

# DELAC Meeting Minutes

## November 2, 2016

Wednesday, November 2, 2016

5:55 PM

### Welcome and Introductions

#### Purpose of DELAC

- Sites have ELAC and districts who have over 51 EL students have a DELAC
- Open communication with EL families
- Seek advice from those EL community members to support our EL students

#### Intro to LCAP

- Reviewed the four goals of the LCAP plan
  - Student achievement
  - Prevention/intervention/acceleration
    - Discussed how EL students are supported district wide
  - Professional growth and development
  - Engagement/culture/climate
- Questions
  - From parent: Could we bring before or after school supports to the elementary school level?
    - One of the largest concerns of EL parents is being able to support students at home due to language barriers, busy home schedules, and extra curricular activities
    - Obstacles
      - Transportation
      - Monies to support program
    - Suggestions
      - Saturday
        - Classes for parents and students
          - Parents getting support for the ways they can support their student at home along with English acquisition support
          - Students get academic/homework support from bilingual teachers/tutors
      - Community involved in transportation
      - High School student support
    - Comments
      - Thompson discussed experience of Saturday school with their EL students with support of high school bilingual students

#### English Language Learner Programs and Support

- Elementary Schools
  - Piloting new ELA curriculum
    - Curriculum is being evaluated for how it supports EL students
    - Two final pilots

- McGraw Hill's Wonders
    - Benchmark
  - Piloting a software to support EL students - Imagine learning
    - Purpose
      - Improve English language acquisition
    - Described
  - Rail Ranch started Coffee and Conversation mornings with EL families
    - Also partnered with MSJC to support parents with classes
    - Buchanan has joined with Coffee and Conversation
- Middle and High School
  - Inside Series of National Geographic
    - Develops skills in all language acquisition areas
  - Edge Series of National Geographic
    - Similar to middle school, but accesses curriculum at their interest and age level
- Imagine Learning
  - Secondary teachers are just beginning to be trained in use of the program
- Rosetta Stone
  - More of a support to build English skills
- Comments
  - Want our EL families to know that we advocate maintaining primary language and develop students who are multi-language.

#### Next Meeting

- February 9, 2017 @ 6 pm
- Suggestions to ELAC teams
  - Develop a needs assessments for individual school communities
    - What do your families want?
    - Examples:
      - Understanding computer programs used by the schools
      - The homework supports suggested earlier
        - Specific to math support
  - Summarize DELAC