

Home Language Survey Form: Step 1

Reviewed by (Registrar Personnel): _____ Date: _____

Introduction

This survey is the first of three steps to identify whether or not a student is eligible to be an English language learner (ELL).

Instructions

Start with "Question 1" and continue until the HLS is complete. Select the answer for each question and follow the instructions. When you arrive at a decision ("Proceed to Records Review Process" or "Do not proceed to Records Review Process"), the Home-Language Survey is complete.

Student Information

Student name: _____

Student birth date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Phone number: _____

Survey Questions

Question 1

What was the first language used by the student? _____

A language other than English. Proceed to question 2a.

English. Proceed to question 2b.

Question 2a (circle one)

At home, does the student hear or use a language other than English more than half of the time?

Yes. Proceed to question 7.

No. Proceed to question 4.

Question 2b (circle one)

At home, does the student hear or use a language other than English more than half of the time?

Yes. Proceed to question 4.

No. Proceed to question 3.

Question 3 (circle one)

Does the student understand a language other than English?

Yes. Proceed to question 4.

No. Proceed to 9.

Question 4 (circle one)

When interacting with his/her parents or guardians, does the student use a language other than English more than half of the time?

Yes. Proceed to question 7.

No. Proceed to question 5.

Question 5 (circle one)

When interacting with caregivers other than their parents or guardians, does the student use a language other than English more than half of the time?

Yes. Proceed to 8.

No. Proceed to question 6.

Question 6 (circle one)

Has the student recently moved from another school district/charter school where he/she was identified as an English language learner?

Yes. Proceed to 8.

No. Proceed to 9.

Question 7

What are the home languages spoken? List below and proceed to 8.

8. Proceed to Step 2: Records Review Process (To be completed by NJ Certified Staff only – Reference ESSA ELL Entry and Exit Guidance, p. 4).

Home Language Survey is complete.

Make sure ESL is marked YES on the Registration form!

**9. Do not proceed to Step 2: Records Review Process.
Home Language Survey is complete. Student is not an English-Language Learner (ELL)**