



# 2018 ESL Course Codes



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# Objectives

The objectives of this webinar are to:

- Provide an overview of course codes
- Describe the reasons for new English as a Second Language (ESL) course codes for English learners (ELs)
- Review the new course codes and how they differ from the retired codes
- Explain how to use the new ESL codes
- Review a sample high school course progression

# Course Codes

- Course codes are developed to document the standards and expectations for a given course.
- Course codes are used for:
  - BEP funding allocations
  - Assessment
  - Data and research
  - Instruction
  - Awarding credits
  - Audit purposes
  - Graduation requirements

# Course Codes

- The 2018-19 correlation of course code document contains:

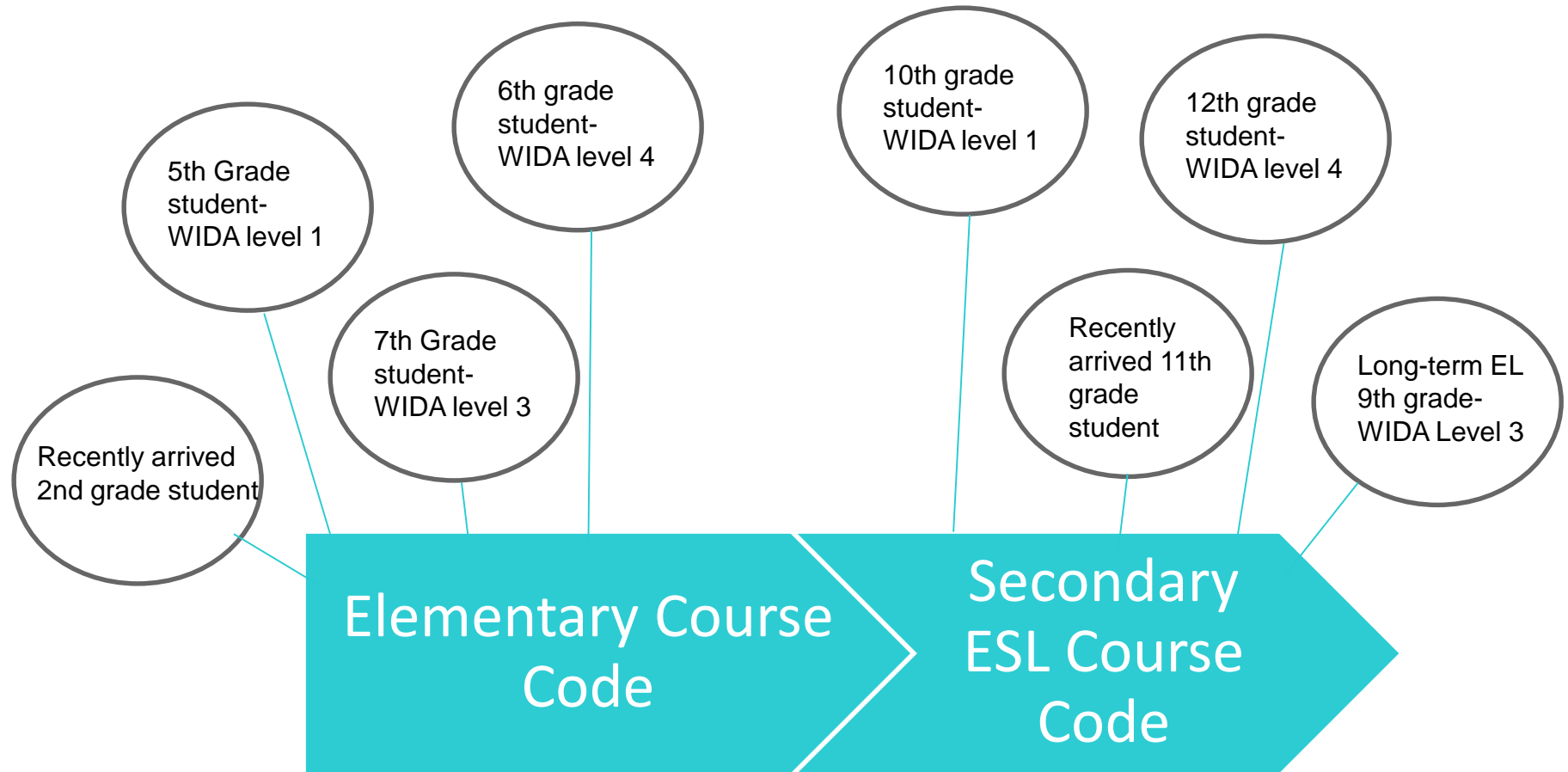
Course Status Compared to 2017-18	Course Code	Course Title	Course Name Abbrev.	Course Meets Graduation Requirements	Grades Served	Endorsement Codes	Notes
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<https://www.tn.gov/education/lea-operations/correlations-of-course-and-endorsement-codes.html>

# Why is this important?

- All Means All –
  - As a state, we are committed to the success of **all** students. Our work in this area involves providing individualized support and opportunities for all students, with a specific focus on those who are furthest behind.
- Equity –
  - Students must develop English language skills to access rigorous, grade-level standards.
  - English proficiency is critical in preparing students for advanced coursework, work-based learning opportunities, and early postsecondary opportunities.

# Why are there new ESL course codes?



# What were the previous ESL course codes?

- Previously, there were only two codes available for ESL.
- The codes designated elementary or secondary ESL service.
  - No differentiation between expectations for different grade levels
- The same code was often used for multiple years for the same student – making it difficult to analyze a student's transcript



# What were the challenges with the previous course codes?

- The prior codes did not:
  - Relate to a specific grade level
  - Provide accurate data for student course placement and assessments
  - Ensure ELA grade-level standards were being used with ELs
  - Support the provisioning of ELA assessments for all ELs

# What are the benefits of the new course codes?

- The updated course codes ensure:
  - The ability to set the expectation for differentiation based on students' grade level.
  - All ELs are being exposed to TN English language arts standards and to WIDA English language development standards.
  - Accurate information is available for ordering assessments- All ELs are required to take their grade-level ELA TNReady Assessment
  - Accurate data is available for research and audit purposes.
  - Districts and schools have clear guidance on how ESL courses can be awarded credit and used as a graduation requirement.

# New ESL Codes

- The new ESL course codes go into effect for 2018-19.
- The new ESL course codes:
  - Are specific to grade levels
  - Begin with 63 and are all 4 digits between 6300 and 6316
  - Are taught by teachers holding specific teacher endorsements:
    - 301 – English as a Second Language
    - 490 – English as a Second Language pre-K-12

# Descriptions of ESL Course Codes

6300: Kindergarten

6301: 1st grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6302: 2nd grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6303: 3rd grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6304: 4th grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6305: 5th grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6306: 6th grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6307: 7th grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

6308: 8th grade, WIDA proficiency 1.0 to 3.4

For all of the elementary and middle school course codes, ELs must be enrolled in ELA and ESL simultaneously. Course codes may be used more than once if needed.

# Descriptions of ESL Course Codes

6309: 9th grade, WIDA proficiency 1 to 3.4

6310: 10th grade, WIDA proficiency 1 to 3.4

- ELD 9 (6309) and ELD 10 (6310) may count toward two (2) of the four (4) English credits required for graduation.
- ELs must then enroll in English I and/or English II in order to satisfy the federal requirement to take an ELA assessment in high school.
- These classes could be taken simultaneously or subsequently depending on the EL's level of proficiency.

6311: 11th grade, WIDA proficiency 1 to 3.4

6312: 12th grade, WIDA proficiency 1 to 3.4

- Courses that do not count towards the English graduation requirement may count toward the elective focus in humanities.
- Each ESL course counts for one credit hour.

# Descriptions of ESL Course Codes

6315: ELs must be enrolled in ELA and ESL simultaneously, WIDA proficiency 3.5 or higher, grades K-8

6316: ELs must be enrolled in ELA and ESL simultaneously, WIDA proficiency 3.5 or higher, grades 9-12

# Sample Course Progression: Beginning EL

	Course Code(s)	Credits Earned	Graduation Requirement	English Credit
9th Grade	6309 (ELD 9)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
10th Grade	6310 (ELD 10)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
11th Grade	6311 (ELD 11) 3001 (English I)	Humanities Elective- 1 ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English I
12th Grade	6312 (ELD 12) 3002 (English II)	Humanities Elective- 1 ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English II

# Sample Course Progression: Lower Intermediate Student

	Course Code(s)	Credits Earned	Graduation Requirement	English Credit
9th Grade	6309 (ELD 9)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
10th Grade	6310 (ELD 10)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
11th Grade	6311 (ELD 11) 3002 (English II)	Humanities Elective- 1 ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English II
12th Grade	3003 (English III)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English III



# Sample Course Progression: EL Exiting After 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

	Course Code	Credits Earned	Graduation Requirement	English Credit
9th Grade	6309 (ELD 9)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
10th Grade	6310 (ELD 10)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
11th Grade	3002 (English II)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English II
12th Grade	3003 (English III)	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English III

# Sample Course Progression: Advanced EL

	Course Code	Credits Earned	Graduation Requirement	English Credit
9th Grade	6316 (ESL 9-12)	Elective Humanities- 1	No	Students must be enrolled in English I
10th Grade	6316 (ESL 9-12)	Elective Humanities- 1	No	Students must be enrolled in English II
11th Grade	6316 (ESL 9-12)	Elective Humanities- 1	No	Students must be enrolled in English III
12th Grade	3005 (English IV)	ELA- 1	Yes	English IV

# Sample Course Progression: Beginner on a 5 year graduation path

	Course Code	Credits Earned	Graduation Requirement	English Credit
9th Grade	6309- ELD 9	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
10th Grade	6310- ELD 10	ELA- 1	Yes	Yes
11th Grade	6311- ELD 11	Elective Humanities- 1	No	No
12th Grade	6312- ELD 12	Humanities Elective- 1 ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English I
Additional Year	6316- ELD 9-12	Humanities Elective- 1 ELA- 1	Yes	Yes- English II

# Additional Information on Course Codes

- Starting in July 2018, if a retired course code is used in uploads to EIS, an error message will be received.
- EIS will no longer accept the retired course codes.
- Technical assistance will be provided by the ESL director, associate director, or the EIS staff.

# Questions?



- If additional questions arise, please contact:
  - EIS help desk:  
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