

eLearning Resources - English Learners

Included below are digital resources for both schools and families of English learner students during instruction in eLearning environments. For more information about the requirements for English learner students, see IDOE's [eLearning Requirements and Supports for English Learners](#) guidance.

Resource Hubs

The following are websites housing many additional links and resources in a variety of categories pertaining to supporting English learner students in an online setting.

Resource	Description
WIDA's Teaching Multilingual Learners Online	WIDA's guidance for teaching multilingual learners online features each WIDA Guiding Principle, with actions both teachers and students can take, as well as online resource links that align with the principle...WIDA has also developed a COVID-19-specific page with additional resources.
Practical Strategies and Resources for Teaching ELLs Online from SupportEd	Author Diane Staehr Fenner and SupportEd has compiled resources in a Padlet that focus on the categories of content instruction, translation services, tools to communicate with families, and more.
The New Teacher Project's Supporting Multilingual Learners during the COVID-19 Shutdown	This resource contains general recommendations, technology resources with language considerations, and resources for language development categorized by whether they need an adult present, languages represented, their printability, and more.

Schools Connecting with Families

These resources are to assist schools with effectively communicating with English learner and immigrant families.

Resource	Description
Colorin Colorado: School Responses to COVID - ELL/Immigrant Considerations	Colorin Colorado has provided considerations and recommendations for schools in communicating and connecting with EL and immigrant families. Among others, topics include providing access to essential COVID-19 information, communication methods, and planning for e-learning.
Talking Points	This is a messaging app teachers can use with parents and families that translates written text to the home language - with over 130 languages featured.
Immigrant Connections: English Learner Family Engagement During Coronavirus	Immigrant Connections has organized resources surrounding EL family engagement including parent info in written and video formats and multilingual book resources.

Instructional Programs and Resources

These are instructional programs or resources that can be accessed online, and are appropriate for various ages and proficiency levels of English learners. NOTE: Many of the resources below which ordinarily require a paid subscription are offering free access during the COVID-19 closures.

Resource	Description
BrainPop ELL	Interactive English language development, with grammar and academic language components; Intended for grades K-12
NewsELA	Non-fiction articles on a number of topics that can be leveled by Lexile; Spanish articles and text sets on particular topics available as well; Intended for grades 2-12

Learning A-Z	Suite of products to develop literacy and content skills, including an online platform, leveled readers, and a series especially for ELLs; Intended for grades K-8
EPIC Books	Large digital library including specific content connection sets and books in Spanish; Intended for grades K-5
Lexia	Foundational literacy program adapted to be age-appropriate for new English learners at all levels and ages; Individualized assessment and data; Intended for grades K-12
Achieve 3000	Suite of products focused on content area literacy; Individualized learning and leveled texts across content areas, including Spanish literacy; Intended for grades K-12
Migrant Literacy Net	Provides resources for teachers in supporting ELLs, including materials in Spanish from grades 1-8. There are math, reading, writing, WIDA, and study skill lessons provided as well. Teachers can create a free account; Intended for grades K-12
International Children's Digital Library	Online library with a global approach, featuring books for kids from countries all over the world, including translations into multiple languages; Intended for grades K-12