

**Home Language Survey - Explanation for Parents**

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parent/Guardian(s):

Our school district asks parents to complete a Home Language Survey for all students enrolled in the district. This survey is necessary in order to help determine if students are eligible for additional services from our district. Some of these services we are required to provide by *Civil Rights* law. Other services are provided with federal funds through grants that are part of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act* as amended by the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*.

Our district collects information using the Home Language Survey to determine if your child might be eligible to receive services in the district English Language Development Program. In addition, the information collected is used to determine if your child might qualify for English Learner or Immigrant Grant services under Title III. If our district qualifies for a Title III grant, and your child is identified as eligible for this grant, then your child could benefit from these additional Title III grant services.

Title III English Learner (EL) grant services are used to provide services to EL students that are in addition to the district’s English Language Development Program to help them attain English proficiency and access the district’s educational program.

Title III Immigrant Grant Services are **not** based on a student’s legal immigration status or English proficiency level. Any information collected to determine eligibility for these grants and services is only used to determine eligibility for these grants and services. It is **not** used to check on legal immigration status in any way. These services are provided to students that fit a federal education related definition for students who might come from an educational system that is different than the educational system in our school district. The definition of an immigrant student found in the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act* as amended by the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* is a student that is age 3 to 21, was not born in the United States (including Washington, DC and Puerto Rico) and has not attended one or more schools in any state for more than 3 full academic years. If your child fits this definition, your child may be eligible for services provided through this grant.

Please call your child’s school or the school district office at \_\_\_\_\_ (*phone*) if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to working with you toward the goal of excellence for your child.

Sincerely,

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Name

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Title