

**Literacy Performance Expectations
Grades 6-12**

PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS FOR ALL STUDENTS

Assessment	Grade Level	Above/At/Close to Expectations	Below Expectations	Far Below Expectations
Degrees of Reading Power (DRP)	4	44 and above	38-43	37 and below
	5	50 and above	44-49	43 and below
	6	54 and above	48-53	47 and below
	7	57 and above	50-56	49 and below
	8	61 and above	54-60	53 and below
Analytical Reading Inventory (ARI) OR Informal Reading Inventory (IRI)		Grade level or above	1 – 2 levels below grade level	3 or more levels below grade level

RETENTION GUIDELINES*

GRADES 6/7

*Grade 6 at Middle Schools or Grade 7 at Junior High Schools
is the designated retention grade at the middle level.*

- *Fluent English students and English Learners enrolled five years or more who are performing **Far Below Expectations** on the Literacy assessments (DRP and ARI) at the end of the school year **may** be retained.*
- *English Learners enrolled three to four years **may** be retained if they:*
 - *Scored **Far Below Expectations** on the Literacy assessments (DRP and ARI); AND*
 - *Had a CELDT Reading Proficiency Level of Beginning or Early Intermediate on the fall annual assessment.*
- *English Learners enrolled less than three years should not be retained.*

OTHER GRADE LEVELS

*Students may be retained at any grade if they are performing **Far Below Expectations** on the Literacy/English Language Development assessments (see above) and they have not participated in recommended interventions.*

Retention is strongly discouraged at grade levels other than the designated retention grade level.

* After careful review of the retention guidelines and consideration of the student's overall literacy performance, the classroom teacher(s) makes final Promotion/Retention decision following consultation with principal and parent/guardian.

Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-10

Fluent English Proficient Students

		Grade Level	Above/At/Close to Expectations	Below Expectations	Far Below Expectations
MIDDLE SCHOOLS	Grade 6 Placement for Exiting Gr. 5		English 6 th /Literacy 6 th (2 periods) 1550, 1550S, 1550C, 1550G	English 6 th /Literacy 6 th Block (2 Periods) 1542, 1542G	
	Grade 7 Placement (or Grade 6 placement, if retained) for Exiting Gr. 6		English 7 th (1 period) 1501, 1501S, 1501C, 1501G OR English 7 th /Literacy 7 th (2 Periods) 1551, 1551S, 1551C, 1551G	English 7 th /Literacy 7 th Block (2 Periods) 1543, 1543G OR English 7 th (1 period) 1501, 1501S, 1501C, 1501G (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support	<i>RETAINED in Grade 6</i> English 6 th /Literacy 6 th Block (2 Periods) 1542, 1542G
	Grade 8 Placement for Exiting Gr. 7		English 8 th (1 Period) 1520, 1520S, 1520C, 1520G OR English 8 th /Literacy 8 th (2 Periods) 1559, 1559S, 1559C, 1559G	English 8 th /Literacy 8 th Block (2 Periods) 1544, 1544G OR English 8 th (1 Period) 1520, 1520S, 1520C, 1520G (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support	
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS	Grade 7 Placement for Exiting Gr. 6		English 7 th (1 period) 1501, 1501S, 1501C, 1501G OR English 7 th /Literacy 7 th (2 Periods) 1551, 1551S, 1551C, 1551G	English 7 th /Literacy 7 th Block (2 Periods) 1543, 1543G OR English 7 th (1 period) 1501, 1501S, 1501C, 1501G (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support	

NOTE: Students who are Far Below or Below Expectations will be combined in one class.

Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-12

Fluent English Proficient Students

	Grade Level	Above/At/Close to Expectations	Below Expectations	Far Below Expectations
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS	Grade 8 Placement (or Grade 7 Placement, if retained) for Exiting Gr. 7	<p>English 8th (1 Period) 1520, 1520S, 1520C, 1520G</p> <p>OR</p> <p>English 8th/Literacy 8th (2 Periods) 1559, 1559S, 1559C, 1559G</p>	<p>English 8th/Literacy 8th Block (2 Periods) 1544, 1544G</p> <p>OR</p> <p>English 8th (1 Period) 1520, 1520S, 1520C, 1520G (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students)</p> <p>PLUS</p> <p>1 additional period literacy support</p>	<p><i>RETAINED In Grade 7</i> English 7th/Literacy 7th Block (2 Periods) 1543, 1543G</p>
	Grade 9 Placement for Exiting Gr. 8	<p>English 1 (1 Period) 1540, 1540S, 1540C, 1540G</p>	<p>English 1 Block (2 Periods) 1552, 1552G</p> <p>OR</p> <p>English 1 (1 Period) 1540, 1540S, 1540C, 1540G (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students)</p> <p>PLUS</p> <p>1 additional period literacy support</p>	
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS	Grade 10 Placement for Exiting Gr. 9	<p>English 3 (1 Period) 1570, 1570S, 1570C, 1570G</p>	<p>English 3 Block (2 Periods) 1554, 1554G</p> <p>OR</p> <p>English 3 (1 Period) 1570, 1570S, 1570C, 1570G (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students)</p> <p>PLUS</p> <p>1 additional period literacy support</p>	
	Grade 11 Placement for Exiting Gr. 10		<p>American Literature 1 Block (2 Periods) 1615, 1615G</p> <p>OR</p> <p>American Literature 1 (1 Period) 1583, 1583G</p>	

NOTE: Students who are Far Below or Below Expectations will be combined in one class.

Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-12

English Learners at the Advanced, Early Advanced or Intermediate (CELDT \geq 508) Levels of Fluency

Grade Level	Above/At/Close to Expectations (Consider Reclassification)	Below Expectations	Far Below Expectations
MIDDLE SCHOOLS	Grade 6 Placement for Exiting Gr. 5	ELD English 6 th /Literacy 6 th (2 Periods) 1550L	ELD English 6 th /Literacy 6 th Block (2 Periods) 1542L
	Grade 7 Placement (or Grade 6 Placement, if retained) for Exiting Gr. 6	ELD English 7 th (1 Period) 1501L OR English 7 th /Literacy 7 th (2 Periods) 1551L	ELD English 7 th /Literacy 7 th Block (2 Periods) 1543L OR ELD English 7 th (1 period) 1501L (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support <div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"><i>RETAINED In Grade 6</i> ELD English 6th/Literacy 6th Block (2 Periods) 1542L</div>
	Grade 8 Placement for Exiting Gr. 7	ELD English 8 th (1 Period) 1520L OR ELD English 8 th /Literacy 8 th (2 Periods) 1559L	ELD English 8 th /Literacy 8 th Block (2 Periods) 1544L OR ELD English 8 th (1 Period) 1520L (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support

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Placement decisions for English Learners must first start with an understanding of the current proficiency level of each student.

- Students at the Beginning, Early Intermediate, and lower range of Intermediate (OPL 488-507) levels of English proficiency are determined to possess *less than reasonable fluency* in English. These students should follow the **ESL** course sequence.
- Students whose CELDT test date is on or before April 30th of the current calendar year and whose OPL is Intermediate or above should follow the ELD course sequence.
- Students at the high range of Intermediate (OPL 508-528), Early Advanced, and Advanced proficiency levels are determined to possess *reasonable fluency* in English and should follow the **ELD** course sequence.

Students with *reasonable fluency* in English also have the option of enrolling in a one-period ELD course plus an additional period of literacy support.

Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-12

English Learners at the Advanced, Early Advanced or Intermediate (CELDT \geq 508) Levels of Fluency

Grade Level	Above/At/Close to Expectations (Consider Reclassification)	Below Expectations	Far Below Expectations
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS	Grade 7 Placement for Exiting Gr. 6	ELD English 7 th /Literacy 7 th (2 Periods) 1551L	ELD English 7 th /Literacy 7 th Block (2 Periods) 1543L
	Grade 8 Placement (or Grade 7 Placement, if retained) for Exiting Gr. 7	ELD English 8 th (1 Period) 1520L OR ELD English 8 th /Literacy 8 th (2 Periods) 1559L	ELD English 8 th /Literacy 8 th Block (2 Periods) 1544L OR ELD English 8 th (1 Period) 1520L (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support
			<i>RETAINED In Grade 7</i> ELD English 7 th /Literacy 7 th Block (2 Periods) 1543L

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- Students whose CELDT test date is on or before April 30th of the current calendar year and whose OPL is Intermediate or above should follow the ELD course sequence.
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Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-12

English Learners at the Advanced, Early Advanced or Intermediate (CELDT \geq 508) Levels of Fluency

Grade Level	Above/At/Close to Expectations (Consider Reclassification)	Below Expectations	Far Below Expectations
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS	Grade 9 Placement for Exiting Gr. 8	ELD English 1 (1 Period) 1540L	ELD English 1 Block (2 Periods) 1552L OR ELD English 1 (1 Period) 1540L (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support
	Grade 10 Placement for Exiting Gr. 9	ELD English 3 (1 Period) 1570L	ELD English 3 Block (2 Periods) 1554L OR ELD English 1 (1 Period) 1570L (students will be grouped with Above/At/Close to students) PLUS 1 additional period literacy support
	Grade 11 Placement for Exiting Gr. 10	ELD American Literature 1 Block (2 Periods) 1615L OR ELD American Literature 1 (1 Period) 1583L	
	Grade 12 Placement for Exiting Gr. 11	ELD Contemporary Voices in Literature 1 (1 Period) 1612L OR ELD World Literature (1 Period) 1705L	

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- Students whose CELDT test date is on or before April 30th of the current calendar year and whose OPL is Intermediate or above should follow the ELD course sequence.
- Students at the high range of Intermediate (OPL 508-528), Early Advanced, and Advanced proficiency levels are determined to possess *reasonable fluency* in English and should follow the **ELD** course sequence.

Students with *reasonable fluency* in English also have the option of enrolling in a one-period ELD course plus an additional period of literacy support.

Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-12

English Learners at the Beginning, Early Intermediate, and Intermediate (CELDT < 508) Levels of Fluency

Grade Level	Meets Newcomer Criteria AND School has a Newcomer Program	OPL Beginning	OPL Early Intermediate	OPL Intermediate and < 508
Grade 6 Placement for Exiting Gr. 5 (Middle School only)	ESL Literacy 6 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1539	ESL Literacy 6 th Block Beginning (2 Periods) 1643	ESL Literacy 6 th Block Early Intermediate (2 Periods) 1646	ESL Literacy 6 th Block Intermediate (2 Periods) 1649
Grade 7 Placement for Exiting Gr. 6	ESL Literacy 7 th -8 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1660	ESL Literacy 7 th Block Beginning (2 Periods) 1644	ESL Literacy 7 th Block Early Intermediate (2 Periods) 1647	ESL Literacy 7 th Block Intermediate (2 Periods) 1650
Grade 8 Placement for Exiting Gr. 7	ESL Literacy 7 th -8 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1660	ESL Literacy 8 th Block Beginning (2 Periods) 1645	ESL Literacy 8 th Block Early Intermediate (2 Periods) 1648	ESL Literacy 8 th Block Intermediate (2 Periods) 1651
Grade 9 Placement for Exiting Gr. 8	ESL Literacy 9 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1661	ESL 1 Literacy 9 th Block (2 Periods) 1621	ESL 3 Literacy 9 th Block (2 Periods) 1623	ESL 5 Literacy 9 th Block (2 Periods) 1625
Grade 10 Placement for Exiting Gr. 9	ESL Literacy 10 th -12 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1662	ESL 1 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1631	ESL 3 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1633	ESL 5 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1635

Placement decisions for English Learners must first start with an understanding of the current proficiency level of each student.

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- Students whose CELDT test date is on or before April 30th of the current calendar year and whose OPL is Intermediate or above should follow the **ELD** course sequence.
- Students at the high range of Intermediate (OPL 508-528), Early Advanced, and Advanced proficiency levels are determined to possess *reasonable fluency* in English and should follow the **ELD** course sequence.

Students with *reasonable fluency* in English also have the option of enrolling in a one-period **ELD** course plus an additional period of literacy support.

Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy Grades 6-12

English Learners at the Beginning, Early Intermediate, and Intermediate (CELDT < 508) Levels of Fluency

Grade Level	Meets Newcomer Criteria AND School has a Newcomer Program	OPL Beginning	OPL Early Intermediate	OPL Intermediate and < 508
Grade 11 Placement for Exiting Gr. 10	ESL Literacy 10 th -12 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1662	ESL 1 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1631	ESL 3 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1633	ESL 5 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1635
Grade 12 Placement for Exiting Gr. 11	ESL Literacy 10 th -12 th Core Newcomer (3 Periods) 1662	ESL 1 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1631	ESL 3 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1633	ESL 5 Literacy 10 th -12 th Block (2 Periods) 1635

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Students with *reasonable fluency* in English also have the option of enrolling in 1 period ELD courses plus an additional 1 period literacy support course.

Students should not be enrolled in ESL courses for more than 1-2 years. Students are expected to progress one level of proficiency for each year enrolled.

San Diego City Schools
2005-2006 Literacy Course Guide
Grades 6-8 (Fluent English Proficient Students)

Grade 6

Course #	Title	Course Configuration/ Course Credit
1550	English 6th/Literacy 6th	2 Periods
1550G	English 6th/Literacy 6th	2 Periods
1550S	English 6th/Literacy 6th Seminar	2 Periods
1550C	English 6th/Literacy 6th Cluster	2 Periods
1542	English 6th/Literacy 6th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods
1542G	English 6th/Literacy 6th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods

Grade 7

Course #	Title	Course Configuration/ Course Credit
1501	English 7th	1 Period
1501G	English 7th	1 Period
1501S	English 7th Seminar	1 Period
1501C	English 7th Cluster	1 Period
1551	English 7th/Literacy 7th	2 Periods
1551S	English 7th/Literacy 7th Seminar	2 Periods
1551C	English 7th/Literacy 7th Cluster	2 Periods
1551G	English 7th/Literacy 7th	2 Periods
1543	English 7th/Literacy 7th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods
1543G	English 7th/Literacy 7th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods

Grade 8

Course #	Title	Course Configuration/ Course Credit
1520	English 8th	1 Period
1520G	English 8th	1 Period
1520S	English 8th Seminar	1 Period
1520C	English 8th Cluster	1 Period
1559	English 8th/Literacy 8th	2 Periods
1559S	English 8th/Literacy 8th Seminar	2 Periods
1559C	English 8th/Literacy 8th Cluster	2 Periods
1559G	English 8th/Literacy 8th	2 Periods
1544	English 8th/Literacy 8th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods
1544G	English 8th/Literacy 8th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods

San Diego City Schools
2005-2006 Literacy Course Guide
Grades 6-8 (English Learners)

Grade 6

Course #	Title	Course Configuration/ Course Credit
1550L	ELD English 6th/Literacy 6th Consider Reclassification	2 Periods
1542L	ELD English 6th/Literacy 6th Block Below/Far Below Expectations	2 Periods
1643	ESL Literacy 6th Block Beginning	2 Periods
1646	ESL Literacy 6th Block Early Intermediate	2 Periods
1649	ESL Literacy 6th Block Intermediate	2 Periods
1539	ESL Literacy 6th Core Newcomer	3 Periods

Note: For specific criteria regarding placement of ELs (e.g., length of enrollment, CELDT OPL, performance levels), see Student Placement Guidelines: Literacy, Grades 6-10 for English Learners.

Grade 7

Course #	Title	Course Configuration/ Course Credit
1501L	ELD English 7th Middle Schools only Consider Reclassification	1 Period
1551L	ELD English 7th/Literacy 7th Enrolled 3 Years or More Consider Reclassification	2 Periods
1543L	ELD English 7th/Literacy 7th Block	2 Periods
1644	ESL Literacy 7th Block Beginning	2 Periods
1647	ESL Literacy 7th Block Early Intermediate	2 Periods
1650	ESL Literacy 7th Block Intermediate	2 Periods
1660	ESL Literacy 7th - 8th Core Newcomer	3 Periods

Grade 8

Course #	Title	Course Configuration/ Course Credit
1520L	ELD English 8th Consider Reclassification	1 Period
1559L	ELD English 8th/Literacy 8th Consider Reclassification	2 Periods
1544L	ELD English 8th/Literacy 8th Block	2 Periods
1645	ESL Literacy 8th Block Beginning	2 Periods
1648	ESL Literacy 8th Block Early Intermediate	2 Periods
1651	ESL Literacy 8th Block Intermediate	2 Periods
1660	ESL Literacy 7th - 8th Core Newcomer	3 Periods