

Chico Country Day School English Learner Reclassification Policy

Reclassification is the process whereby an English Learner is reclassified from EL to Fluent English Proficient (RFEP) student after meeting various linguistic and academic criteria set by the state and charter. Chico Country Day School has developed student reclassification policy and procedures based on criteria set forth by California Department of Education (CDE) guidelines. In general, students initially identified as English Learners (ELs) are reclassified as Fluent English Proficient when they meet the following criteria:

- 1. Performance on the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) is Overall Performance Level (PL) 4. Some EL students with unique needs, or dually-identified students, may need specific considerations for how this criterion is met as described in the student's individualized education plan (IEP). In such instances, members of the student's IEP team should confer to the IEP and discuss how the student's unique needs affect their ability to obtain an Overall PL 4. If a student with an IEP takes the Summative Alternative ELPAC test and receives Overall PL 3 the student is then eligible to be considered for reclassification in conjunction with the other three locally determined required reclassification criteria.
- 2. Teacher evaluation of academic performance in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- 3. Conference or phone call with parent/guardian

a. Notice to parents/guardians of language reclassification and placement, including a description of the reclassification process and the parent/guardian's opportunity to participate.

b. Encouragement of parent/guardian participation in the school's reclassification procedure, including seeking parent/guardian opinion and consultation during the reclassification process.

4. CAASPP assessment result score of "meeting standard" or "nearly met" and/or comparison of student performance in basic skills against the performance of English proficient students of the same age.

All English Learners who meet each of the Reclassification criteria will be Reclassified.