

*Sample Program Description: Newcomer*

**Newcomer Program**

Program Description: The Newcomer Program is a short term program that teaches English and acculturation to U.S. schools, as well academic subjects. The Newcomer Program is for students who are recent immigrants to the United States, with limited English proficiency and limited education in their native countries. Students attend special classes separate from native English-speaking students for a limited period of time.

**Instructional Goals:** To develop English language competence and academic skills and prepare students to succeed in U.S. schools.

**Program Components:** You son/daughter will receive instruction in the areas checked:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reading and writing in English                            | <input type="checkbox"/> American history in English           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reading and writing in native language                    | <input type="checkbox"/> American history in native language   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Specialized instruction in English (ESL)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer education in English         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics in English                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer education in native language |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics in native language                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Health in English                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science in English  | <input type="checkbox"/> Health in native language             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies in English                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Driver's Education in English         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies in native language                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Driver's Education in native language |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History and culture of your country and the United States |  |

**Exit Procedures (Information in this section varies from district to district.)**

Students remain in the Newcomer Program for no more than \_\_\_\_\_ months. Most students leave the Newcomer Program before they are proficient in English. They transfer into another program to continue studying English and academic subjects. Our districts' expected rate of transition into the mainstream is \_\_\_\_\_ % annually.

The expected rate of graduation for high school in this program is \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Special Education Services**

For disabled students requiring specialized services, language instruction meets the objectives of the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP).

**Other Programs Offered at the School**

- Regular instruction for students who are fluent in English. Instruction is in English at all times. Native language is not used. No English as a Second language instruction is offered. The instructional goal is to meet grade appropriate academic achievement standards for grade promotion and graduation.
- Information about any other program offered may be attached.