# WIDA ELD Essentials



WIDA English
Language
Development (ELD)
resources focus on
what multilingual
learners can do
as they read, write,
listen and speak.

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### **Teach**

English learners' proficiency levels, from 1-6, inform teachers about what students can do in English.

Educators may use a variety of <u>WIDA ELD Standards Framework</u>
<u>resources</u> along with <u>WIDA Can Do Descriptors</u> to support
instruction, student growth and family engagement.

WIDA <u>encourages collaboration</u> between educators and other stakeholders

### **Assess**

Students are assessed in Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. They receive proficiency level scores between 1 and 6.

English learners are identified using <u>WIDA Screener</u> and then take the annual <u>WIDA ACCESS</u> or <u>WIDA Alternate ACCESS</u> until they meet a state's exit criteria.\*

<u>WIDA MODEL</u> can be used as an interim assessment to measure proficiency levels. WIDA
ELD resources
connect through
the WIDA
ELD Standards
Framework

#### **Grow**

WIDA provides <u>learning</u> opportunities for educators so that they can support students in their English language development.

Educators can leverage opportunities like WIDA's state-specific workshops, open registration in-person workshops, eLearning workshops, webinars, videos, website resources and more.

## Research

<u>WIDA research</u> helps create innovative resources for classrooms and schools.

WIDA produces <u>a variety of resources</u> such as Focus Bulletins, Snapshots, research reports and working papers to summarize and share research. WIDA also uses the most current research to inform its standards update cycle and test development process.

