



Desert Sands Charter High School

# ELAC

## ENGLISH LEARNERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Thursday , May 20th, 2021**

**4:00 PM**

### Agenda

1. Call to Order and Welcome
2. Purpose of the ELAC
3. Distance Learning Updates
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COMITÉ CONSEJERO DE PADRES DE ESTUDIANTES APRENDICES DE INGLÉS

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1. Convocatoria y bienvenida
2. Presentación del propósito de ELAC
3. Actualizaciones al modelo de estudio distanciado
4. Noticias sobre la examinación ELPAC
5. 2020-2021 ELL logros
6. ELAC metas para el siguiente año escolar
7. Evaluación de necesidades en la escuela
8. Sugerencias a ser ofrecidas a la escuela
9. Preguntas/comentarios

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## ENGLISH LEARNER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

### ELAC - Fourth Quarter Meeting

School: Desert Sands Charter High School

Date: May 20th, 2021

<b>Date Completed</b>	
September 10th, 2020	1. Election of members
December 15, 2020	2. Training of members on their responsibilities
September 10th, 2020	3. Completion of the School's Needs Assessment
December 17, 2020	4. Parents review and comment on programs and services for English Learners
May 20th, 2021	5. Recommended actions to support regular school attendance
August 11th and 13th, 2020	6. Advise the PAC and the LCAP and LCP

## Meeting Attendees

- Olga Melikova - ELD Lead
- Chris DeLoach - Administrator
- Maria Garcia - ELL Parent
- Elizabeth Scott - non ELL Parent
- David Scott - non ELL Student
- Melissa Valle - ELL Student
- Kristy Flores - non Student
- Cecilia Martinez - ELL Parent
- Daniel Martinez - ELL Student

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## Committee Officers

<b>President</b>	<b>Diana Quintero (ELL Parent)</b> (323) 561-7353 diana.quintero1@outlook.com
<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>Natalya Boffman (adult ELL student) -</b> natalya.boffman.113954@dschs.school <b>(STUDENT GRADUATED)</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Luz Covarrubias (ELL Parent)</b> (661) 349-3449 Luzcovarrubias06@gmail.com

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Meeting Called to Order**

Meeting was called to order 4:05 by Mrs. Melikova (A Quorum Was Not Reached). Meeting will proceed despite not having the quorum to share updates with families that joined the meeting.

### **Welcome and Introduction**

Mrs. Melikova went over introductions of participants. It was established that an interpreter is needed, Melikova is translating text into Spanish as the meeting is going. The meeting Agenda was reviewed.

### **Purpose of the ELAC**

Mrs. Melikova went over the meaning and purpose of the ELAC Meeting. She also covered the school mission and vision statements with the participants. The purpose of the ELAC was reviewed also.

### **Distance Learning Updates**

The Distance Learning Updates were provided by ELD Lead. Info covered: Center hours, counseling, tech availability, process of turning in work

### **ELPAC Testing and Reclassification**

ELPAC Testing/Reclassification Updates were covered, including the Deadline of testing all students on the roster by 6/30. ELD Lead also went over the timeframe of reclassification in

the Fall. She also mentioned that ELPAC scores will be sent home early in the Fall semester of the 2021-2022 school year.

### **2020-2021 School Achievements**

2020-2021 ELL Achievements: 90% of our students tested. 100% of Lancaster students reclassified

### **ELAC Goals for next School Year**

The ELAC goals for next school year (2021-2022) were covered. These include:  
Increase engagement, acquire full time officers

### **Needs Assessment Survey Review**

ELD Lead reviewed the results from the Winter Needs Assessment Survey. See chart shared with the committee below:

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**Advice by committee to be submitted to the school**

Participants (parents and students) were asked to share any input, ideas, comments, feedback that they have with the school on the ELL services and programs at our school. These are the results of the inquiry:

- Parents feel everything is going well. Parents feel we are doing an excellent job.
- Would like support in finding a job. A parent shared that they would like the school to help students with finding jobs outside of school.
- A student and parent shared that they hope the school will offer more in-person classes in the future.

**Questions/Comments**

None.

**Adjournment: 4:28 PM**



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# English Learner Advisory Committee

Summer 2021

May 20, 2021

4:00 PM

*Desert Sands Charter High School*

# Welcome!

Jenny Bonilla  
Principal

Dr. Christopher DeLoach  
AP

Olga Melikova  
ELD Lead





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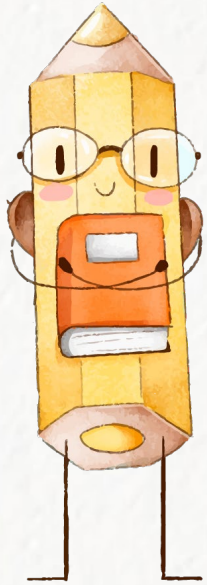


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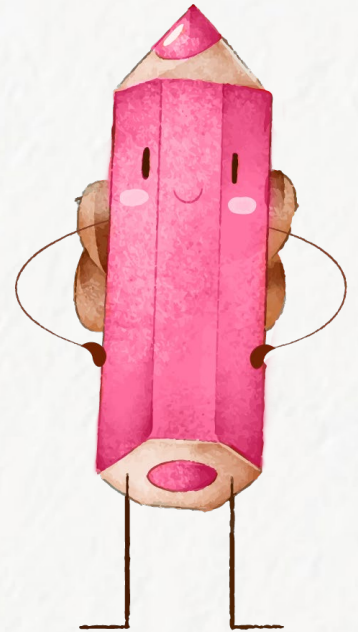
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# What is ELAC?

English Learner Advisory  
Committee (ELAC)  
is made up of parents of  
English Language Learners,  
teachers and may include  
administrative members at  
school sites.



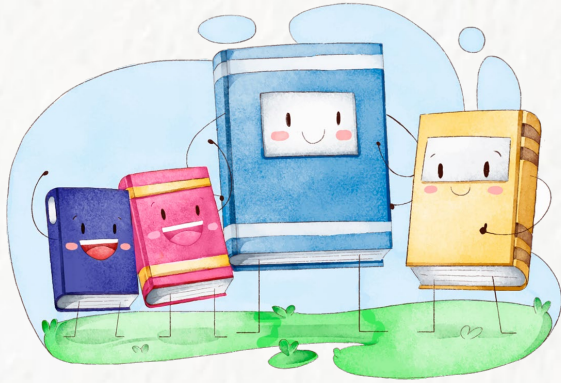


# MISSION and VISION

The Mission of Desert Sands is to provide personalized education to students seeking an alternative to traditional high school by working with each student to create an education plan that meets his/her academic, social and personal needs.

The vision of Desert Sands is to change the lives of students whose needs are not being met at a traditional school. Students will take responsibility for their education, recognize opportunities for personal growth and success, and graduate with the skills they need for college and/or a career.

# Purpose of ELAC



1) To advise the principal and school staff on programs and services for English Language Learners.

2) To facilitate a two -way communication system between the school and the community.

3) ELAC committee is required to meet (at least four times per year) to discuss/input on the legal advisement tasks mandated by state law.

4) This is the Desert Sands ELAC committee for school year 2020 -2021 and all parents/adult students are encouraged to actively participate.

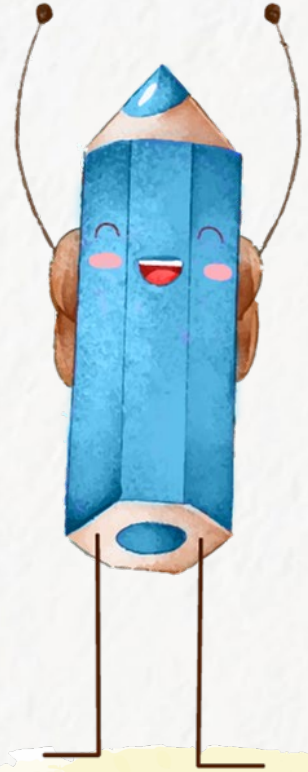
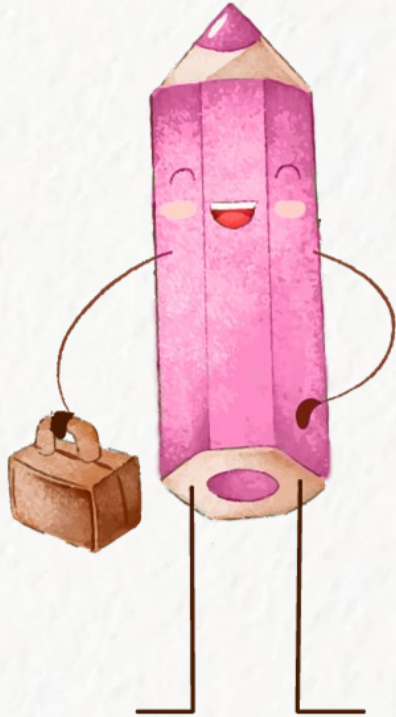


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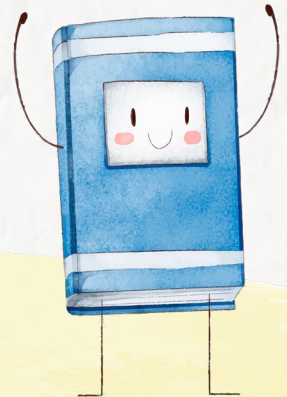
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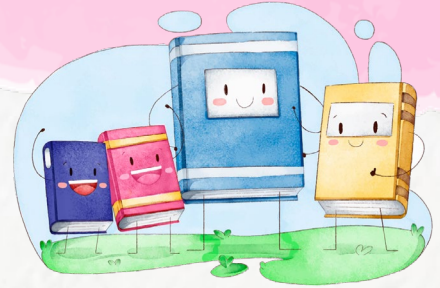


# Distance Learning Updates

1. Students are able to come in to school for an hour weekly to work with teachers and tutors.
2. Students can come more than 1 time per week if needed, with approval of teacher.
3. Counselor meetings and Student forum are still happening weekly
4. We have laptops and hotspots for families who need them.
5. We accept virtual and hard -copy work at the moment.

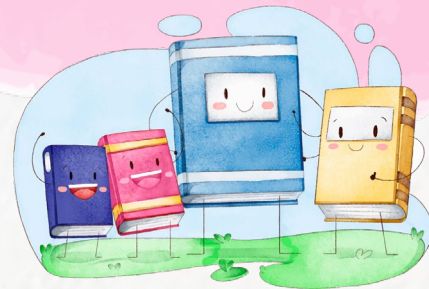


# ELPAC Testing and Reclassification



- **ELPAC Testing is happening now.**
  - **Deadline 6/30**
- **Scores will be sent to the school in the summer and will determine if students reclassify in the Fall.**
- **ELD Lead will schedule EL Students Success meetings in the Fall to update families on ELPAC scores and student progress.**

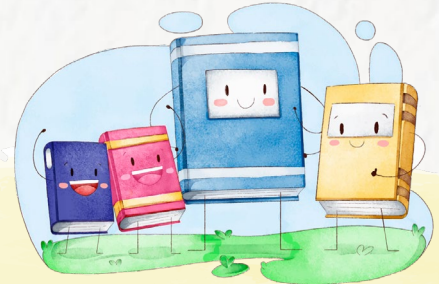
# 2020-2021 ELL Achievements



- **Lancaster Site: 88% ELPAC Test completion**  
(including students who withdrew)
- **Lancaster Site: 100% Reclassification of possible students for reclassification this year.**

# ELAC Goals for next School Year

- Increase parent and student engagement
- Acquire a full team of ELAC Advisors





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# Questions Comments







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