

RAINBOW ELEMENTARY ENGLISH LEARNER PROGRAM

Madison City Schools recognizes that within our district there are students who have a primary language other than English. Our goal is that the English Learner (EL) or English as a Second Language (ESL) program would help each student to become proficient in the use of the English language; however, not replace the student's primary language.

Identification of EL Students at Rainbow Elementary

At registration, every child enrolled in the Alabama public school system is given a Home Language Survey. If a language other than English is provided on the survey, students in Grades K-12 are assessed for English proficiency using the WIDA Screener or Model for Kindergarten. This screening tool is used to determine whether a child is eligible for English language instructional services. Parents may choose to waive EL services.

Instruction at Rainbow Elementary is provided in English only and adapted to the student's English proficiency level. This involves teaching grade-level subject matter in English in ways that are comprehensible and that engage students academically, while also promoting English language development. Our EL Instructional Program is designed to teach ELs explicitly about the English language, including the academic language needed to access content instruction, and to develop their English language proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

Need help with homework?

Huntsville-Madison County Public Library has on-line tutors if your child needs help with homework from 3 to 10 PM. Check it out at <https://hmcpl.org/> under the research tab.

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Parent Communication App

<http://talkingpts.org>



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