

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
INSTRUCTION & INTERVENTIONS

ACTION
REQUIRED

July 16, 2013

TO: Principals

FROM: Marie Wright, Ph.D., Executive Director
Instruction & Interventions Department

VIA: Desmond Blackburn, Ph.D.
Chief School Performance and Accountability Officer

SUBJECT: **REVISED ESOL INSTRUCTIONAL MATRIX, ADDENDUM AND
LANGUAGE CLASSIFICATION DESCRIPTORS**

Action:

Effective **August 1, 2013**, the ESOL Department has revised the ESOL Instructional Strategies Matrix, Addendum, and Language Classification Descriptors. Please forward the attached ESOL Instructional Strategies Matrix to all pertinent staff. The new Addendum and Language Classification Descriptors, can be accessed on the ESOL Department website at <http://esol.browardschools.com>

Rationale:

The ESOL Instructional Strategies Matrix has been reorganized to include additional CCSS strategies that can benefit English Language Learners (ELLs) during instruction. The Addendum outlines key principles for teaching ELLs and explains each strategy as well as best practices for implementation. In order to support teachers in making content comprehensible at all stages of language development, the Language Classification Descriptors document provides a framework for ELLs' receptive (listening/reading) and productive (speaking/writing) skills as they relate to the speech functions required by the CCSS. Language Classification Descriptors are available for elementary and secondary teachers of ELLs.

If you have any questions or need any further information, contact **Samantha Uribe**, samantha.uribe@browardschools.com, ESOL Educational Specialist, at 754-321-2981.

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Attachment

cc: Senior Leadership Team
Jody Perry, Charter Schools Management/Support
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