ELL Overrides: Updated Procedure
Updated April 4, 2011

June 2011
- LEAs receive UALPA testing results
- Scores are 1,2,3,4,5

By July 7, 2011

LEAs submit Clearinghouse following these rules for ELL coding:

Y - Student is ELL. This includes all UALPA levels. *No* ELL MONITORED
ENTRY DATE

O - Refused services offered through NCLB Title III. This includes all UALPA levels.
No ELL MONITORED ENTRY DATE

F - Fluent UALPA level A scored on a **prior year test** (2009-10 or earlier), or
otherwise met ELL exit criteria. **Must have a date for when exited
services and entered monitoring** (see "If F" below)

N - Tested and determined not to be ELL

BLANK - Not tested, not ELL

For more details see:
http://schools.utah.gov/computerservices/DOCS/dataclearinghouse/Clearinghouse_YE_SY2011.aspx
page 20.

After July 7,2011
1. LEAs use UALPA scores to update ELL student records in the local SIS.
2. All future clearinghouse submissions from the LEA should reflect this update.
3. Students scoring 5 should be updated to fluent with an exit date of 6/30/2011.
Any exceptions should be supported by LEA documentation.

Override Guidelines

In **rare, unique circumstances,** an LEA may determine that it is appropriate to override a student's designation as determined by the UALPA score if:

1. The LEA has determined that the designation of **Fluent** is not appropriate for the student, and the student should **remain** in Title III service.

OR

*2. The L*EA has determined that the student should be **exited** from Title III services, before meeting the Established Exit Criteria.

An LEA may override a student's designation as determined by the UALPA score if the following process is followed:

1. The LEA determines criteria (such as grades; ELA, Math, Science CRT scores; other assessments; etc.)
2. The ELL team is assembled (parent, teacher, administrator or as determined by LEA).
3. ELL Team approves the override for **language related reasons only,** based on criteria developed by the LEA.

- This decision must be **language based and documented.**

FAQs

1. Can LEAs still submit an override file to USOE in the Fall?

LEAs will no longer submit an override file.

2. What If an LEA determines an ELL student who received a score of 5 should not be moved to Fluent?

The LEA does not change the student's ELL "Y"status to Fluent in the SIS and does not enter an exit date. The LEA's future clearinghouse file would reflect this entry. This change should not be made until after July 7. However, the LEA should have sufficient evidence to justify this decision and will need   to be prepared to present it in case of an audit.

3. What if the LEA wants to move a student to fluent who scored below a 5?

The LEA should change the student's ELL status to Fluent in the SIS and enter an exit date of 6/30/2011. The LEA's future clearinghouse file would reflect this entry.
This change should not be made until after July 7. However, the LEA should have sufficient evidence to justify this decision and will need to be prepared to present it in case of an audit.