

HOME LANGUAGE SURVEY

Note to Parents/Legal Guardians:

We value a student's ability to speak a language other than English and we encourage him/her to maintain these language skills. However, if a student has difficulty understanding, speaking, reading, or writing the English language, it is our responsibility to improve the academic support needed to improve his/her English skills. Therefore, all students enrolled in our school district must have their parent(s) or guardian(s) complete and sign this form. The identification of language and academic needs is important, because it becomes the basis for the development of an appropriate instructional program. Your cooperation in helping us meet the requirement is appreciated. Thank you!

Please complete:

Student's Name:				Grade:			
School:				Prior School (State/County)			
Your relationship to student:							
Mother	Father	Legal Guardian	Other (Specify)				

According to California Education Code (Ed. Code 52164.1[a]) the following four questions will be used to determine the language(s) spoken at home by each student.

Directions: Please check a response for each of the following questions and indicate other languages if applicable.

	English	Spanish	Other Languages(s)
1. What language did your child learn when he/she first began to speak?			
2. What language does your child most frequently use at home?			
3. What language do you use most frequently to speak to your child?			
4. What language do the adults at home most often speak?			
Optional Questions: The following supplemental questions will be used to assist students.	staff in su	upporting	the instructional needs of
	Yes	No	Language(s)
5. Does your child understand a language other than English?			
6. Does your child speak a language other than English?			
7. Can your child read or write in a language other than English?			
8. Can an adult family member or extended family member in the home speak a language other than English?			
9. Can an adult family member or extended family member in the home read a language other than English?			

California Education Code (Ed. Code 52164.1[a]) requires schools to determine the language(s) spoken at home by each student. A language proficiency assessment is required if student's home language is other than English. This information is essential in order for schools to provide meaningful instruction for all students. According to federal and state laws, students who are not proficient enough to be in a mainstream all-English program must receive specialized language instruction. The goal of this instruction is to help students learn the English language skills they need to succeed socially and academically in a mainstream classroom.

Date

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