

Cumberland Elementary School
English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)
September 20, 2023 at 8:15am

Agenda Item	Notes
Welcome and Introductions	Introductions and greetings were exchanged. Parents shared their home languages and information about their students.
Purpose of ELAC	We discussed the purpose and goals of our English Learner Advisory CommitteeELAC
Overview of how English Learners are identified	Ms. Jacobson reviewed how students are identified and gave an overview of how we support them through ELD and reclassification. We will cover the reclassification process in more depth at a future meeting.
Overview of our District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)	Ms. Jacobson explained the DELAC role and how it complements the work of our ELAC group. Mr. Moutarde shared his experiences as the DELAC representative last year and he answered additional questions from parents. 2 Cumberland representatives were elected at the meeting: Paul Kim and Eric Moutarde.
English Language Development (ELD) at Cumberland	Mrs. Jacobson shared information on ELD giving families a peek into the classrooms through photographs, responding to questions and addressing concerns.
How to support your English Learner at home	Ms. Jacobson reviewed suggestions for supporting ELs at home, specifically partnering with teachers through the conferences and beyond.
Questions? Concerns? Ideas?	Parents asked additional questions about how language and cultural norms are taught. Ms. Jacobson and other parents responded sharing some specific examples. We also discussed the upcoming Walkathon.
Looking forward	Our next meeting will feature an opportunity to hear from Mrs. Gronovious (our para educator who directly supports newcomers in grades 1-5), and more about the reclassification process and English Language Development at Cumberland.

Attended by: Yoon Jung Huh, Eric Moutarde, Dror Marcus, Hadas Marcus, Ben XR Chen, Tatiana Kataeva, Netanel Haim, Capucine Romefort, Nien-Jung Wu, Paul Kim, Laura Losa, Lindsay Jacobson (Assistant Principal)