You can help your child to do his best on the days of testing by:

- 1) Making sure, if possible, that your child attends school on the days of testing
- 2) Making sure your child gets a good night's sleep the night before testing
- 3) Remind your child to ask the teacher questions if he/she does not understand the test directions
- 4) Advise your child not to worry about the test-just do the best he/she can

Please call your child's teacher if you want additional information or have further questions about these tests.

Sincerely yours,

Amber Bowgren  
Bilingual and Dual Language Coordinator