

# ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM AND RECRUITING ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021

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## ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM PEIMS CODES

Alternative Language Program PEIMS Codes can only be utilized if an LEA has submitted a bilingual education exception and/or an ESL waiver and must be used in combination with the appropriate Parent Permission Codes as described below. The [Code Guide](#) for Bilingual and ESL Program Association provides further details on how to appropriately use these codes for participating students.

- If the parent of an English learner approves placement of the student in the bilingual education program but the LEA is under a **bilingual education exception**, the student's Parental Permission Code is E, the Alternative Language Program Code is 01, and the Bilingual Education and ESL Program Codes are 0.
- If the parent of an English learner approves placement of the student in the ESL program but the LEA is under an **ESL waiver**, the student's Parental Permission Code is J, the Alternative Language Program Code is 02, and the Bilingual and ESL Program Codes are 0.

## SECTION 1.

*Complete this section if applying for a Bilingual Education Exception.*

## BILINGUAL EDUCATION EXCEPTION - ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

### What is an Alternative Language Program?

When a Local Education Agency (LEA) does not have the appropriately certified teachers to fulfill the requirements of the LEA's required bilingual education program [TAC 89.1205(a); 89.1210(c)], the LEA must provide an alternative language program as described in the LEA's bilingual education exception application documentation. The alternative language program to a bilingual education program may consist of one or more of the following:

- **ESL Content Based Program Model [TAC 89.1210(d)(1)]** – English learners receive all of their content instruction in English language arts and reading (ELAR), mathematics, science, and social studies by teachers who hold a valid classroom teaching certification appropriate for grade level and subject area as well as an ESL certificate.
- **ESL Pull-Out Program Model [TAC 89.1210(d)(2)]** – English learners receive their English language arts and reading (ELAR) instruction by a teacher(s) who hold(s) a valid classroom teaching certificate appropriate for grade level and English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR) as well as an ESL certificate.
- **Content-Based Sheltered Instruction** – English learners receive all of their content instruction in English language arts and reading (ELAR), mathematics, science, and social studies by a teacher(s) who is/are sheltered instruction trained.
- **Sheltered English** – English learners receive their English language arts and reading (ELAR) instruction by a teacher(s) who is/are sheltered instruction trained.
- **Other** – In addition to one or more of the above program features, English learners receive additional primary language support from other educators, including paraprofessionals.

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## ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Based on one or more of the program features described above, provide a brief description on how the proposed alternative language program to the **bilingual education program** will meet the affective, linguistic, and cognitive needs of English learners. Be sure to describe how the program may differ across campuses or grade levels.

### SECTION 2.

Complete this section if applying for an English as a Second Language (ESL) Waiver.

## ESL WAIVER - ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

### What is an Alternative Language Program?

When a Local Education Agency (LEA) does not have the appropriately certified teachers to fulfill the requirements of the LEA's required English as a second language (ESL) program [TAC 89.1205(c); 89.1210(d)], the LEA must provide an alternative language program as described in the LEA's ESL waiver application documentation. The alternative language program to an ESL program may consist of one or more of the following:

- **Content-Based Sheltered Instruction** – English learners receive all of their content instruction in English language arts and reading (ELAR), mathematics, science, and social studies by a teacher(s) who is/are sheltered instruction trained.
- **Sheltered English** – English learners receive their English language arts and reading (ELAR) instruction by a teacher(s) who is/are sheltered instruction trained.
- **Other** – In addition to one or more of the above program features, English learners receive additional English language development (ELD) support from other educators, including paraprofessionals.

## ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Based on one or more of the program features described above, provide a brief description on how the proposed alternative language program to the **ESL program** will meet the affective, linguistic, and cognitive needs of English learners. Be sure to describe how the program may differ across campuses or grade levels.

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**SECTION 3.**

*Complete this section if applying for a Bilingual Education Exception, English as a Second Language (ESL) Waiver, or both.*

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**TARGETED RECRUITING ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021 – NARRATIVE RESPONSE**

**Provide a brief description** of recruiting activities that target linguistically and culturally diverse teachers prepared to serve the needs of the state’s English learners. Include dates and locations, if possible.

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**SECTION 4.**

*Comply with the following reporting requirements by maintaining supporting documentation as described in this section when applying for a Bilingual Education Exception, English as a Second Language (ESL) Waiver, or both.*

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**PROGRAM EVALUATION**

**Include the following** in the annual LEA report on educational performance of the bilingual and/or ESL program, as described in TAC 89.1265(c).

- the number of teachers for whom an exception or waiver was/is being filed;
- the number of teachers for whom an exception or waiver was filed in the previous year who successfully obtained certification; and
- the frequency and scope of a [comprehensive professional development plan](#), implemented as required under TAC 89.1207, and results of such plan if an exception and/or waiver was filed in the previous school year.