

## 2003-2004 English Language Learner (ELL) Accommodations

No Child Left Behind ('01) mandates that all students participate in statewide assessments.

All students are expected to achieve the same high standards in Tennessee. The State of Tennessee English Language Learners (ELL) Testing Policy states:

"The purpose for including our student population of English Language Learners in our Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program is to help ensure that children who are limited English proficient, including immigrant children and youth, attain English proficiency, develop high levels of academic attainment in English, and meet the same challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards as all children are expected to meet."

There are NO exemptions of ELL students from any State assessments.

ELL status must be determined by the IDEA Proficiency Test (IPT). A score of less than English Proficient on any subtest qualifies students as ELL. School districts must document and determine accommodations each year, based on individual needs and abilities.

Accommodation	TCAP Achievement	TCAP Competency	TCAP End-of-Course (EOC)/TCAP Gateway	TCAP Writing Assessment	Required Conditions for Accommodations
<b>Q Extended Time</b>	Time and a half per subtest	NOT APPLICABLE-Untimed	EOC - Time and a half per test Gateway – NOT APPLICABLE - Untimed	Time and a half	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ ELL, and</li> <li>➤ score as limited English proficient on IPT</li> </ul>
<b>R Bilingual Dictionary</b>	Not allowed for Language Arts, Reading, Spelling, Word Analysis and Vocabulary subtests	Not Allowed for Language Arts	Not Allowed for EOC English I and Gateway Language Arts	NOT ALLOWED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ ELL, and</li> <li>➤ score as limited English proficient on IPT</li> </ul>
<b>S Read Aloud in English Internal Test Instructions</b>	All subtests	May read aloud or use Audio only or Audio with test booklet	All tests	All tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ ELL, and</li> <li>➤ score as limited English proficient on IPT</li> </ul>
<b>T Read Aloud in English Internal Test Items</b>	Not allowed for Language Arts, Reading, Spelling, Word Analysis and Vocabulary subtests	May read aloud or use Audio only or Audio with test booklet	Not Allowed for EOC English I and Gateway Language Arts	All tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ ELL, and</li> <li>➤ score as limited English proficient on IPT</li> </ul>

\*Remember all students are eligible for Allowable Accommodations, as needed, on any TCAP assessment. Questions regarding required conditions for use of ELL Accommodations should be directed to Carol Irwin, TN ESL Coordinator at (615) 741-3262.



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