



NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
Emergent Multilingual Learners Language Profile for
Prekindergarten Students¹

*Dear Parent or Guardian,
Thank you for completing the Emergent Multilingual Learners Language Profile. This survey will assist your new school with valuable information about your child's experience with languages. Information gathered will assist Prekindergarten educators in delivering academically and linguistically relevant instruction that strengthens the language and literacy of all students.*

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY ENROLLMENT OR SCHOOL PERSONNEL ONLY AND MAINTAINED ON FILE
Date Profile Completed:
Student Name:
Gender:
Date of Birth:
District or Community Based Organization Name:
Student ID (if applicable):
Name of Person Administering Profile:
Title:

Parent or Person in Parental Relation Information

Name of parent or person in parental relation:

Relationship (to student) of person providing information for this profile: ☐ mother ☐ father ☐ other _____

In what language(s) would you like to receive information from the school? ☐ English ☐ other home language:

Language in the Home

1. In what language(s) do you (parents or guardians) speak to your child at home?

2. What is/are the primary language(s) of each parent/guardian in your home? (List all that apply.)

3. Is there a caretaker in the home? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, what language(s) does the caretaker speak most frequently?

4. What language(s) does your child understand?

5. In what language(s) does your child speak with other people?

6. Does your child have siblings? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, in what language(s) do the children speak with each other most of the time?

7a. At what age did your child begin to speak in short sentences?

In what language?

7b. At what age did your child begin to speak in full sentences?

In what language?

8. In what language does your child pretend play?

9. How has your child learned English so far (television shows, siblings, childcare, etc.)?

Language Outside the Home/Family

10. Has your child attended any nursery, Head Start or childcare program? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, in what language was the program conducted?

In what language does your child interact with other people in the nursery or childcare setting?

11. How would you describe your child's language use with friends?

Language Goals

12. What are your language goals for your child? For example, do you want child to become proficient in more than one language?

13. Have you exposed your child to more than one language to ensure that he or she is bilingual or multilingual? ☐ yes ☐ no

14. Does your child need to speak a language other than English in order to communicate with your relatives or extended family?

☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, in what language(s)?

Emergent Literacy

15. Does your child have books at home or does he or she read books from the library?

In what language(s) are these books read to him or her?

16a. Can your child name any letters or sounds in English? ☐ yes ☐ no

16b. Can your child recognize letters or symbols in another language? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, in what language(s)?

17a. Does your child pretend to read? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unsure

If yes, in what language(s)?

17b. Does your child pretend to write? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unsure

If yes, in what language(s)?

18. Does your child tell the stories from his/her favorite books or videos? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, in what language(s)?

19. Does your child's childcare or nursery program describe goals for his or her learning? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, what goals do they describe?

20. Please describe anything special you did to prepare your child to begin Prekindergarten.

¹ For more information contact: the New York State Education Department Office of Early Learning at (518) 474-5807 or email OEL@nysed.gov or the New York State Education Department Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages at (518) 474-8775 or (718) 722-2445 or email OBEWL@nysed.gov.