

Glossary of Terms

BCLAD: Bilingual Cross-cultural, Language and Academic Development Certificate. Certification required for teaching Altern7y

*Highlights of the
Secondary
Subject Matter
Bilingual
Program
(English/Spanish)*

Program Description

The Transitional Bilingual Program uses Spanish language instruction to ensure English learners meet or exceed grade level standards while they are learning English. It develops literacy in Spanish as a foundation for English reading. Students learn English through English Language Development (ELD) and Specially-Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE). As students learn English, the amount of Spanish instruction is decreased.

Target Population

English learners (EL) from the same language background, whose parents have requested a bilingual program with a Parental Exception

Components of the Program

- Daily English Language Development (ELD) instruction targeted for English learners at their proficiency levels.
- Spanish language instruction in content areas
- Specially-Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE) teaching replaces Spanish language instruction as students learn English
- Family involvement (for example, participation in English Learners Advisory Council and support for learning at home)
- Teachers have the Bilingual Cross-Cultural , Language and Academic Development (BCLAD) Certificate or equivalent

(Please see Glossary of Terms on the back of this brochure)