The goal of EL instruction in the Osseo Area Schools is to support English learners in achieving the English language proficiency needed to succeed academically and to realize personal, social, and career goals. EL teachers work in collaboration with both general education and specialist teachers to design a comprehensive instructional program for each student. EL teachers review data throughout the school year to determine how a student progresses through the EL program.

**Overview of the EL Program at the Middle School Level**

Students who are eligible for EL services are assigned an EL level (1-5) based on a language assessment. EL teachers provide supplemental English language development instruction for all students at levels 1-5. They also collaborate with content-area teachers in core subject areas to provide access to grade-level academic content and support English language development for students.

| EL Level 5: Bridging | • EL Academic Skills: support class for English, Social Studies and/or Science as needed  
| | • Co-taught classes as needed in English, Social Studies, and/or Science  
| | --Students take all required courses and electives. |
| EL Level 4: Expanding | • English Language Development 4 AND/OR  
| | • EL Academic Skills: support class for English, Social Studies and/or Science  
| | • Co-taught classes as needed in English, Social Studies, and/or Science  
| | --Students take all required courses and electives. |
| EL Level 3: Developing | • English Language Development 3 AND/OR  
| | • EL Academic Skills: support class for Social Studies and Science  
| | • Co-taught English class  
| | • Co-taught Science and/or Social Studies classes  
| | --Students take all required courses and electives. |
| EL Level 2: Emerging | • English Language Development 2  
| | • EL Language Through Content: Science 2  
| | • EL Language Through Content: Social Studies 2  
| | • EL Read 180, Reading Lab or EL Supported Study as needed  
| | -- General education classes in Math, Art, Choir, FACS, Tech Ed., and Physical Ed.  
| | --Postpone grade-level English, Social Studies, and Science courses. |
| EL Level 1: Entering | • English Language Development 1  
| | • EL Language Through Content: Science 1  
| | • EL Language Through Content: Social Studies 1  
| | • EL Supported Study or electives  
| | --General Education classes in Math, Art, Choir, FACS, Tech Ed., and Physical Education  
| | --Postpone grade-level English, Social Studies, and Science courses. |

*Course offerings may vary slightly from one school to another.*

Co-teaching support is provided based on needs of students and staff capacity.

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