

Quarter 1 Meeting Minutes | 2025–2026 School Year

Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025

Start Time: 5:30 PM

End Time: 6:06 PM

Facilitator: Mr. Eloy Pelayo

Translation Services: Spanish & Arabic provided

1. Welcome

- The meeting was called to order by facilitator Mr. Eloy Pelayo at 5:30 PM.
- The agenda was reviewed via Google Slides, and translation services were confirmed to ensure accessibility for families in Spanish and Arabic.

2. Introductions

- Facilitator: Mr. Eloy Pelayo.
- No official committee members are currently serving; participation is open to parents and community members.

3. Public Comments

- No public comments were made.

4. What is ELAC?

- The English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) is a parent advisory group that:
 - Advises the school and district on programs and services for English Learners.
 - Provides input on how funds for English Learner programs are spent.
 - Builds connections between families, staff, and the community to support student success.
- It was noted that:
 - The ELAC currently has no active members.
 - Membership is essential for ELAC to carry out its responsibilities.

5. Committee Membership

- An open call for volunteers was made.
- Families were encouraged to consider joining to represent the voice of English Learners and their parents.

6. Review of 2025–2026 ELAC Goals

- Goal 1: Increase Academic Performance.
 - Strategies under discussion:
 - Provide targeted tutoring and intervention opportunities for English Learners.
 - Increase access to credit recovery programs for students who are behind.
 - Strengthen collaboration between teachers and parents to monitor student progress.
 - Promote the use of NWEA data to identify areas of need and provide individualized support.
- Feedback requested from families and staff on the following:
 - How can we help students complete more credits?
 - How can we increase parent and community involvement?

7. NWEA Testing

- Subject Areas: Reading & Math.
- Testing Window: October 20 – November 14, 2025.
- Purpose:
 - Supports accurate course placement.
 - Measures academic growth over time.
 - Helps teachers and parents track progress toward goals.
- Families seeking additional information may contact their supervising teacher.

8. Reclassification

- Discussion Question: *What is reclassification, and how do students reclassify?*
- Reclassification is the process through which an English Learner is reclassified as fluent in English. This allows the student to exit the English Learner program and participate fully in mainstream academic instruction.
- Reclassification Requirements:
 - Achieving an overall score of 4 on the ELPAC assessment.
 - Earning a grade of C or better in English classes.
 - Meeting other academic benchmarks as determined by the district (such as teacher evaluation or state testing performance).

- Recognition: Reclassification Awards were presented by Mr. Thomas Browning to honor students who successfully reclassified.

9. Next Meeting

- Date: Wednesday, November 5, 2025
- Time: 6:00 PM

10. Adjournment

- The meeting concluded at 6:06 PM.