

BILINGUAL STIPEND FAQs

1. Who qualifies for the Bilingual Stipend?

Teachers who meet the following requirements:

- Hold a valid bilingual certificate or permit if serving English Language Learners ELLs.
- Proficient in Spanish and English.
- Assigned to a self-contained classroom, with students who have been identified as ELL by the LPAC
- On teacher pay schedule and must have bilingual major duty code if serving ELL students.
- Assigned to the Bilingual Program from the beginning of the school year. If the teacher is assigned after the beginning of the school year or leaves before the end of the school year, a prorated amount will be paid according to the number of days the teacher is in the classroom providing native language instruction.
- Verifiable documentation through the ELL roster generated from Chancery for both elementary and secondary schools which show ELL students are served in appropriate program. If teacher and students are not on the roster, teacher will not be eligible.

2. Are there any exceptions to the above-mentioned requirements?

Teachers are not eligible for the Bilingual Stipend if the teacher received a first-year recruitment incentive.

3. How many hours of professional development do I have to earn to qualify to receive the Bilingual Stipend?

Teachers are required to complete at least 40 clock hours of PD.

4. Do Summer 2015 trainings count?

Trainings that are specific to the Bilingual teacher role and content area and are approved by your campus administrator qualify.

5. How much time do I have to complete the trainings to qualify for the Bilingual Stipend?

All professional development must be completed between July 1, 2015 and May 1, 2016 for the school year

6. Do I still have to attend more trainings after the 40 hours?

Dual Language teachers are required to complete the VIF Online Dual Language modules. Teachers at Passport campuses must complete the VIP Online Global Passport Training. These online trainings MAY count towards the 40 hours requirement for the Bilingual Stipend. In addition, all teachers who serve ELLs must take ML0302, Sheltered Instruction Part 1.

7. Where can I find a list of trainings that qualify for the Bilingual Stipend?

You can find a list of trainings to choose from here: <http://bit.ly/1Lwu67c> but keep in mind that other internal and external professional development in the area of English Language Learner (ELL) instruction pending campus administrator's approval MAY count. Any PD that increases your expertise as a bilingual teacher so that you are better equipped to serve your bilingual students MAY count. Trainings offered by the Multilingual Programs Department that are specific to the Bilingual teacher role and content area and are approved by your campus administrator also qualify.

8. Does Job Alike count towards the Bilingual Stipend?

Trainings that are specific to the Bilingual teacher role and content area and are approved by your campus administrator also qualify.

9. Do Dual Language trainings count towards the Bilingual Stipend?

Trainings that are specific to the Bilingual teacher role and content area and are approved by your campus administrator also qualify.

10. Can I take other trainings other than the ones listed?

Teachers may also seek other external or internal professional development in the area of English Language Learner (ELL) instruction that have campus administrator's approval. Any PD that increases your expertise as a bilingual teacher so that you are better equipped to serve your bilingual students MAY count with administrator approval.

11. How do I know which trainings I should take?

Bilingual Teachers must work with the campus principal or designated administrator to determine which courses to complete.

12. Why can't I find the trainings in the HUB or eTrain?

On the HUB, it is easier to find the courses via Keyword search. Use one of the words in the title of the course instead of the entire title to find it. On eTrain, please use the ML# to find the course.

13. Where can I find the VIF (Visiting International Faculty) trainings?

If you are a teacher at a Dual Language or Passport campus, you already have access to the VIF modules. Only teachers at Dual Language or Passport schools can access these trainings.

14. Which schools are Passport campuses?

Dual Language Elementary, Dual Language Early Childhood Centers, and Kolter are Passport campuses.

15. What happens if I already have 40 hours accumulated?

Ensure that you have training attendance documentation. In May, you must submit the documentation to your campus principal or designated administrator who will sign-off on your stipend. Payment will be approved by building principal and processed through the Multilingual Programs Department.