

California Definition of Long-Term English Learner

An English learner (EL) student to which all of the following apply: (1) is enrolled on Census Day (the first Wednesday in October) in grades 3 to 12, inclusive; and (2) has been enrolled in a U.S. school for four or five years; and (3) has scored at the intermediate level or below on the prior year administration of the CELDT; and (4) for students in grades 4 to 9, inclusive, has scored in the fourth or fifth year at the “Standard Not Met” level on the prior year administration of the CAASPP-ELA. In addition, please note the following: (1) students for whom one or more of the required testing criteria are not available are categorically determined to be “At-Risk”; and (2) the assessment component of “At-Risk” determination for students in grades 10 – 12, inclusive, is based solely on the CELDT criteria outlined above; and (3) the CAASPP-ELA component of “At-Risk” determination is not applied to students in grade 3, as outlined in Education Code Section 313.1(b)(1)(D), because the CAASPP-ELA is administered in grades 3 to 8, inclusive, and 11, so students enrolled in grade 3 on Census Day will not have prior year CAASPP-ELA test scores available. For more information see Education Code 313.1