



WIDA MODEL TESTING & ELS PROGRESS REPORT

Student language growth will continue to be monitored using the WIDA assessment tool. At the end of each semester WIDA tests will be offered to all students in the ELS program to progress monitor.

In addition, a separate ELS progress report will be issued to provide tools and resources for parents and tutors to support language learning at home. The rubrics on the report card is based on WIDA can-do-descriptors and it will include specific details on how the student is currently performing, as well as what they need to improve to reach the next WIDA level.



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Our ELS Department is committed to providing comprehensive help for students to gain the language skills required to thrive at YHIS.

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ADVANCEMENT & GRADUATION

At the end of each semester, all the ELS students will be given the WIDA test and if they have demonstrated sufficient English proficiency, students in the Bridge program can join their mainstream class with the help of a Push-in teacher or graduate from the ELS support program.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Students in Bridge program will need to score 3.0 or higher to enter Pull-out program.
- Students in Pull-out program will need to score 4.9 or higher to enter Push-in program.
- When the students score 5.0 or higher, final decisions of graduation will be made after reviewing their MAP score and homeroom /subject teachers' recommendation.

COSTS:

Additional fee of 5000RMB for students who need English Language Support services. Students who have graduated from the ELS program at the end of the first semester are eligible for a 50% refund.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

OUR SERVICE

Yantai Huasheng International School is committed to excellence and believes all students can reach their highest potential through a quality education program.

Therefore, our English Language Support (ELS) Department works diligently to ensure that all students are offered the proper English support to succeed

We celebrate that many of our students are doing something unique and challenging by receiving an education in a non-native language!



THE ELS PROGRAM

Upon entry to YHIS, each student is given the WIDA MODEL English proficiency test, which assesses the student's academic language proficiency in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Our ELS Department uses these WIDA scores and the students' academic records to determine the appropriate level of support to offer each student when they begin at YHIS. Currently, there are 3 language support programs offered by ELS Department which are listed below.

1 BRIDGE PROGRAM G. 3-8 (WIDA 1.0 - 2.9)

- Students are pulled out of specific classes to receive the same content taught in the classroom, but with our ELS teachers who who teach content and English language at the same time.
- The student will attend intensive English learning class in lieu of Chinese language classes.
- Teachers will provide semi-annual progress monitoring.

2 PULL-OUT PROGRAM G. 1-10 (WIDA 3.0 - 4.9)

- Our professional ELS teachers join the classroom (push-in) to assist students in need of additional language assistance during specific classes.
- The student will attend additional intensive English learning class in lieu of Chinese language classes.
- Teachers will provide semi-annual progress monitoring.

3 PUSH-IN PROGRAM G. 1-10 (WIDA 3.0 - 4.9)

Students receive additional English support from our ELS teachers in their mainstream classes. Students attend Chinese language classes with their classmates.

ASSESSMENT METHODS

The students will be assessed on academic language proficiency in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking in accordance with the WIDA MODEL test

After the students have taken the WIDA MODEL test, they will receive an overall score between 1.0 to 6.0. The scores are based on all four domains (Listening, Reading, Speaking, Writing).

