

The goal of EL instruction in the Osseo Area Schools is to support English learners in achieving the English language proficiency needed to succeed academically and to realize personal, social, and career goals. EL teachers work in collaboration with both general education and specialist teachers to design a comprehensive instructional program for each student. EL teachers review data throughout the school year to determine how a student progresses through the EL program.

Overview of the EL Program at the High School Level

Students who are eligible for EL services are assigned an EL level (1-5) based on a language assessment. EL teachers provide supplemental English language development instruction for all students at levels 1-5. They also collaborate with content-area teachers in core subject areas to provide access to grade-level academic content and support English language development for students.

EL Level 5: Bridging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Research (one trimester) – elective credit • Writing 5 (two trimesters) – elective credit OR • Academic Language Development – elective credit • Co-taught classes as needed in Social Studies <p style="text-align: center;">--Students take all required courses and electives.</p>
EL Level 4: Expanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-taught English Language Arts 9 or 10 – ELA credit • Advanced Research (one trimester) – elective credit • EL Writing 4 (two trimesters) - elective credit OR • Academic Language Development (two trimesters) – elective credit • Co-taught classes as needed in Science and Social Studies <p style="text-align: center;">--Students take all required courses and electives.</p>
EL Level 3: Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-taught English Language Arts 9 – ELA credit • EL English 3 – elective credit • Research (one trimester) – elective credit • EL Writing 3 (two trimesters) – elective credit OR • EL Academic Language and Skills: support class for science and social studies (two trimesters) –elective credit • Co-taught classes as needed: Science 9, U.S. History 9 <p style="text-align: center;">-- Students take all required courses and electives.</p>
EL Level 2: Emerging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EL English 2 – elective credit • EL Language Through Content: Science 2 – elective credit • EL Language Through Content: Social Studies 2 – elective credit • EL Math courses if necessary - elective credit • EL Read 180 if necessary – elective credit <p style="text-align: center;">--General education classes in Art, Choir, Tech. Ed, FACS, Phy. Ed, Keyboarding. --Postpone grade-level English, Social Studies, Health, Life Fitness, and Science courses.</p>
EL Level 1: Entering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EL English 1 – elective credit • EL Language through Content: Science 1 - elective credit • EL Language through Content: Social Studies 1 – elective credit • EL Math courses if necessary - elective credit • EL Supported Study – elective credit <p style="text-align: center;">--General education classes in Art, Choir, FACS, Physical Education, Keyboarding. --Postpone grade-level English, Social Studies, Health, Life Fitness, and Science courses.</p>

Course offerings may vary slightly from one school to another.

Co-teaching support is provided based on needs of students and staff capacity.