

### **English Learner**

The Bismarck Public School system is committed to providing appropriate educational services to ensure all students learn. The District has a legal responsibility to provide equal educational opportunities, along with curricular, instructional, and other related services to ensure that all English Learners (EL) are equipped to participate effectively in the schools' educational programs.

To accomplish this, Bismarck Public Schools is committed to implementing the EL Plan, which details the procedural requirements and services provided to English Language Learners, including identification, assessment, registration, placement, and exit criteria. The plan shall include the instructional model chosen, method of developing Individualized Language Plans, and an assurance of a licensed and endorsed (EL or bilingual) teacher for assessment and instructional planning.

Bismarck Public Schools' EL Program ensures that EL services are provided and that all federal and state regulations regarding the education of English Learners are implemented. Bismarck Public Schools shall strive to create and maintain an EL Program that is consistent with best educational practices. The EL Plan will be monitored to ensure that it meets the needs of EL students.