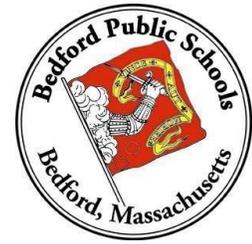


BEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS



To: Members of the Bedford School Committee
From: Cliff Chuang, Superintendent
Date: April 5, 2024
Subject: EL Presentation - ACCESS Data & Update on EL/Newcomers

On Tuesday, April 9th, Carrie Powers, Director of Bedford Public Schools' English Learner Education Program will provide an overview of the EL Program in Bedford, including information on the following topics:

- The number of English Learners in 2023-24, broken down by grade level.
- WIDA ACCESS Results from 2023 (the most recent data), with information regarding student proficiency and making progress in both English Language Arts and mathematics, including, student growth percentiles.
- Information on Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE).
- A detailed outline for each of the programs at Davis, Lane, JGMS and BHS. This includes information on Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) programs at individual schools, the Dual Language Newcomer Program and Newcomer Program at Davis, and SLIFE programs at Lane, JGMS and BHS.
- Information on The Adult ESL program at both the Bedford Plaza Hotel and at BHS.
- An appreciation to the Bedford Community Volunteers.
- SLIFE Program professional development course (PDC) for Bedford faculty members to participate in. The SLIFE Program professional development course includes 5 classes taught by Carrie Powers and Tricia White, which will provide information for teachers to use when planning lessons for SLIFE students.
- Upcoming EL Events, including the Annual EL Award Night, and EL Summer School information.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Reference Document:

- [English Learner Education Program "Educate and Advocate" 2023-2024](#)