



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

English Language Learner Authorizations for Teachers

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California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)

- www.ctc.ca.gov
- California has rigorous requirements (more so than in other states) in terms of receiving a teaching credential
- One main requirement is the English Language (EL) Authorization.



Types of EL Authorizations

- Embedded in Credential – July 1, 2002
- Embedded for Sped – July 1, 2006
- Cross-cultural, Language, and Academic Development (CLAD)
- BCLAD – bilingual CLAD (authorized to teach in target language)
- Certificate of Staff Development
- Emergency CLAD



CLAD (Cross-cultural, Language, and Academic Development)

- Successful completion of coursework through a CTC approved California Teachers of English Learners (CTEL) program
- Passing of (CTEL) exams
 - CTEL 1: Language and Language Development
 - CTEL 2: Assessment and Instruction
 - CTEL 3: Culture and Inclusion
- Combination of the above



BCLAD

- Same requirements as CLAD and...
- Passage of three CSET exams
 - Language and Communication (Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing)
 - Bilingual Education and Bilingualism
 - Geographic, Historical, Sociopolitical, and Sociocultural Context
- Offered in Spanish and a wide variety of other languages
- *Required of immersion teachers*



Certificate of Staff Development

- Complete 45 clock hours in a CTC approved staff development program

OR

- graduate level coursework in methods of providing SDAIE (Specially Designed Academic Instruction Delivered in English) to English learners



Teachers prepared outside California

- Must complete CLAD requirements to get “clear” California credential. They must apply for an “Emergency CLAD” while they work on their CLAD.



Emergency CLAD

- Must be requested by school district
- Allows qualified candidates to be employed while they complete requirements for CLAD
- Valid for one year
- May be renewed a maximum of two times – must show progress toward completing the requirements in order to get a renewal.



Currently in SMMUSD (as of November 2019)

- 3 teachers have completed requirements and are in the process of getting their CLAD
- 12 teachers have an emergency CLAD
- 5 teachers do not have their EL authorization and we are working with them
 - 3 need to apply for another emergency CLAD
 - 1 is complicated from out of state
 - 1 completed the requirement several years ago; looking for paperwork



Human Resources Plan

- Monitor expiration dates of Emergency CLAD
- Require all new hires without CLAD to apply for an emergency
- Make principals aware so that students who are EL are not placed in these teachers classes
- Suggestions/Input?