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# Coaching of Instructional Leaders & Staff- Integrated ELD Initiative

Empowering educators to elevate teaching and learning for Multilingual Learners

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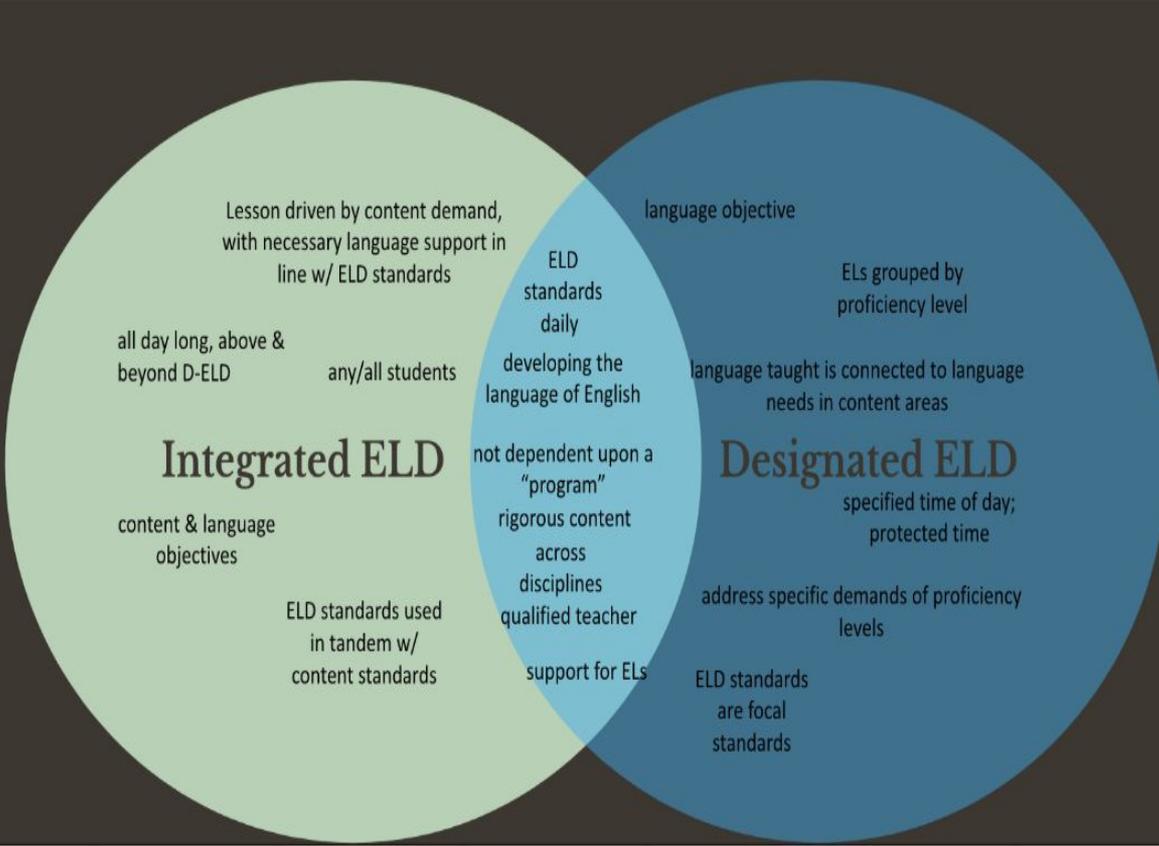
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# Guiding Principles for ELA/ ELD Instruction



- All students bring strengths
- Meaning-making is central
- Language and literacy develop across disciplines
- Integrated ELD and designated ELD are essential
- Classroom talk and collaboration matter
- Assessment supports learning

# Integrated ELD (I-ELD) and Designated ELD (D-ELD)



**Designated ELD**

Daily protected time focused **explicitly on English language skills**

Taught by teachers who use **English language standards (ELD standards)**

Small-group or whole-class instruction **based on students' proficiency levels**

Focus: **How English works** (grammar, vocabulary, syntax, discourse)

**Integrated ELD**

Happens **throughout the school day** in all content areas (math, science, social studies, etc.)

Teachers use **both content standards and ELD standards** to make lessons accessible

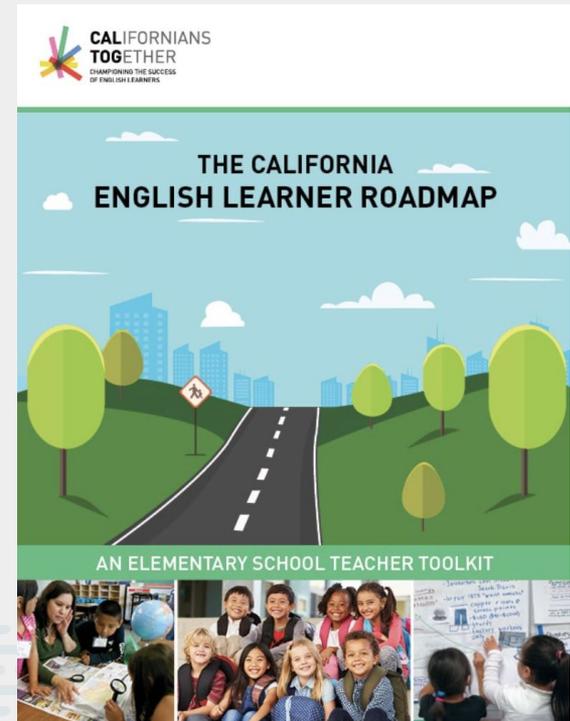
Focus: **Using English to learn academic content**

Emphasizes listening, speaking, reading, and writing in meaningful contexts

# Purpose of Coaching for Instructional Leaders

*Strengthen instructional leadership to elevate outcomes for multilingual learners.*

- Understand key components of the **English Learner (EL) Roadmap**.
- Use the roadmap to **observe and provide actionable feedback** to teachers.
- Align classroom practices with **ELD Standards** and multilingual learner growth goals.



# Center Work on the Four Pillars of the EL Roadmap



## **High-Quality Curriculum and Instruction**

*Ensure all English learners have access to rigorous, standards-aligned content that develops both language and academic skills.*

## **Equitable Access and Opportunities**

*Provide fair access to advanced courses, resources, and supports so every EL can thrive academically and socially.*

## **Comprehensive Assessment and Accountability**

*Use data from multiple assessments to monitor language and content growth and inform instructional decisions.*

## **Empowered Leadership and Professional Learning**

*Support educators and leaders with ongoing coaching and professional development to implement best practices for EL success.*

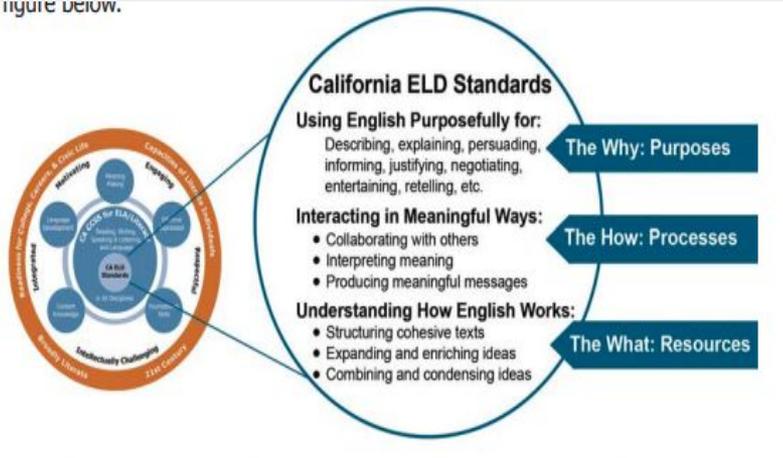


# Purpose and Goals for Teaching Staff:



- Bridge language development and academic achievement.
- Ensure equitable learning opportunities across all classrooms.
- Promote creativity, critical thinking, and inclusivity in educational practices.

Figure below.



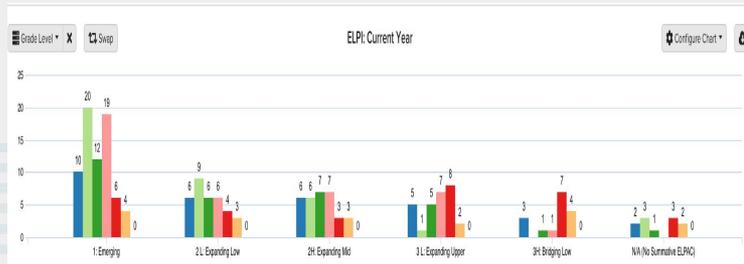


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# What Coaching Looks Like for Teaching Staff

- Collaborative **planning** and **lesson design** with colleagues.
- Classroom observations and **reflective feedback** from coaches and colleagues.
- **Modeling** of designated and integrated ELD instruction
- Data-informed **goal setting** with instructional leaders and teachers.





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# Impact and Outcomes

- Increased **educator confidence** and **instructional clarity**.
- Stronger student **academic language** use.
- Greater **engagement** and inclusivity in classrooms.





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# Next Steps

- Refine coaching moves and leadership feedback
- Continue capacity-building for instructional leaders.
- Use data cycles to measure and refine coaching effectiveness.

**PRINCIPLE #2 SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL:  
INTELLECTUALLY RICH AND MEANINGFUL ACCESS**

Thinking about your own classroom and yourself as a teacher, where would you place yourself/your classroom in terms of indicators of enactment of Principle #2?

Indicators/Examples	Not present, not assessing, or assessing in an inconsistent way	Areas of the tool not active	Working on this, but not clearly with any progress	Strength of the practice in the classroom
<p><b>2.1 Language Development Integrated with Content — in and across the Curriculum:</b> e.g.,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Curriculum is interdisciplinary and engaging, fostering student's language development through thematic units.</li> <li>Curriculum is standards-based, learning is grounded in the standards-based curriculum.</li> <li>Curriculum is integrated throughout the day (Integrated ELA/ELD, social studies, science, and the arts) and organized thematically with interconnectivity related to language development.</li> <li>There are language targets and content goals/ objectives to ensure curricular units are responsive to students' linguistic and academic needs.</li> <li>Language and content objectives guide planning—and include the use of ELD standards to plan differentiated performance tasks and activities.</li> <li>Strategies match the text types being studied and align with writing goals.</li> <li>Differentiated ELD is planned in response to student need and/or in preparation for the language demands of the academic content being studied.</li> <li>Developing language awareness is an overarching focus for all instruction.</li> </ul>				
<p><b>2.2 Active Engagement/Critical Thinking and Inquiry-Based Learning:</b> e.g.,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Language is developed through hands-on, highly engaging content that is appropriate for students' cognitive and linguistic abilities.</li> <li>Classrooms align with language—students are USING language to engage with the content being studied, and for multiple purposes, which are made explicit by the teacher.</li> <li>Teacher uses a variety of questioning—but always includes a open-ended, high-level, critical thinking questions.</li> <li>Teacher values and rewards curiosity and innovation by encouraging students to question and investigate/research topics—and provides ways for students to contribute to classroom learning.</li> <li>Students are invited to go beyond things up to topics to pursue answers to their questions.</li> <li>Class activities engage students in sharing work and gathering feedback from peers.</li> <li>The teacher engages meaningful project-based and inquiry-based research and homework.</li> </ul>				

