

**Jefferson Community School**  
**ELL Level 1 Class Syllabus, Second Semester**

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**What is the ELL Level 1 class about?**

English Language Learning Level 1 is a class to help students succeed in their other academic classes by improving their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. The class focuses on academic language development in all subject areas.

**What are the standards for ELL Level 1?**

WIDA Standard 1: Social and Instructional Language

WIDA Standard 2: The Language of Language Arts

WIDA Standard 3: The Language of Math

WIDA Standard 4: The Language of Science

WIDA Standard 5: The Language of Social Studies

**What units are covered in ELL Level 1?**

This semester we will cover the following big topics: the United States, health, life science, and math. Each unit will include learning targets focused on vocabulary, listening and speaking, grammar, reading strategies, and writing assignments.

<b>Months</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Oxford Picture Dictionary Content Areas Writing Assignments</b>
January and February	The United States	American Symbols
February and March	Health	Nutrition
April and May	Life Science	Ecosystems
May and June	Math	Basic Math

**What materials are required for ELL Level 1?**

<b>Student brings:</b>	<b>Teacher provides:</b>
pencil or pen, planner	textbooks, workbooks, leveled books, journals, paper, scissors, glue, markers, colored pencils, highlighters, and index cards.

**How is ELL Level 1 graded?**

Students receive academic grades for participation and classwork related to learning targets. Students also receive citizenship grades based on cooperation, assertion, responsibility, empathy, and self-regulation (CARES).

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Listening/Speaking: 25%</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listening practice</li> <li>• Speaking practice</li> <li>• Working with a partner or in groups</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Writing: 50%</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing capstone assignments</li> <li>• Planning and revising work</li> <li>• Completing workbook pages</li> <li>• Working on other activities or projects</li> <li>• Writing learning targets</li> <li>• Completing do nows</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reading: 25%</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading to the class</li> <li>• Reading independently</li> <li>• Showing knowledge of readings</li> </ul>	

**Academic Grade Scale: Learning Targets**

<b>4 Expert</b>	<b>3 Master</b>	<b>2 Apprentice</b>	<b>1 Novice</b>
Can teach learning targets to others  Demonstrates multiple ways of understanding	Can complete learning targets independently  Demonstrates understanding	Can complete learning targets with assistance  Demonstrates some understanding	Is unable to complete learning targets yet  Demonstrates little understanding

**Citizenship Grade Scale: CARES**

<b>4 Expert</b>	<b>3 Master</b>	<b>2 Apprentice</b>	<b>1 Novice</b>
Can teach CARES to others  Demonstrates CARES all of the time	Is able to show CARES independently  Demonstrates CARES most of the time	Is able to show CARES with assistance  Demonstrates CARES some of the time	Is unable to show CARES yet  Demonstrates CARES infrequently

**How can I revise, retake or re-do work in ELL Level 2?**

Students may revise, retake or re-do work any time before the end of the current quarter. Depending on the work, students may take it home to complete or may come in before school or during recess. There will also be time in class for students to revise, retake and re-do work.