

# Adams 12 Five Star Schools

## Required ELL Professional Learning Series

*Adams 12 Five Star Schools offers all ELL professional learning that the Colorado Department of Education now requires for license renewal. **The 45 hours is required for all core content/grade level teachers and instructional coaches, although all educators are welcome to participate.** All core content/grade level teachers must complete all training within their first three years of employment (excluding the 2020-2021 school year, when professional learning was limited). If training is not completed within the required time frames, teachers are subject to non-renewal. Only ELL Essentials: Foundations is required for ALL certified staff.*

| Professional Learning Requirements for Core Content/Grade Level Teachers and Instructional Coaches  |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Year 1  |   |   |   |   |
| Training  | Dates   |   | Hours   |   |
| <b>ELL Essentials: Foundations</b><br><b>(Required for ALL certified staff)</b><br><i>(Sign up via <a href="#">PD Express</a> unless otherwise noted)</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● August 4th- Virtual (<i>SSS and Charter Staff- no PD Express sign up</i>)</li> <li>● August 5th- Virtual (<i>Induction/New to AD12- No PD Express sign up</i>)</li> <li>● October 28th</li> <li>● January 25th</li> <li>● March 8th</li> </ul> |   | 7.5   |   |
| <b>ELL Essentials: Comprehensibility</b><br><i>(Sign up via <a href="#">PD Express</a>)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● October 15th</li> <li>● February 18th</li> </ul>   |   | 4.5   |   |
| <b>ELL Essentials: Building Implementation- 2 Semesters</b> <i>(No sign up necessary)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● In buildings over 2 semesters</li> </ul>   |   | 9   |   |
| Year 2  |   |   |   |   |
| Training  | Dates   |   | Hours   |   |
| <b>ELL Essentials: Interaction and Production</b><br><i>(Sign up via <a href="#">PD Express</a>)</i>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● October 15th</li> <li>● February 18th</li> </ul>   |   | 4.5   |   |
| <b>ELL Essentials: Purposeful Planning 2 Half Days</b><br><i>(Sign up via <a href="#">PD Express</a>)</i>   | <u>Elementary</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● September 16th and 30th</li> <li>● November 4th and 18th</li> <li>● February 24th and March 15th</li> </ul>  | <u>Middle School</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● November 4th and 18th</li> <li>● January 20th and February 3rd</li> </ul> | <u>High School</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● September 16th and 30th</li> <li>● January 20th and February 3rd</li> </ul> | 8 |
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| Year 3  |   |   |   |   |
| Training  | Dates   |   | Hours   |   |
| <b>ELL Essentials: Content Literacy for Multilingual Learners</b><br><i>(Sign up via <a href="#">PD Express</a>)</i>                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● September 28th</li> <li>● October 26th</li> <li>● January 27th</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● February 15th</li> <li>● March 1st</li> </ul>  | 7.5   |   |

## Professional Learning Requirements for non-Core Content/Grade Level Certified Staff

### Year 1

| Training   | Dates   | Hours |
|--|---|-------|
| <b>ELL Essentials: Foundations</b><br><b>(Required for ALL certified staff)</b><br><i>(Sign up via <a href="#">PD Express</a>)</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● August 4th- Virtual <i>(SSS and Charter Staff- no PD Express sign up)</i></li> <li>● August 5th- Virtual <i>(Induction/New to AD12- No PD Express sign up)</i></li> <li>● October 28th</li> <li>● January 25th</li> <li>● March 8th</li> </ul> | 7.5   |

## Adams 12 ELL Professional Learning Series- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### Who is required to take the full Essentials series?

*All core content/grade level teachers and instructional coaches. This includes K-5 classroom teachers and teachers with one or more sections of ELA, Social Studies, Science, or Math on their teaching schedule, including special education teachers who teach replacement core content for students.*

### I am a content/grade level/ELD teacher with a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education endorsement from the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) or another state. Do I need to take the Adams 12 ELL Professional Learning series?

*You are only required to complete ELL Essentials: Foundations, ELL Essentials: Comprehensibility, and ELL Essentials: Interaction and Production if you have your CLDE endorsement from CDE. Endorsements from other states must be transferred to Colorado for you to be able to opt out of the professional learning series.*

### I am an elective teacher/SEL/counselor/dean, etc. Do I need to take the Adams 12 ELL Professional Learning Series?

*The only required training for non-core content/grade level teachers is ELL Essentials: Foundations. However, all are welcome to attend the full series. Important to note that if you have a core content/grade-level endorsement on your state license, you will be required to complete 45 hours of ELL professional learning for license renewal. Please contact Human Resources with any relicensure questions.*

### I am a special education teacher who teaches a special education section of ELA or Math. Do I need to take the Adams 12 ELL Professional Learning Series?

*If you are teaching any core content sections that replace a general education core content section, you do need to complete the professional learning series.*

### I was in Adams 12 previously and completed an ELL training. Do I need to take the training again?

*You will not need to complete the full 45 hours outlined in this document if you previously completed BOTH ELL Basic and ELL Advanced previously. You will need to refer to your PD Express transcript to ensure you have completed BOTH ELL Basic and ELL Advanced.*

### I completed the Basic and Advanced ELL training before PDExpress was in place in Adams 12. Do I need to take the Adams 12 Supporting ELLs Training?

*No, please send an email to Sara.Waldrip@adams12.org to clarify the situation and send supporting documentation (certificate of completion, transcripts, email communication from/to the ELL Department, etc.)*

### Is ELL Essentials: Purposeful Planning the same as ELL Advanced? I was told/have an email that says it's the same training.

*These are not the same trainings, although it may have been communicated differently before the most recent DOJ Agreement. Purposeful Planning is 8 hours and Advanced is 30 hours.*

### I completed ELL training in a previous district and/or I have ELD course/credits from a local or out-of-state college/university. Do I need to take the Adams 12 ELL Professional Learning Series?

*Yes, it is required if you are a core content/grade level teacher. The Adams 12 ELL Professional Learning Series incorporates elements that effectively support ELLs and includes aspects of identification, placement, redesignation, monitoring, and data collection, ELD supports in content areas, etc. that are specific to Adams 12.*

### What is the Building Implementation?

*The building implementation is a cycle of collaborative planning, observation, and feedback that provides teachers the chance to apply newly learned strategies in the classroom. Please work with your administrator to ensure you are involved in this implementation cycle for each of the 4 semesters.*

### Some of the Adams 12 ELL Essentials trainings indicate several sessions. Do I need to attend all of them?

*No, please register only for one session. Several options are provided so participants have choices. Purposeful Planning is two half day sessions; you are enrolled in both when you enroll in the course.*

### I have so much on my plate. What happens if I don't complete this training?

*It is important that all Adams 12 teachers have the tools and information to support English language learners in content*

*and language development. All core content/grade level teachers and instructional coaches must complete all trainings within the first 3 years of their hire date. Anyone who does not may be subject to non-renewal.*

**Can I do more than 1 year's worth of training in 1 year?**

*Although we recommend taking the full 3 years, you can choose to do more and finish earlier.*

**How do I know which trainings I've taken and still need to take?**

*You can go to Infinite Campus and pull your own report. Please see [instructions here](#).*

**How long do I have to get the 45 hours required by CDE for relicensure?**

*If you are a core content/grade level teacher, you must complete the training within 3 years as required by Adams 12. Please contact HR with all remaining relicensure questions.*