

Mountain View Los Altos High School District
Division of Educational Services
Reclassification Criteria - *Amended for 2020-21*
May 2020

Reclassification is the process in which districts determine whether or not an English learner student has sufficient English proficiency to be reclassified as a fluent English speaker. The MVLA reclassification criteria was adopted by the Board on May 20, 2019.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has become necessary to amend the MVLA reclassification criteria for the 2020-21 school year given that the grading system for the Spring 2020 has been modified to issue Credit or No Credit in place of letter grades as approved by the Board on April 6, 2020.

According to the CDE, districts must determine criterion for each area of reclassification:

1. Assessment of English language proficiency (ELP), using an objective assessment instrument, including, but not limited to, the state test of ELPAC; and
2. Teacher evaluation, including, but not limited to, a review of the student's curriculum mastery; and
3. Parent opinion and consultation; and
4. Comparison of student performance in basic skills against an empirically established range of performance in basic skills of English proficient students of the same age.

On April 29, 2020, the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) proposed the following amended criteria to commence in 2020/21.

1. Overall ELPAC score of "4" with no less than a "3" in Written or Oral Language Performance Levels
2. Teacher evaluation by English/ELD teacher based on:
 - a. ~~Grade of C or better~~ **Credit** in English Language Arts or English Language Development
 - b. If grades are lower than above, teacher may complete a "Teacher Recommendation" form to determine if the student's grade is **not** due to language acquisition issues in order to satisfy this requirement.
3. Parent Input
4. 80% or higher on the EDGE Placement Test or Standard Met or Standard Nearly Met on the CAASPP/Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) in ELA for 8th or 11th grade: (if 8th grade, minimum score of 2487)