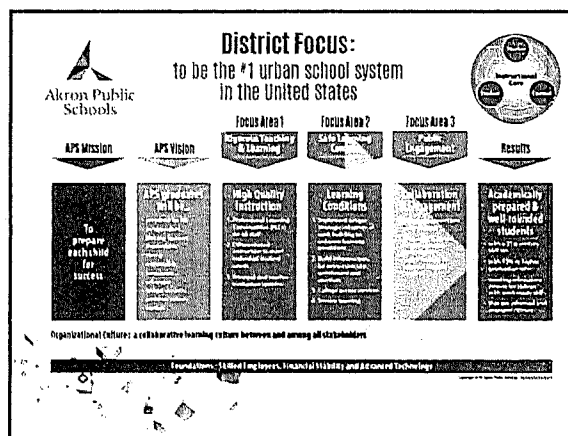
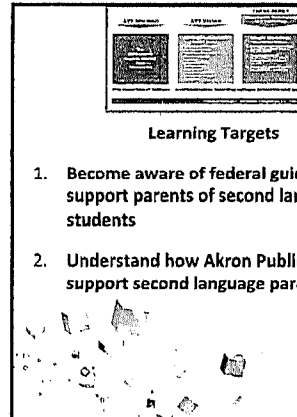

  
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**Focus Area 3**  
**Public Engagement**  
**Collaboration & Engagement**  
 1. Fostered connections with parents  
 2. Academic Success and Community Partnership  
 3. Support Services to support student success

**Acronyms**


EL: English Learner  
 EEOA: Equal Educational Opportunities Act  
 ESSA: Every Student Succeeds Act  
 LEA: Local Education Agency




**What Do We Know About English Learners (ELs) – US**

In 2014-2015,

- 4.8 million ELs enrolled in K-12
- Approximately, nine percent of all public school students
- Enrolled in 3 out of 4 public schools


  
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**What Do We Know About English Learners (ELs) – Ohio**

In 2015-2016,

- 50,000 ELs were enrolled in K-12
- Franklin, Cuyahoga, Hamilton, Butler, Summit
- Columbus City, Cleveland Municipal, South-Western, Cincinnati, and Dublin

  
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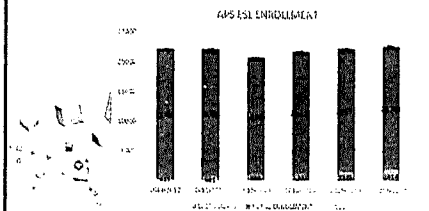
## What Do We Know About English Learners (ELs) – Akron

- 1,914 English Learners
- 7<sup>th</sup> highest EL district in Ohio
- Top 5 languages: Nepali, Arabic, Spanish, Karen, Burmese
- Languages: 42 languages including English
- Countries: 59 Countries including US



## EL Population Growth in Akron Public Schools 2011-2016

SCHOOL YEAR	EL STUDENTS	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	WELL
2011-2012	435	21,669	2%
2012-2013	661	21,398	3%
2013-2014	988	19,745	5%
2014-2015	1284	20,434	6%
2015-2016	1585	20,671	8%
2016-2017	1914	20,772	9%



## Schools' Civil Rights Obligations

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act 1964 and EEOA

- Parents have a right to receive information in a language that they can understand
- Schools must provide language assistance when requested
- For more guidance, click on this [link](#)



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## District Support

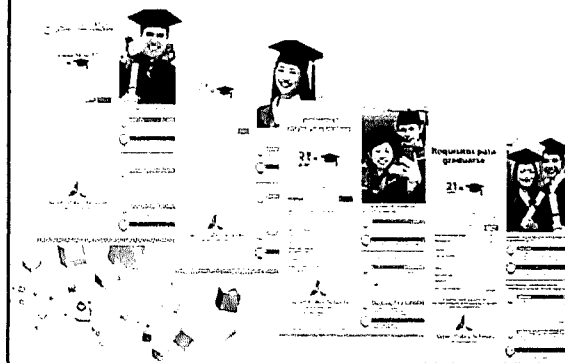
### Interpreters in the following languages:

- Farsi, Swahili, Pashto, Urdu, Kinyarwanda, Nepali, Karen, Spanish, Arabic, French, Dari, Turkish, Hindi, Bosnian, Bulgarian, Slovak, Albanian, Serbo-Croatian, Burmese, Vietnamese, and Hmong
- Provide oral and written translations

**Hub:** Many translated forms are available on the Hub under ESL Department (Curriculum and Instruction, Teaching and Learning, ESL)

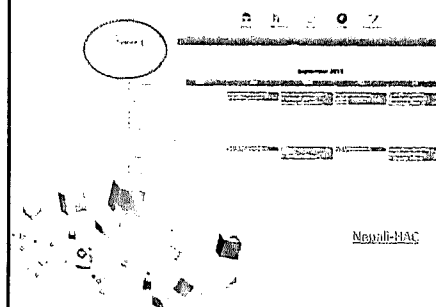


## Sample – Graduation Requirements



## Video – How to Access Home Access

- Calendar View
  - Shows which assignments are due on which day.




# No School – Multiple Languages

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## Other Translations

## Additional Supports

- Enrollment Form (video)
- Home Language Survey
- Turn Back the Clock
- Parent Letters
- LEP Letters
- Immunization Letters
- Medicaid Form
- Internet Consent Form
- Media Consent Form
- Standardized Meeting Invites and Reminders
- Interim Pick-ups/Open House Letters



## Building Overview Findley CLC

- 564 Students K-5
- 314 Students are EL's (56%)
- 97 of the EL students are first year enrolled in US school
- 13 Languages
  - English, Spanish, Arabic, Nepali, Burmese, Urdu, Dari, Farsi, Swahili, French, Pashto, Karen, Chin

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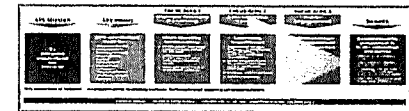
## Building Support

- 6 Full Time ESL Teachers
- Swahili Parent Liaison
- Full Time Counselor
- Full Time Dean of Students
- Monthly Parent Meetings with Interpreters
- Community Partnerships: Adopt-A-School
  - First Congregational Church of Hudson, LOVE Akron Network, Trinity UCC, North Hill Community House, Christ Child

## Building Support: Interpreter Schedule

FINDLEY CLC  
INTERPRETER SCHEDULE  
2015-2017

ARABIC	DR. ABDULATIF	MONDAY 6:30 – 2:00	
BURMESE & Karen	MS. TCHESA	TUES – FRI 8:15 – 2:45	
DAKI, FARSI & PASHTO	MS. ZANNAB	MONDAY & TUESDAY 8:30 – 1:40	
NEPALI	MS. SARASWATI	MON – THURS 8:15 – 2:45	
SPANISH	MS. DELIA	MON, TUE & THURS 8:30 – 2:30	WEDNESDAY 9:00 – 1:00
SWAHILI	MR. ERIC RUGENDABANGA	TUESDAY 8:30 – 1:40	
CHONDOLASE PARENT LIAISON	MR. KIRUBUTA	MONDAY 8:00 – 2:30	
		TUES & WED 8:30 – 1:00	
		THURS & – FRI 10:00 – 2:30	



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