Newcomer Program

Program Description: The Newcomer Program is a short term program that teaches English and acculturation to U.S. schools, as well academic subjects. The Newcomer Program is for students who are recent immigrants to the United States, with limited English proficiency and limited education in their native countries. Students attend special classes separate from native English-speaking students for a limited period of time.

Instructional Goals: To develop English language competence and academic skills and prepare students to succeed in U.S. schools.

Program Components: You son/daughter will receive instruction in the areas checked:

- Reading and writing in English
- American history in English
- Reading and writing in native language
- American history in native language
- Specialized instruction in English (ESL)
- Consumer education in English
- Mathematics in English
- Consumer education in native language
- Mathematics in native language
- Health in English
- Science in English
- Health in native language
- Social Studies in English
- Driver’s Education in English
- Social Studies in native language
- Driver’s Education in native language
- History and culture of your country and the United States

Exit Procedures (Information in this section varies from district to district.)

Students remain in the Newcomer Program for no more than _____ months. Most students leave the Newcomer Program before they are proficient in English. They transfer into another program to continue studying English and academic subjects. Our districts’ expected rate of transition into the mainstream is _____ % annually.

The expected rate of graduation for high school in this program is _____.

Special Education Services

For disabled students requiring specialized services, language instruction meets the objectives of the student’s Individualized Education Program (IEP).

Other Programs Offered at the School

- Regular instruction for students who are fluent in English. Instruction is in English at all times. Native language is not used. No English as a Second language instruction is offered. The instructional goal is to meet grade appropriate academic achievement standards for grade promotion and graduation.
- Information about any other program offered may be attached.