

*Township of Ocean School District*

# **K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs**



#Spartanlegacy  
#multilingualspartans

## K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Goal

To utilize the tools and resources provided - tier one interventions, teacher coaches, mental health staff, student data, and intervention and acceleration resources - to help every student demonstrate meaningful academic growth.



# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Schools



## *OTHS - 62 Multilingual Learners*

- ESL Leveled Courses (pull out)
- ESL and ELA Co-teach
- ESL/Bilingual Push-in Social Studies, Math & Science



## *TOIS - 57 Multilingual Learners*

- ESL Leveled Courses (pull-out)
- ESL and Social Studies Co-teach
- Grade 5 - ESL Push-in ELA, Social Studies, Math & Science



# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Schools



## *OTES - 48 Multilingual Learners*

- ESL Classes by Grade Level (pull out)
- ESL Push-in in ELA



## *Wanamassa - 22 Multilingual Learners*

- ESL Classes by Grade Level (pull out)
- ESL Push-in in ELA & Math



## *Wayside - 58 Multilingual Learners*

- ESL Classes by Grade Level (pull out)
- ESL Push-in in ELA
- Bilingual Part-Time ELA & Math (push in)





# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Multilingual Spartans



## *Township of Ocean School District 2023-2024*

- Total Multilingual Learners (YTD) 248
- Total MLs with parent refusals\* 5 (0.02%)
- Total twice-exceptional\* MLs 30 (12%)
- Total Newcomer\* MLs 66 (27%)
- Total exits = 22
  - Met mid-year exit criteria = 10
  - Withdrew from the district = 12

\*Parents have the right to partially or fully refuse language support programs.

\*Twice-exceptional MLs participate in both language support programs and Special Education programs.

\*Newcomers are students who have been in the U.S. for less than 2 years.



# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Multilingual Spartans

*What languages do our ML Spartans speak at home?*

- ★ Total of Home Languages: **32**
- ★ **Top 4** Home Languages:
  - Spanish 125 (50%)
  - Portuguese 43 (17%)
  - Haitian Creole 21 (8%)
  - Arabic 19 (7%)

*What countries do our ML Spartans come from?*

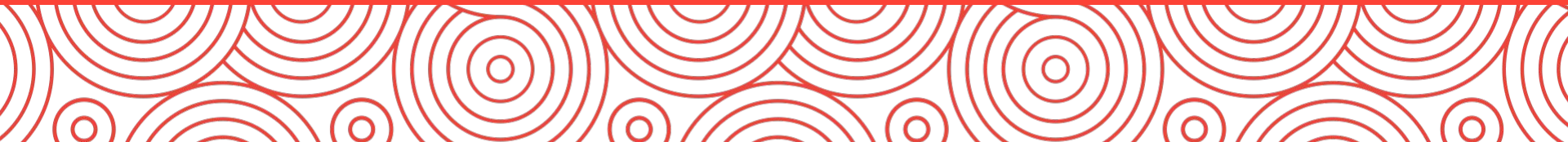
- ★ **United States: 102 (41%)**
- ★ Brazil: 20 (8%)
- ★ Haiti: 17 (7%)
- ★ Honduras: 13 (5%)
- ★ Colombia: 10 (4%)
- ★ Other: 87 (3.5%)





# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Multilingual Spartans

	<b>Total # of MLs new enrollment</b>	<b>Total # of MLs (EOY)</b>	<b>Total # of MLs who refused services</b>	<b>Total # of MLs who are twice-exceptional</b>	<b>Total # of Newcomer MLs</b>	<b>Total # of Exits</b> (Met Proficiency, Graduated or Withdrawn)
<b>2023-24 (YTD)</b>	64	248	5	30	66	22
<b>2022-23</b> (7/1/22-6/30/23)	72	201	5	28	35	33
<b>2021-22</b> (7/1/21-6/30/22)	80	173	5	25	16	38

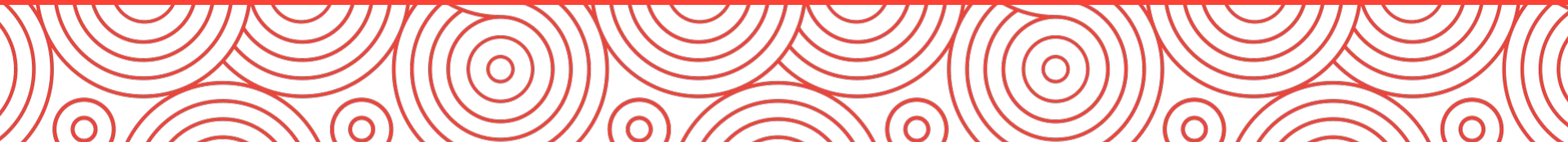




# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Newcomer Spartans

- **Foreign-born** students and their families who have **recently arrived** in the United States.
- People from around the world have immigrated to the United States **to start a new life**, bringing their customs, religions, and languages with them.
- The United States is, to a great extent, **a nation of immigrants**.
- Newcomers **play an important role in weaving our nation's social and economic fabric**, and U.S. schools play an important role in helping newcomers adapt and contribute as they integrate into American society.

**27%**  
**of our Multilingual Spartans**





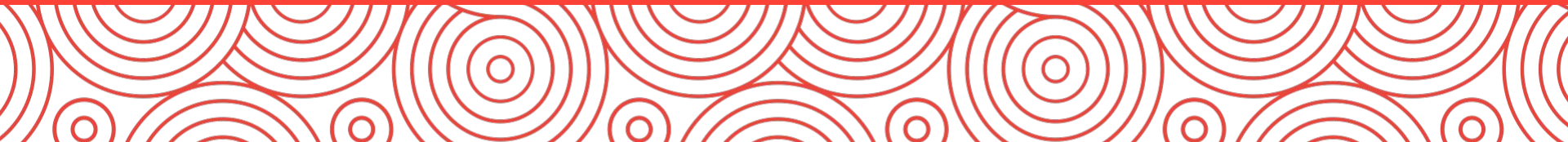


In order to achieve integration into American culture and society—and into American schools in particular—newcomer students and their families need myriad forms of support from multiple sources. **Newcomers and their families have four basic needs:**

1. A welcoming environment
2. High-quality academic programs designed to meet the academic and language development needs of newcomer students
3. Social emotional support and skills development to be successful in school and beyond
4. Encouragement and support to engage in the education process

# 27%

**of our Multilingual  
Spartans**



# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Team



- ★ 11 ESL certified educators district wide (K-12)
- ★ 1 Bilingual/Bicultural certified district wide (K-5)
- ★ 1 Bilingual Instructional Assistant (9-12)



# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Team, Beyond the Classroom



Two new grant-funded positions (23-24):

- ★ Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee Teacher Representatives (K-12)
  - K-4 Andrea Donner & Andrea Sodhi
  - 5-8 Enriqueta Duncan & Michaela Gemignani
  - 9-12 Liz White & Allison Connolly
- ★ 1 ML Community Outreach Coordinator
  - Heidi Costa





# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Team, Beyond the Classroom



**Fall 2023** - Parent Resource Fair

**Winter 2024** - Spartan Partners in Learning  
& Parent Video Library

**Spring 2024** - Game Night! & BPAC Meeting  
at Innovation Night


- ★ Community Partnerships with local agencies and organizations
- ★ Welcome packets for new registrants
- ★ OTHS Closet



## Instant Language Assistant (ILA):


- ★ 2 x building (including Central Office)
- ★ Over 100 languages (multiple dialects)
- ★ Text to Text translation
- ★ Text to Speech translation
- ★ Face to Face and Remote Access
- ★ Used at Main Office and to support CST, Guidance, SAC, and teachers reach our MLs and their families

# ILA



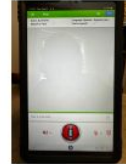
WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL!  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO COMMUNICATE WITH  
US IN A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH?

STEP 1 - CHOOSE YOUR PREFERRED LANGUAGE ON THE SCREEN




STEP 2 - WAIT FOR HOST TO JOIN

STEP 3 - CLICK & DO NOT RELEASE THE MICROPHONE ICON TO SPEAK



STEP 4 - RELEASE THE MICROPHONE



Logos for various languages and programs, including a red and white logo, the flag of the Philippines, the flag of Spain, the flag of the United Kingdom, the flag of Portugal, and a circular seal.



# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Team, Beyond the Classroom

It has come to my aid numerous times since receiving it and I might sound like a geek, but I am always excited to use it.

I definitely feel more confident knowing that I can speak with anyone, and that we will both be able to understand one another with ease. Phone calls can also be answered immediately, because we don't have to scour the school looking for an off-duty staff member.



Ms. Fornicola  
TOIS Main Office Secretary

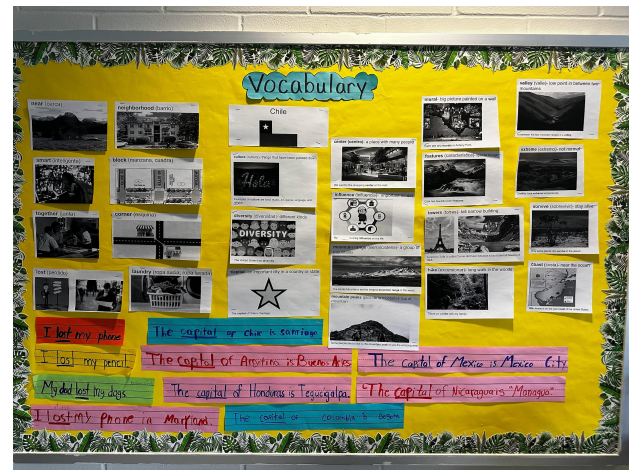


# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Our Educators



We are committed to building the capacity of all our Spartan Learning Community by:

- ★ **Implementing updated multi-tiered systems of support** and interventions tailored to foster access to instruction in general education settings for our MLs
- ★ **Leveraging data-driven protocols** to identify **linguistic and culturally assets** and needs of our MLs
- ★ **Cohorting of MLs** according to their participation in language instruction programs
- ★ Increasing of **collaborative partnerships** between ESL educators and general ed. educators





## Professional Development: Spartan ML Academy

- Full-day in service centered around MLL best practices
- K-12 Participants: Classroom teachers, Special Area teachers, CST, Guidance, Instructional Assistants, Interventionists, and Instructional Coaches.
- Topics:
  - Supporting ML Newcomers through Culturally Responsive Practices and Social-Emotional Learning
  - Twice-Exceptional MLs: Policy, Guidance, and Best Practices
  - ML Differentiation, Accommodations, and Assessment
  - Collaborative Practices
  - MLL Supports within Wonders and Envisions
- Presenters: K-12 Coaches, ESL teachers, and the Executive Director of NJTESOL/NJBE



## K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: Looking Ahead

- Develop staff capacity through Sheltered English Instruction (SEI) Training and Coaching
- Increase participation in Seal of Biliteracy
- Extend collaborative partnerships to all content areas
- Enhance scheduling
- Build community awareness and family engagement





# K-12 ESL & Bilingual Programs: A Celebration!



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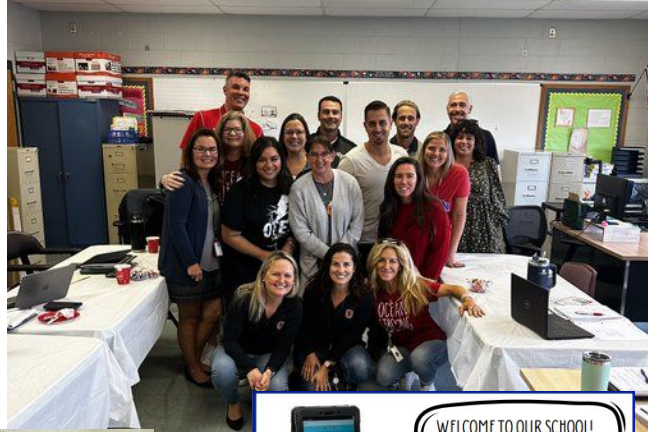
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🍁 Welcome to our Fall Newsletter!

To support our commitment to accelerating learning for all students, this seasonal newsletter shares resources and information on all things Multilingual Education!

"Culture, as it turns out, is the way that every brain makes sense of the world. That






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**Seal of Biliteracy**  
*Being Bilingual is a Superpower!*

**WHAT IS THE SEAL OF BILITERACY?**

The State Seal of Biliteracy provides employers and universities with a method of identifying bilingual candidates, students with 21st century skills, and those who have prioritized the study of other languages and cultures. For more information [click here.](#)

**Ready to register?**  
Scan the QR Code below

Reasons to sign up:

- It is **FREE**
- You can take the test **AT SCHOOL** during **SCHOOL HOURS**
- If you don't pass the test, it does **NOT** impact your GPA
- It provides you with an **additional recognition** on your transcript that supports any career path you take after graduation

