

PEP

Children and youth
do better
when their families
and
educators work
together
and build on the
strengths of
students and their
families.

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Parents as Educational Partners (PEP)

PEP is designed to empower language minority parents to become decision makers and advocates for their children's education.

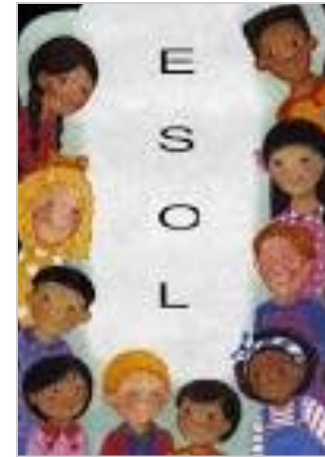
It targets parents of ESOL students grades K-12 of any language or cultural background.

It is free for all ESOL families and is offered in the fall and spring at multiple locations from 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m..

In Tazewell County we offer the PEP Program. It is a program developed for ESOL parents to help parents understand the school system and support their child's education.



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**Tazewell County
ESOL English
Speakers of Other
Languages**

***A Parent Outreach
Program
for ESOL Parents***

Tazewell County Public Schools ESOL Program

Tazewell County Public Schools has developed a comprehensive ESOL Program handbook. The program is designed to assist parents, teachers, principals, school testing coordinators, counselors, and other staff in meeting federal and state requirements. Also, the program will provide educational support to ELLs and guidance on specific ESOL program requirements and procedures in Tazewell County with the ultimate goal of student success.



Mission Statement

The mission of the Tazewell County's English for Speakers of Other Languages program is to equip ESOL students with the language skills they need to be socially and academically prepared to be successful students in the Tazewell County school division.



About our Program

The ESOL program provides students with the opportunity to reach proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing as measured on the World Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) English language proficiency assessment, the Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS) for English Language Learners. In addition, Tazewell County must also comply with the federal requirements under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) amended as the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* (NCLB). One of the five performance goals of NCLB requires LEP students to become proficient in English while reaching high academic achievement standards in reading/language arts, mathematics, and science. NCLB also requires that LEP students participate in annual academic achievement

assessments in reading/language arts, mathematics, and science.

The ESOL program addresses these goals through several approaches. These program components have been designed with the student's grade and proficiency level in mind, along with recommended best practices and scientific based research. Each school uses several types of service delivery, along with specific teaching strategies by the ESOL teacher, paraprofessionals and classroom/core content teachers.

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