



# ELRISE!

ENGLISH LEARNER ROADMAP IMPLEMENTATION  
FOR SYSTEMIC EXCELLENCE

## INFORMATION SHEET

### Fall Webinar Series for Teachers

#### Rising to the Challenges of Meeting the Needs of English Learners in a Distance Learning Context

In response to calls for support from the field, EL RISE! Is offering a series of four webinars. This series specifically addresses the challenges of reopening schools in distance learning contexts and meeting the needs of English learners during this pandemic. To answer questions that teacher and school site/district administrators may have about whether to enroll in these webinars, the following Information Sheet is offered.

There are 3 individual webinars designed for all K-6<sup>th</sup> grade elementary school teachers and one two-part webinar series for Dual Language and Bilingual K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers.

#### **Does one need to register and participate in all four webinars, or can you register for just one or two?**

A person can register for just one webinar, or for two, or all webinars. Each webinar is designed as a “stand alone” except for the Spanish Dual Immersion Program webinar which is a two-part series.

#### **Will the webinars be recorded and available to watch at a later date?**

Yes, the webinars will be recorded and available to watch at a later date.

#### **Who is the intended audience for the following webinars?**

*The Welcoming, Inclusive and Affirming Classrooms for English Learners* webinar is for K-6th grade teachers. Coaches, TOSAS, counselors, school site and district administrators are welcome.

*The Critical Conditions for English Learners in Distance Learning* webinar is intended for K-6th grade teachers. Coaches, TOSAS, counselors, school site and district administrators are welcome.

*Creating and Sustaining Family Partnership in Distance Learning* webinar is intended for K-6th grade teachers. Coaches, TOSAS, counselors, school site and district administrators are welcome.

### **Who is the Intended audience for the Spanish Dual Language Program webinars?**

*The Partnering with Families in the First Month of Dual Language Programs-K/1, Part 1* is intended for Dual Language and Bilingual K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers. Coaches, TOSAS, counselors, school site and district administrators are welcome.

*Planning for Biliteracy in Distance Learning: Spanish Dual Language Programs K/1, Part 2* is intended for Dual Language and Bilingual K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers. Coaches, TOSAS, counselors, school site and district administrators are welcome.

### **Does one need to register for both Part 1 and 2 of the Spanish Dual Language Program webinars?**

A person who registers for this webinar which consists of two parts, is expected to participate in both parts. Each part is offered twice, and registrants can specify which of the two dates they will attend.

### **Can people from outside the County register?**

Yes.

### **I was excited to hear that EL RISE! is a three-year effort that is focused on systemic implementation of the EL Roadmap. What else will be made available for teachers interested in implementing the EL Roadmap?**

Throughout the next three years, there will be multiple professional and leadership development offerings for teachers related to implementing the EL Roadmap. This first set of four webinars is a response to urgent immediate needs. Once we are into the school year, institutes and strands of modules for teachers will be offered by EL RISE! addressing overall instruction and approaches for meeting the needs of specific subgroups of English learners (e.g., Long term English Learners, newcomers), comprehensive planning for EL Roadmap implementation, etc. Professional learning will be provided separately for secondary school teachers and for elementary school teachers in order to address the specific challenges and opportunities for meeting the needs of English Learners in secondary schools at different levels.

### **Who is leading these sessions?**

This series for teachers is designed and presented by SEAL (Sobrato Early Academic Language), a research-based model that centralizes English learners, a partner of EL RISE! The SEAL presentation team includes:

- Jennifer Diehl, Director of Innovation and Strategy
- Charice Guerra, Program Coordinator and District Relations Administrator
- Jen McNeil, Program Coordinator and District Relations Administrator
- Heather Skibbins, Program Manager
- Jenny Ancheta-Garcia, Program Coordinator
- Adriana Diaz, Program Specialist
- Jaylene Shelby, Program Specialist
- Ashleigh Williams, Program Specialist

The webinars will include illustrative examples of teachers in the field supporting English learners in distance learning context.