



**Rationale**

English as a Second Language is designed to provide additional help for students who require assistance in acquiring a foundation in the English language.

**Policy**

A school may offer a program of English as a Second Language if circumstances dictate.

**Regulation**

1. The local school is under no obligation to provide an E.S.L. program.
2. The local school Principal will determine the need for an E.S.L. program, and if required will provide the Local School Council with details outlining the time commitment and staffing.
3. A school E.S.L. program may vary in length and intensity depending on the student needs.
4. Written parental approval is required before students are registered in an E.S.L. program.
5. A user fee may be required for participation in an E.S.L. program.
6. The program may be either incorporated into the existing timetable or taught as an extra-curricular program.

Reference:	Approved
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Cross-reference:	Date(s) Revised: