

Nicolas Junior High School
English Learners Advisory Committee (ELAC)
MEETING MINUTES
September 29, 2021

- I. Call to Order** - Meeting was called by Interim Principal Kuuipo Koahou
- II. Welcome** -
 - A. Interim Principal: Kuuipo Koahou
 - B. Social Service Assistant: Elsa Garcia
 - C. Community Liaisons: Juan Fonseca, Abraham Garcia, and Alma Mata
- III. Hispanic Heritage Month** -
 - A. Integration of the Hispanic culture through education and arts throughout September until October 15. Different activities teachers are doing with students to learn more about the Hispanic culture.
- IV. ELAC Training** -
 - A. The goals of the EL programs at FSD is to develop English fluency, provide equal opportunities, and provide cross-cultural understanding and positive self-concepts. English learners take a yearly assessment to measure their proficiency. The ELPAC (English Language Proficiency Assessment for California) is taken by students in the Spring and determines where students need to improve in such as reading, writing, speaking and listening. At Nicolas Jr. High, there are plenty of opportunities and support available for students who need extra assistance. ELA and other teachers provide extra support for students as needed. Once students show proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening in English measured by the ELPAC, a mid-point score within the basic level on district ELA benchmark assessment, and teacher evaluation, the student will be reclassified as R-FEP (Reclassified Fluent English Proficient). ELAC is the advisory committee that advises administrators and staff on services for English learners, assists with the School Site Council and attends SSC meetings, assists with school and district needs, and assists with parent awareness.
- V. ELAC Nominations** -
 - A. Nominations of 2 representatives and 1 alternate representative. These representatives have to attend 4 Nicolas ELAC meetings and 4 DELAC meetings.
- VI. School Site Council** -
 - A. The School Site Council meeting will be October 20th. School Site Council representative is needed and will help in developing goals and actions for English Learners.
- VII. School Smarts by Alma Mata**
 - A. Engaging in fun interactive art activities with your students with this Parent Academy. Scheduled to roll out on Tuesday October 12 at the Nicolas MPR.

VIII. Principal Meet and Greet -

- A. Meet our new Principal, Mauricio Gormaz, on October 1, 2021 at 8:15AM at the Nicolas MPR.

IX. Next ELAC Meeting -

- A. October 27, 2021

X. Questions/Concerns

XI. Adjournment -

- A. Interim Principal Kuuipo Koahou adjourned meeting at 9:25AM.