

**NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND (NCLB) FACT SHEET:
WHAT PARENTS OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS NEED TO KNOW**

Title III of the No Child Left Behind Act requires your child's school to inform you about your child's education as an English Language Learner (ELL). The school must inform you in an understandable manner and, to the extent practicable, in your native language.

You must be informed not later than 30 days after the beginning of the school year regarding your child's identification for placement in a language instruction educational program. Or, if your child is enrolled in the middle of the school year, not later than 2 weeks after your child's placement in such a program. You must be informed about the following:

- The reasons for your child's identification and eligibility for the program in which your child is being placed.
- Your child's level of English proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- The methods of instruction used by the school's staff with your child.
- How the program will meet your child's educational and academic needs.
- How the program will help your child learn English and meet age and grade level expectations.
- The specific student exit requirements from the program.
- If your child has disabilities, how the program will meet your child's educational needs.
- The expected transition rate from the program into the regular instruction programs.
- The expected graduation rate at the high school in which your child is enrolled.
- Your right to remove your child from the program.
- The availability of assistance provided to you by the school in explaining and selecting among the various programs and methods of instruction offered by the school.
- How you as a parent can be actively involved in the education of your child, including helping your child to a) learn English, b) achieve at high levels in core academic subjects, and c) meet the same challenging State academic content and academic standards expected of all students.
- If your child has failed to make progress in meeting annual measurable achievement objectives for any fiscal year, not later than 30 days after such failure occurs.

