

# **K-12 ESOL Program for Broward County Public Schools**

## **WHAT'S NEW FOR 2008-2009?**

- 🍏 The Multicultural & ESOL Program Services Education Dept. has developed a K-12 ESOL Program Plan at the request of the Area Superintendents.
- 🍏 This plan is very specific and sets forth the guidelines for scheduling, instruction, and assessment of English Language Learners (ELLs).
- 🍏 The plan encourages the use of research-based practices that provide ELLs with rigorous and relevant instruction proven to close the achievement gap between ELLs and non-ELLs.

## **WHAT YOU NEED TO DO?**

- 🍏 Ensure that Leadership Team and Instructional Staff are knowledgeable of the K-12 ESOL Program Plan and its implementation guidelines.
- 🍏 Follow the guidelines set in the plan for scheduling, instruction, and assessment of ELLs.
- 🍏 Ensure that highly-qualified teachers with appropriate certification/endorsement are assigned to instruct ELLs.
- 🍏 Ensure that the instructional materials in the plan have been distributed and are being used for instruction of ELLs.
- 🍏 Ensure that staff participate in appropriate professional development.

## **WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T?**

- 🍏 Schools will be compromising the academic achievement of ELLs and, as a result, the attainment of the Adequate Yearly Progress target for the ELL subgroup.

## **WHO NEEDS TO KNOW?**

- 🍏 Area Offices
- 🍏 K-12 Administrators
- 🍏 K-12 Instructional Staff
- 🍏 Parents of ELLs
- 🍏 District Departments

## **HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE FOLLOW-UP?**

- 🍏 The Multicultural & ESOL Program Services Education Department will conduct school visits and, when requested, Onsite Analysis of the school's ESOL program.
- 🍏 Communication will be via ESOL Contacts, meetings, CAB conference, and department website.
- 🍏 The K-12 ESOL Program Plan has been posted on the Multicultural & ESOL Program Services Education Department website.

## **CONTACT**

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