

Innovation Proposal: Newcomer Toolkits and Instructional Resources for Multilingual Students

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Proposed Innovation

“Newcomer Toolkits” will be provided to each teacher and that teacher will be trained in how to implement these kits to address the growing language learner population. New enrollments happen at any time, so this will help teachers be prepared for new student arrivals in their classroom as they will already have the toolkit and knowledge to support student needs.

Purpose and Potential

The data we have around our EL population shows that we have students struggling to meet their adequate progress targets. We want to improve our support and instruction so that they can show adequate growth. The materials proposed in this grant will help classes become better equipped for welcoming our newcomer EL students.

Courses Include

a class that meets on an alternating A/B schedule for 80 minutes or every weekday for 40 minutes.

Student Outcomes

will be measured through formative assessments and annual WIDA data. Growth will also be tracked through Utah Aspire Plus benchmarks.

Funding

Grant funding will be used for the purchase of classroom and PD books, dictionaries, language cards, and EL-specific Wonders packs.

Under House Bill 386, Local Education Agencies can approve up to \$5,000 in grant funding for innovation programs. The innovation outlined here is one example that has been approved for implementation. Learn more at schools.utah.gov/ulead