English Language Learners & Literacy

The SIOP Model

The Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) Model is a research-based and validated instructional model that has proven effective in addressing the academic needs of English learners throughout the United States. The SIOP Model consists of eight interrelated components which includes teacher preparation, instructional indicators such as comprehensible input and the building of background knowledge. It comprises strategies for classroom organization and delivery of instruction.

Aligning WIDA Model Performance Indicators to Common Core Standards to Prepare EL Students for PARCC Assessment

Teachers will develop a multi-tiered task analysis aligned to Common Core State Standards and WIDA Model Performance Indicators (MPI); learning how to use the 2012 amplified WIDA MPI to plan lessons that will prepare EL students for the PARCC Assessment. The onsite staff development will train and coach all subject area teachers to analyze practical applications of strategies and techniques that will positively impact students’ learning process through an engaging interactive hands-on approach.

Effective Communication Between Classroom and EL Teachers; what information Classroom Teachers must know about their EL Students

Learn appropriate use of student data giving teachers and administrators access to accurate, timely student measures to help in diagnosis and meeting diverse student needs. Learn techniques to establish strong lines of communication with and between teachers and students. Foster shared beliefs and a sense of community and cooperation. Have well-defined beliefs that are shared with staff and demonstrate behavior consistent with those beliefs. Involve teachers in the design and implementation of important decisions and policies.

Effective EL Communication with EL Parents

Improve parental communication by increasing understanding of the conflicting value systems of the collectivist immigrant parents and the individualist teacher value system. Participants will learn how to combine their value system with their students’ parents’ value system to increase student productivity and achievement. Aligning WIDA Model Performance Indicators to Common Core Standards to Prepare ELL Students for PARCC Assessment.