

TEMPORARY RESIDENTS PROGRAM

Fact sheet – English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EALD) education

If your child speaks a language other than English as their first language, learning English is essential for success at school and further education, training and employment.

The New South Wales Department of Education provides *English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D)* support to develop English language competence so your child can fully participate in schooling and independently pursue further education and training. The department provides EAL/D support in primary schools, high schools, Intensive English Centres (IECs) and the Intensive English High School (IEHS). The availability of EAL/D support varies between schools, depending on the number of EAL/D students enrolled.

Intensive English Centres (IEC)

The following is a list of Intensive English Centres located in the Sydney and Wollongong area:

Bankstown IEC

Antwerp Street, Bankstown
Ph 02 9796 8138
Host School: Bankstown Senior College
Email: Bankstownc-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Beverly Hills IEC

Melvin Street, North Beverly Hills
Ph 02 9533 1293
Host School: Beverly Hills Girls High School
Email: Beverlyhg-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Cabramatta IEC

Aladore Avenue, Cabramatta
Ph 02 9727 3562
Host School: Cabramatta High School
Email: Cabramatta-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Chatswood IEC

Centennial Avenue, Chatswood
Ph 02 9411 5288
Host School: Chatswood High School
Email: Chatswood-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Chester Hill IEC

Miller Road, Chester Hill
Ph 02 9645 3780
Host School: Chester Hill High School
Email: Chesterhil-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Evans IEC

Walters Road Blacktown
Ph 02 9622 1289
Host School: Evans High School
Email: Evans-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Fairfield IEC

The Horsley Drive, Fairfield
Ph 02 9724 6885
Host School: Fairfield High School
Email: Fairfield-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Holroyd IEC

7 Cumberland Road, Greystanes
Ph 02 9896 1172
Host School: Holroyd High School
Email: Holroyd-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Kogarah IEC

Regent Street, Kogarah
Ph 02 9587 0529
Host School: Kogarah High School
Email: Kogarah-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Lurnea IEC

Hillview Parade, Lurnea
Ph 02 9602 1858
Host School: Lurnea H High School
Email: Lurnea-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Marrickville IEC

Northcote Street, Marrickville
Ph 02 9550 0251
Host School: Marrickville High School
Email: Marrickvil-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Marsden IEC

Winbourne Street, West Ryde
Ph 02 9858 3440
Host School: Marsden High School
Email: Marsden-i.Admin@det.nsw.edu.au

Miller IEC

Cabramatta Avenue, Miller
Ph 02 9607 2751
Host School: Miller High School
Email: Miller-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Warrawong IEC

Cowper Street, Warrawong
Ph 02 4274 4346
Host School: Warrawong High School
Email: Warrawong-i.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Intensive English High School (IEHS)

The following is the Intensive English High School located in Sydney.

Central Sydney Intensive English High School

Corner of Park Road & Power Avenue, Alexandria

Ph: 02 9319 4806

Email: CentralSydneyIntensiveEnglishHS.School@det.nsw.edu.au

Newly arrived students

If your child recently arrived in Australia and is in the early stages of learning English, they may be eligible for short-term intensive English language support, either in their local school, an Intensive English Centre or Intensive English High School. Some temporary resident visas are not eligible for EAL/D support. Refer to the [Visa subclasses and enrolment conditions](#) fact sheet to determine eligibility.

Primary schools

If your child recently arrived in Australia and is primary school aged, they may apply to enrol in their local primary school. The primary school provides English language support. There is no primary school Intensive English Centre.

In certain cases, if your child is in Year 6 and 11 years of age by 31 July in the current year, they may be enrolled in an Intensive English Centre or Intensive English High School after term 1 in preparation for high school the following year. Refer to additional conditions applying to high school students for enrolment.

For more information on EAL/D support for your child, speak to your school principal.

Secondary schools

If your child recently arrived in Australia and is high school aged, they may apply to an Intensive English Centre or the Cleveland Street Intensive English High School. These centres provide short-term intensive English and high school preparation programs for students before they enrol in high school.

If your child is enrolling in a high school outside the Sydney metropolitan or Wollongong areas, where Intensive English Centres are not available, they may receive intensive English support at their local high school.

For more information on EAL/D support for your child, speak to your school principal.

Conditions

For high school aged children to be eligible for enrolment in an Intensive English Centre or Intensive English High School, the child must:

- apply for IEC/IEHS enrolment within the first six months of arriving in Australia.
- speak a language other than English as their first language and require intensive EAL/D tuition to enable them to participate in secondary education.
- have the intention to continue education in a government high school after the completion of the intensive English course.
- be a permanent resident or approved temporary resident. Refer to the [Visa subclasses and enrolment conditions](#) fact sheet to determine eligibility.

Community language programs

Some primary schools provide community language programs in over 30 languages spoken in the Australian community. These community language programs vary between schools, and the availability of particular languages depends on the number of students who wish to study them.

Some languages are also available for study in high schools, up to the Higher School Certificate level. High school students may also enrol in the Saturday School of Community Languages to study their home language if that language is not available at their school.

For more information, speak to your school principal.

Interpreting and translating services

Interpreting and translation services are available for parents and carers who do not speak or understand English. If you need interpreter assistance for a meeting about your child's education or welfare, please contact your child's school and ask them to arrange one for you.

You may also ring the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for a connection to the school.

Some Departmental publications have been translated into over 40 languages and are available on the Department of Education website. To access the translated documents, please visit education.nsw.gov.au/going-to-a-public-school/translated-documents.

Need more information

To find out more about the Temporary Residents Program, please visit deinternational.nsw.edu.au/trp or call our Customer Service Team on 1300 300 229 (then option 1).

To find out more about EAL/D support for your child, speak to your school principal.