



**Department of
Education**

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2011-2012 COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATIONAL PLAN (CEP)

SCHOOL NAME: THE HILLSIDE AVENUE SCHOOL

DBN (DISTRICT/ BOROUGH/ NUMBER I.E. 01M000):

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SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM (SLT) SIGNATURE PAGE

Use this page to identify SLT members and confirm their participation in the development of this Comprehensive Educational Plan (CEP), which includes goals and action plans, a summary of Academic Intervention Services, and the Parent Involvement Policy. The signatures of SLT members indicate their participation in the development of the CEP and serve as confirmation that consultation has occurred to align funding in support of educational programs. The SLT must include an equal number of parents and staff and have a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 17 members, in accordance with the Chancellor’s Regulation A-655, available on the [NYC DOE Web site](#).

Directions:

1. List each SLT member in the left-hand column on the chart below. Specify any position held by the team member, e.g., Chairperson, SLT Secretary and the constituent group represented, e.g., parent, staff, student, or CBO. Core mandatory SLT members are indicated by an asterisk*.
2. Ensure that SLT members review this document and sign in the right-hand column in blue ink. If an SLT member does not wish to sign this plan, he/she may attach a written explanation in lieu of his/her signature.
3. Add rows as needed to ensure that all SLT members are listed.
4. The original copy, along with any written communications pertaining to this page, is to remain on file in the principal’s office and be made available upon written request.

Name	Position and Constituent Group Represented	Signature
Anita Prashad	*Principal or Designee	
Ellen Diamond-Jones	*UFT Chapter Leader or Designee	
Christine McGinty	*PA/PTA President or Designated Co-President	
Rianti Budhu	DC 37 Representative, if applicable	
	Student Representative (<i>optional for elementary and middle schools; a minimum of two members required for high schools</i>)	
	CBO Representative, if applicable	
Monique Jefferies	Member/DC37	
Sherry Persaud	Member/parent	
Miguel Melendez	Member/teacher	
Betsy dePaz	Member/parent	
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DIRECTIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR COMPLETING THE ANNUAL GOALS AND ACTION PLAN SECTION

The CEP goal-setting process serves both to support the identification and implementation of school-wide goals as well as to document how your school is meeting Federal, State, and City regulations.

As a result of principal feedback on this process, the CEP has been significantly streamlined to reduce the amount of time spent fulfilling requirements and to allow schools to focus on goal-setting and instructional priorities. The goal and action plan section, contained on pages 4 through 8 of this template, now serves as the central work of the CEP process and reflects a consolidation of numerous CEP requirements from prior years.

Below you will find guidance on documenting annual goals and action plans.

WHICH SCHOOLS NEED TO COMPLETE THIS?

- All schools should identify and submit annual goals and action plans in consultation with their School Leadership Team.

HOW DO CEP GOALS RELATE TO GOALS SET FOR THE PRINCIPAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW (PPR)?

- CEP goals are generally intended to guide school-wide planning and development. CEP goals may be adapted from goals set by the principal for the Principal Performance Review (PPR) if they are appropriate for use as school-wide goals.

HOW SHOULD A SCHOOL DEVELOP ITS GOALS AND ACTION PLANS?

- Your school should identify a minimum of three and a maximum of five annual goals.
- Goals should be “SMART” - specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and time-bound.
- Goal development should be based on an assessment of your school’s needs.
- Your school should demonstrate the use of both qualitative and quantitative data in providing the rationale for each goal. Cite sources that contributed to the rationale, such as the Progress Report, Quality Review, School Survey, State Differentiated Accountability report (SQR, ESCA, or JIT), state and school assessment results, attendance records, inquiry team work, etc.
- Each goal and action plan requires your school to cite the strategies and activities in your Parent Involvement Policy (PIP) that will be implemented to achieve the goal identified. The PIP template is provided on pages 11 through 15. Your school is encouraged to use the template as it is provided, or align it in accordance with your school’s goals, or replace it entirely with a Parent Involvement Policy created by your school that meets federal requirements. You may use or amend relevant sections of your PIP directly to respond to the parental involvement section of each goal and action plan.
- Schools designated as Improvement, Corrective Action, Restructuring, and/or PLA/SURR by the New York State Education Department must identify a goal and complete an action plan related to improving student outcomes for the specific subject area and subgroups identified for improvement. For each subject area identified, a goal and action plan is required.

ANNUAL GOAL #1 AND ACTION PLAN

Use this template to identify an annual goal. Respond to each section to indicate strategies and activities in support of accomplishing this goal.

Annual Goal #1

- By the end of June 2012, 50% of all students will be able to:
A) Demonstrate growth in effectively forming and supporting opinions based on the reading of increasingly complex texts and responding (oral and written form) to inform and argue with evidence; to support claims and refute alternate perspectives in a logical and analytical manner of writing.
B) Demonstrate growth in effectively problem-solving by using mathematical modeling; and creating viable arguments to support their decisions and to critique the reasoning of others.

Comprehensive needs assessment

- In response to the new expectations outlined in the CCSS, we realize the need to prepare our students to effectively complete rigorous performance based tasks in both Math and Literacy.

Instructional strategies/activities

- Teacher teams will work collaboratively on/across grades to increase students' academic proficiency in mathematics and literacy by engaging students in rigorous performance-based tasks aligned with CCSS and embedded within the instructional units across disciplines. In literacy, students will complete tasks that ask them to read and analyze informational texts and write opinions and arguments in response. In Math, students will engage in cognitively demanding mathematics tasks that require them to model with math and/or clearly construct and explore reasoning behind arguments to defend logical solution paths
- Teachers will utilize all available student data (ARIS, Acuity, NYStart, Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessments) to inform their planning and to better enable them to formulate tasks that meet their students' individual needs.
- Teachers will analyze a variety of tasks (literacy & math) in order to develop or select appropriate tasks that meet the goal.
- Teachers will utilize the Common Core Library as a primary resource.
- Coaches, Math and Literacy Teams, Inquiry Teacher Cohorts, Network Specialist and Administration will support professional development to assist in formulating lessons that include the designing/selection of rigorous tasks
- Teachers will utilize all available instructional resources (Units of Study for Reading, School-Wide Units of Writing, Core Knowledge, Social Studies and Science Units) to find tasks that are embedded within the content.
- ESL teachers and ELL Network Specialist will provide professional development to teachers to improve scaffolding in lesson preparation and to provide multiple entry points to meet the needs of ELL students and struggling learners.
- Teacher teams will meet regularly to analyze data gathered from reviewing current student work to determine the quality of student work as measured by agreed upon rubrics and to determine next steps for improving student outcomes.
- The IEP liaison, SETSS teacher and Special Education Network Specialist will provide assistance to teachers in developing and using strategies to help students improve their performance on selected tasks.
- Teachers will utilize common planning time to meet within grade teams/Inquiry cohorts to collaborate on refining instructional practice to support goal.

Strategies to increase parental involvement

- Workshops are being provided to parent/guardian on the Common Core State Standards, ELA and Math State Assessments, navigation of ARIS and Acuity, as well as workshops geared to parents of ELLs.

Strategies for attracting Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT)

- All staff are qualified, certified and fully licensed as evident in the BEDS survey.

Service and program coordination

- Creative Arts team for literacy and violence prevention (4th & 5th grade target population), LEAP Improving Literacy Outcomes (grades 3-5 target population), LEAP Supporting Violence Prevention (grade 4 target population), YMCA (afterschool tutorial and opportunity for creative expression (grades 1-5 target population)

Budget and resources alignment

- Contract for Excellence, Fair Student Funding, Title 1 SWP, ARRA funds. These funds will be used for per diem, per session, library resources and general supplies needed to accomplish this goal.

ANNUAL GOAL #2 AND ACTION PLAN

Use this template to identify an annual goal. Respond to each section to indicate strategies and activities in support of accomplishing this goal.

Annual Goal #2

- To improve teacher effectiveness by developing professional learning communities in which teachers are engaged in studying how to craft and implement learning experiences that result in improving student outcomes.
- By June 2012, 100% of classroom teachers will engage in studies around The Professional Learning Standards as well as NYCDOE adopted competencies: Designing Coherent Instruction (1e) and Establishing A Culture for Learning (2b) taken from the Danielson's Framework for Teaching and demonstrate growth in the planning and implementation of lessons as measured by a research-based rubric.

Comprehensive needs assessment

- In order to improve teacher effectiveness, 100% of our teachers will become versed in the professional learning standards as well as the competencies that have been adopted by the NYCDOE. The Danielson framework will provide the rubrics necessary to help teachers continue to assess the effectiveness of their craft.

Instructional strategies/activities

- Planning time will be provided during the instructional day for teachers to meet and plan as a grade to read research based materials, to look at exemplars, and design instructional units and related tasks that engage students in higher-level cognitive activities. Coaches, Network Specialists and the Administration will facilitate this process.
- Teachers will engage in Instructional Rounds as an extension of the current inquiry work to improve pedagogy and students' performance outcomes.
- Teacher teams will conduct walkthroughs (in addition to those by Administration) to identify any problems of practice that exist and in a collaborative and collegial manner, work to identify pathways and strategies to improve these.
- A calendar of classroom visits (formal/informal observation) will be developed and frequently reviewed to ensure that teachers are regularly visited with a focus on the selected competencies and that feedback is timely, communicated with clarity, is specific and evidence based and provides time frame for follow up.

- The PD committee (Administration, coaches, lead teachers) will develop and implement PD plans that target individual or groups of teachers based on the data and trends noted from classroom visits.
- Teachers with the help of Network Instructional support will develop a self-assessment tool to reflect on their status at different intervals of the PD series they are participating in and indicate, according to the rubric, where they stand and what additional help they need to reach their target.
- Pre-assessment: Teachers with the help of the Administration and the Network will develop and take a pre-assessment based on the competencies identified above.
- Post-assessment: Teachers with the help of the Administration and Network will develop and take a post-assessment based on the two competencies identified above. Each teacher will rate him/herself using the rubric used throughout the year and create goals for the new school year.
- The administration will engage teachers in conversations around their current status as measured by the rubric and discuss future learning goals for the teacher
- All teachers will compose a 2 page reflection about the process; the benefits derived and include recommendations.

Strategies to increase parental involvement

- Workshops are being conducted to inform parents of the Common Core Standards and the increased academic rigor. Parents are encouraged to check out the DOE website for additional information.

Strategies for attracting Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT)

- All staff are qualified, certified and fully licensed as evident in the BEDS survey.

Service and program coordination

- Creative Arts team for literacy and violence prevention (4th & 5th grade target population), LEAP Improving Literacy Outcomes (grades 3-5 target population), LEAP Supporting Violence Prevention (grade 4 target population), YMCA (afterschool tutorial and opportunity for creative expression (grades 1-5 target population)

Budget and resources alignment

- Contract for Excellence, Fair Student Funding, Title 1 SWP, ARRA funds. These funds will be used for per diem and per session.

ANNUAL GOAL #3 AND ACTION PLAN

Use this template to identify an annual goal. Respond to each section to indicate strategies and activities in support of accomplishing this goal.

Annual Goal #3

- By June 2012, at least 15% of our students with disabilities in grades 3, 4 and 5 will demonstrate increased proficiency as measured by NYS ELA, through regular engagement in tasks that focus on comprehension of informational text and literary responses; as well as evidenced by their improved performance on summative/formative assessments; the collection of literacy tasks and student work samples that demonstrate increased proficiency with written responses and creating viable arguments.
- Special education students' will increase their academic proficiency in reading comprehension through use of informational text and short term goal setting in alignment with the Common Core Standards.

Comprehensive needs assessment

Our students with disabilities did not meet the AYP in ELA.

Instructional strategies/activities

- Coaches and teachers will utilize the Common Core Library for standard based exemplar tasks that support students with disabilities.
- Coaches, Special Needs Network Specialist and the Administration will support the teachers with professional development in analyzing students' data for the purpose of setting short term goals that meet the student's academic needs.
- Coaches, Special Needs Network Specialist and Administration will support the teachers with professional development in the creation of standard based tasks that support students' short term goals.
- Teachers will be supported by the Coaches and Administration in the formation and execution of lessons prepared using the Units of Study for Reading, School-Wide units for Writing, Core Knowledge resources.
- Focus on strengthening the use of academic language for all students.
- Improving the quality of aligning questions and discussion techniques with Depth of Knowledge Framework.
- Using the discussion format as a technique to extend knowledge for students on a particular topic/concept.
- The IEP liaison, SETSS and Crisis Intervention teachers will pull out students identified and targeted for RTI support using Wilson and Great Leaps.
- Teacher Teams/Inquiry Cohorts with the support of the Administration, coaches and the Network Support Specialist will meet regularly to ensure the alignment of literacy and math tasks with CCSS and the Danielson's Designing Coherent Instruction.

Strategies to increase parental involvement

- Workshops are being conducted to inform parents of the NYS ELA and Math Assessments, the increased academic rigor and the Common Core Standards.

Strategies for attracting Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT)

- All staff are qualified, certified and fully licensed as evident in the BEDS survey.

Service and program coordination

- Creative Arts team for literacy and violence prevention (4th & 5th grade target population), LEAP Improving Literacy Outcomes (grades 3-5 target population), LEAP Supporting Violence Prevention (grade 4 target population), YMCA (afterschool tutorial and opportunity for creative expression (grades 1-5 target population))

Budget and resources alignment

- Fair Student Funding (FSF), Title 1 SWP, ARRA funds, IDEA. These funds will be used for per diem, per session, library resources and general supplies needed to accomplish this goal.

ANNUAL GOAL #4 AND ACTION PLAN

Use this template to identify an annual goal. Respond to each section to indicate strategies and activities in support of accomplishing this goal.

Annual Goal #4

- To improve students' ability to problem solve and develop critical thinking skills in mathematics by improving the quality and variety of rigorous tasks the students are regularly engaged in.
- By June 2012, at least 20% of students in grades 3, 4 & 5, including ELLs and Students with Disabilities, will demonstrate growth within proficiency level as measured by NYS Math Assessment; as well as evidenced by improved performance tasks in math portfolios and student work samples that reflect mathematical modeling and creating viable arguments. Students in K-5 will regularly engage in tasks that focus on concepts, skills and problem solving.

Comprehensive needs assessment

Our ELL students did not meet AYP in ELA, however, met AYP using safe harbor in Math. Our Students with Disabilities did not meet AYP in Math.

Instructional strategies/activities

- Coaches, Literacy and Math teams, ESL teachers, Networks ELL Specialist and Administration will provide teachers with professional development to assist with incorporating ELL strategies into literacy and math lesson planning and execution.
- Coaches and Administration will provide professional development in utilizing literacy and math exemplar task samples for ELL students provided in the Common Core Library.
- Grade Leader/Inquiry Teacher Teams will utilize current student work to note implications and develop tasks in alignment with the CCSS.
- The Grade Leader Team as well as teacher grade teams will meet regularly to develop tasks that are as cognitively demanding as those provided by Common Core Library exemplars.
- Focus on strengthening the use of academic language for all students.
- Improving the quality of questions by aligning questioning and discussion techniques with Depth of Knowledge Framework.
- Using the discussion format as a technique to extend knowledge for students on a particular topic/concept.
- Inquiry Team will utilize student data to create literacy and math tasks that are in alignment with Danielson's Designing Coherent Instruction competency.
- Teacher Teams, supported by Network Specialists will begin more focused implementation of Universal Design for Learning strategies to improve delivery of instruction and provide additional entry points for ELLs, SWDs and struggling learners.
- Students will be flagged for additional support in pull-out/push-in RTI literacy and math groups by the teachers engaging in AIS/Extended Day small group instruction
- A collaborative partnership with Queens College will provide RTI services in Literacy for ELLs

Strategies to increase parental involvement

- Parents of ELLs workshops have been scheduled. Workshops are conducted on the NYS ELA and Math Assessments, Common Core Standards, Translation and Interpretation Services

Strategies for attracting Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT)

- All staff are qualified, certified and fully licensed as evident in the BEDS survey.

Service and program coordination

- Creative Arts team for literacy and violence prevention (4th & 5th grade target population), LEAP Improving Literacy Outcomes (grades 3-5 target population), LEAP Supporting Violence Prevention (grade 4 target population), YMCA (afterschool tutorial and opportunity for creative expression (grades 1-5 target population))

Budget and resources alignment

- Title 1 SWP, Title III monies will be used to support professional development and intervention strategies to improve academic outcomes for ELL students. Funds will be used for per diem, per session and general supplies.

ACADEMIC INTERVENTION SERVICES (AIS)

On the chart below, indicate the total number of students receiving AIS in each area listed for each applicable grade in your school.

Identified groups of students who have been targeted for AIS, and the established criteria for identification include:

- Students in Grades K – 3 who are considered at-risk for not meeting State standards as determined by their performance on ECLAS 2 or other identified assessments, or who have been identified as potential holdovers.
- Students in Grades 4 – 8 who are performing at Level 1 or Level 2 on New York State English language arts (ELA), mathematics, science, and social studies assessments.
- Students in Grade 9 who performed at Level 1 or Level 2 on NYS Grade 8 ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies assessments.
- Students in Grades 10 – 12 who scored below the approved passing grade on any Regents examination required for graduation in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.

	ELA	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies	At-risk Services: Guidance Counselor	At-risk Services: School Psychologist	At-risk Services: Social Worker	At-risk Health-related Services
	# of Students Receiving AIS	# of Students Receiving AIS	# of Students Receiving AIS	# of Students Receiving AIS				
K	1	0	N/A	N/A	1	0	0	N/A
1	42	0	N/A	N/A	0	1	0	N/A
2	35	0	N/A	N/A	3	1	0	N/A
3	5	5	N/A	N/A	0	0	1	N/A
4	16	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	N/A
5	15	0	N/A	N/A	3	0	0	N/A
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On the chart below, provide a brief description of each of the Academic Intervention Services provided, and include:

1. type of program or strategy (e.g., Wilson, Great Leaps, etc.),
2. method for delivery of service (e.g., small group, one-to-one, tutoring, etc.),
3. when the service is provided (i.e., during the school day, before or after school, Saturday, etc.).

Name of Academic Intervention Services (AIS)	Description
ELA	Wilson, Great Leaps, Foundations, Mondo, Earobics, Fountas & Pinnell (Continuum of Learning). We use a push-in, pull-out model with small group instruction, 1:1 tutoring, peer tutoring, during the day.
Mathematics	S.T.A.M.S (Curriculum Associates). We are using a pull-out model with small group instruction during the day.
Science	Non-fiction literature/resources are being woven in to small group instruction during extended day, pull-out/push-in sessions during the instructional day
Social Studies	Non-fiction literature/resources are being woven in to small group instruction during extended day, pull-out/push-in sessions during the instructional day
At-risk Services provided by the Guidance Counselor	Guidance counselor provide provides counseling to all mandated students, in addition to all students for crisis intervention, referrals for assessment, academics, teaching life and social skills, educating and assisting parents, improving self image, accepting consequences, problem solving, self control, peer pressure, etc
At-risk Services provided by the School Psychologist	Intermittent, as needed no more than 2-3 sessions with a child 1:1 intervention w/ child and follow-up consultation w/ teacher and/or parents
At-risk Services provided by the Social Worker	Intermittent, as needed no more than 2-3 sessions with a child 1:1 intervention w/ child and follow-up consultation w/ teacher and/or parents
At-risk Health-related Services	This is provided on a case by case basis as need is determined (ex. Vision/hearing testing; OT/PT)

**DIRECTIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR DEVELOPING OR UPDATING
THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY (PIP)**

The template below meets the parental involvement requirements of Title I. Your school is encouraged to use the template as it is provided, or align it in accordance with your school's goals, or replace it entirely with a Parent Involvement Policy created by your school that meets federal requirements.

The PIP should describe how your school will plan and implement effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. The School-Parent Compact is a component of the PIP that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share this responsibility.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY (PIP)

Educational research shows a positive correlation between effective parental involvement and student achievement. The overall aim of this policy is to develop a parent involvement program that will ensure effective involvement of parents and community in our school. Therefore, our school, in compliance with the Section 1118 of Title I, Part A of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, is responsible for creating and implementing a parent involvement policy to strengthen the connection and support of student achievement between our school and the families. Our school's policy is designed to keep parents informed by actively involving them in planning and decision-making in support of the education of their children. Parents are encouraged to actively participate on the School Leadership Team, Parent Association, and Title I Parent Committee as trained volunteers and welcomed members of our school community. Our school will support parents and families of Title I students by:

P. S. 54 receives Title 1 funds to implement supplemental instructional programs. The programs we develop are based on the philosophy that effective school communities include programs that build the capacity of parents (empowerment) to support their child's education and the school. We have established, through SLT, procedures for involving parents in program activities. We provide workshops to help parents work with their children to improve their literacy and math skills, to understand the State Tests and the Common Core Standards. Outside agencies have come in like Cornell University to do a workshop on Nutrition and Parenting.

P.S. 54 will be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition:

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring –

- a. That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- b. That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- c. That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child; the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA
- d. The school will inform parents and parental organizations of the purpose and existence of the Parental Information and Resource Center in the State.

A parent coordinator will implement and facilitate all parent involvement activities.

Our school's Parent Involvement Policy was designed based upon a careful assessment of the needs of all parents/guardians, including parents/guardians of English Language Learners and students with disabilities. Our school community will conduct an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this parent involvement policy with Title I parents to improve the academic quality of our school. The findings of the evaluation through school surveys and feedback forms will be used to design strategies to more effectively meet the needs of parents, and enhance the school's Title I program. This information will be maintained by the school.

In developing the Title I Parent Involvement Policy, parents of Title I participating students, parent members of the school's Parent Association (or Parent-Teacher Association), as well as parent members of the School Leadership Team, were consulted on the proposed Title I Parent Involvement Policy and asked to survey their members for additional input. To increase and improve parent involvement and school quality, our school will:

- actively involve and engage parents in the planning, review and evaluation of the effectiveness of the school's Title I program as outlined in the Comprehensive Educational Plan, including the implementation of the school's Title I Parent Involvement Policy and School-Parent Compact;
- engage parents in discussion and decisions regarding the required Title I set-aside funds, which are allocated directly to schools to promote parent involvement, including family literacy and parenting skills;
- ensure that the Title I funds allocated for parent involvement are utilized to implement activities and strategies as described in our Parent Involvement Policy and the School-Parent Compact;
- support school-level committees that include parents who are members of the School Leadership Team, the Parent Association (or Parent-Teacher Association) and Title I Parent Committee. This includes providing technical support and ongoing professional development, especially in developing leadership skills;
- maintain a Parent Coordinator (or a dedicated staff person) to serve as a liaison between the school and families. The Parent Coordinator or a dedicated staff person will provide parent workshops based on the assessed needs of the parents of children who attend our school and will work to ensure that our school environment is welcoming and inviting to all parents. The Parent Coordinator will also maintain a log of events and activities planned for parents each month and file a report with the central office.;
- conduct parent workshops with topics that may include: parenting skills, understanding educational accountability grade-level curriculum and assessment expectations; literacy, accessing community and support services; and technology training to build parents' capacity to help their children at home;
- provide opportunities for parents to help them understand the accountability system, e.g., NCLB/State accountability system, student proficiency levels, Annual School Report Card, Progress Report, Quality Review Report, Learning Environment Survey Report;
- schedule additional parent meetings, e.g., quarterly meetings, with flexible times, such as meetings in the morning or evening, to share information about the school's educational program and other initiatives of the Chancellor and allow parents to provide suggestions;
- translate all critical school documents and provide interpretation during meetings and events as needed;
- P. S. 54 will provide a wide range of opportunities to inform parents about the program design, operation and evaluation. Parents and educators will work together to achieve the programs' objective. The Department of Education requires all Title 1 schools to establish a Parent Advisory Council through an election process. P. S. 54 holds this election annually in September; the Title 1 representative is also elected annually. The parents must elect the members to PAC at a PTA meeting. A majority of parent members on the council must have

children who are served in a Title 1 program. A teacher may be a member of the council. The council functions in an advisory capacity, in the planning, implementing and evaluating of Title1 programs.

- The Parent Coordinator will schedule these meetings.
- The PAC or a representative will attend District Advisory Council/District Council of Presidents meeting to:
 - obtain information of their rights/responsibilities under Title 1 guidelines.
 - written description of program activities for review, discussion and recommendation
 - receive information & provide input regarding program goals, objectives and procedures for selecting and assessing school and students, develop of educational strategies, implementation and evaluation
 - Review monthly updates of program activities
 - Discuss recommendations for change

Annual Meetings:

A critical component of all parent activities, especially Curriculum Night, PTA Conferences, registration and workshops, is the language component; P. S. 54 provides translation services (written and oral) in the languages of our parent population, including some which are not provided by the Dept. of Education translation service providers (Punjabi, Pashto, Hindi). Open House Curriculum Night is in late September/early October. At this time, the Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy and School/Title 1 Plan will be distributed. Staff present an overview of their programs. During the year, the funded personnel; will conduct workshops related to topics requested by parents. Community resources will be brought in to support parents' needs. The school will provide ongoing communication (monthly calendar, newsletter, parent bulletin board at entrance) informing everyone of upcoming school worthy events. (PTA, SLT meetings, Open School etc), information, and helpful tips. The Principal will hold quarterly meetings with the PTA Executive Board. The Principal's open door policy has been expanded to include Breakfast Meetings held periodically with parents of different grades. These meetings inform, educate and foster good communication and relations. Parents will continue to be consulted at PTA meetings and given the opportunity to make recommendations through the PAC.

Our school will further encourage school-level parental involvement by:

- providing written and verbal progress reports that are periodically given to keep parents informed of their children's progress;
- developing and distributing a school newsletter or web publication designed to keep parents informed about school activities and student progress;
- providing school planners/folders for regular written communication between /teacher and the home in a format, and to the extent practicable in the languages that parents can understand;

Parent Involvement Activities

Title 1 funds will be set aside to pay for parent involvement activities. These activities will be based on parent surveys which identify and prioritize parents' needs and wants. These have been used to purchase Student Folders (K-2) and Planners (3-5) and may include workshops, trips aligned with student curriculum (libraries/reading, social studies/museums), attendance at conferences, and the maintenance of the Multicultural, multilingual Parent Lending Library, established through Title 1 funds. The Parent Lending Library will be continued to be developed and maintained by the Parent Coordinator.

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

Our school, in compliance with the Section 1118 of Title I, Part A of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, is implementing a School-Parent Compact to strengthen the connection and support of student achievement between the school and the families. Staff and parents of students participating in activities and programs funded by Title I, agree that this Compact outlines how parents, the entire school staff and students will share responsibility for improved academic achievement and the means by which a school-parent partnership will be developed to ensure that all children achieve State Standards and Assessments.

I. School Responsibilities

P.S. 54Q will:

1. Provide high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:

- Follow New York City and State curricula and standards.
- Participate in appropriate new initiatives.
- Meet the needs of all children by differentiating instruction.
- Be knowledgeable about new trends, materials and curriculum and adapt those that will help raise student achievement.
- Use Balanced Literacy and Everyday Mathematics.
- Provide ongoing assessment.
- Provide additional help for strugglers through tutorials and pull-out and after school AIS
- Provide ongoing professional development for teachers to support best practices in teaching and learning.

2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences held in November and March and at other times during the year as needed. In addition, parents of students who are "promotion in doubt" will be notified in November and January and will meet with their child's teacher during those months.

3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

- Parent Orientation in October
- Report cards in November, March and June
- Academic at-risk notification
- "Promotion in doubt" notices and conferences
- Parent-teacher conferences as needed.
- Progress Reports
- Communicate goals to parents
- Grades 3-5 inform parents of students ITA & Predictive scores and areas in need of improvement

4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:

- During parent-teacher conferences.
- Before school or during teacher preps by appointment

5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

- Observations of classroom activities during Open School Week and by special arrangement
- Volunteer program. Parents are invited to volunteer in the lunchroom or for tutoring (Learning Leaders Program)
- Assembly programs
- Field trips and other special activities
- Plant and book sale

6. Involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's parent involvement policy, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.

7. Involve parents in the joint development of any Schoolwide Program plan (for SWP schools), in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.

8. Hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs, and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements, and the right of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. The school will convene the meeting at a convenient time to parents, and will offer a flexible number of additional parental involvement meetings, such as in the morning or evening, so that as many parents as possible are able to attend. The school will invite to this meeting all parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs (participating students), and will encourage them to attend.
9. Provide information to parents of participating students in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon the request of parents with disabilities, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents can understand.
10. Provide to parents of participating children information in a timely manner about Title I, Part A programs that include a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.
11. On the request of parents, provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions, and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.
12. Provide to each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in at least math, language arts and reading.
13. Provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 f the Title 1.

II. Parent/Guardian Responsibilities:

- monitor my child's attendance and ensure that my child arrives to school on time as well as follow the appropriate procedures to inform the school when my child is absent;
- ensure that my child comes to school rested by setting a schedule for bedtime based on the needs of my child and his/her age;
- check and assist my child in completing homework tasks, when necessary;
- read to my child and/or discuss what my child is reading each day (for a minimum of 15 minutes);
- set limits to the amount of time my child watches television or plays video games;
- promote positive use of extracurricular time such as, extended day learning opportunities, clubs, team sports and/or quality family time;
- encourage my child to follow school rules and regulations and discuss this Compact with my child;
- volunteer in my child's school or assist from my home as time permits;

- participate, as appropriate, in the decisions relating to my child's education;
- communicate with my child's teacher about educational needs and stay informed about their education by promptly reading and responding to all notices received from the school or district;
- respond to surveys, feedback forms and notices when requested;
- become involved in the development, implementation, evaluation and revision to the Parent Involvement Policy and this Compact;
- participate in or request training offered by the school, district, central and/or State Education Department learn more about teaching and learning strategies whenever possible;
- take part in the school's Parent Association or Parent-Teacher Association or serve to the extent possible on advisory groups, e.g., Title I Parent Committees, School or District Leadership Teams;
- share responsibility for the improved academic achievement of my child;

III. Student Responsibilities:

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need it.
- Complete all assignments
- Read and write for at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.
- Give to my parents or guardian all notices and information from my school on the day they are given and remember to return them to school on time.
- Come to school every day and on time
- Bring a note to my teacher after any absence
- Respect my teachers and classmates
- Pay attention in class and try my best
- Study at home and do what I can to learn what I need to do
- Try my best and be a responsible member of the class and school
- Bring necessary supplies and materials and be prepared for learning each day

RESPONSE PLAN FOR SCHOOLS IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT (SINI)

School DBN: 28Q054

School Name: The Hillside School

Note: For below, your state differentiated accountability phase, category, and intervention can be found in columns L, M and N on the SINI School spreadsheet linked in the Principals' Portal.

Phase: Improvement Year 1 Improvement Year 2 Corrective Action Year 1 Corrective Action Year 2
 Restructuring Year 1 Restructuring Year 2 Restructuring Advanced

Category: Basic Focused Comprehensive

Intervention: School Quality Review (SQR) External School Curriculum Audit (ESCA)
 Joint Intervention Team visit (JIT) Not Required for 2011-2012

Part A: For All SINI Schools (Title I and non-Title I)

1. For each area of school improvement identification, describe the school's findings of the specific academic issues that caused the school to be identified. For schools in Improvement that underwent an SQR, ESCA, or (JIT) during the 2010-11 school year, please include the findings from that process in your response for this section.

Our school needs to make gains with our ELL and SWD population in ELA and Mathematics. Our proficiency levels decreased from 2009-2010 to 2010-2011. In 2009-2010 our ELLs failed to meet AYP in ELA while the SWD students met AYP using Safe Harbor. Both our ELL and SWD students met AYP in Math in 2009-2010. However, in 2010-2011 our ELL and SWD students did not meet AYP on the English Language Arts test. Also, our SWD students failed to meet AYP in Mathematics and our ELL students met AYP using Safe Harbor.

2. Describe the intervention(s) the school will implement to support improved achievement in the grade and subject areas for which the school was identified.

Our school has taken the following intervention measures to support improved achievement with our ELL and SWD population:

- We have a morning Extended Day program four days a week to support all our students (general education, Students with Disabilities and English Language Learners) in ELA and Math. During Extended Day our three ELL teachers meet with their inquiry students to monitor growth.
- We have several AIS groups, grade 1-5, during the school day to support our general education, ELL and SWD students in ELA, with one AIS group for Math.
- An After School AIS Academy for general education, ELL and SWD students in grades 2-5 twice a week for both ELA and Math. The ELL teacher is taking ELL students in 20 minute cycles for intensive small group instruction. She also has a Newcomer Group. We also have three first grade hold over students attending, one being an ELL and the other a Student with Disability.
- We offer a Saturday ELL Academy for grades 2-5

The Title III Program will be open to English Language Learners in grades 2 through 5, and it will be held on ten (10) consecutive Saturdays from 9AM to 12 Noon. During each Saturday session, one (1) supervisor and six (6) teachers,

trained in ESL strategies and sensitized to the needs of the ELLs, will present lessons designed to help the students meet the New York City and New York State standards in English as a Second Language and English Language Arts.

There will be three (3) classes of twenty (20) students each, organized according to English language proficiency as indicated by the NYSESLAT and LAB-R exams. Instruction will be provided by a licensed ESL teacher and a common branch teacher in a collaborative team teaching model for each class. Each team of educators will implement ESL strategies and scaffold instruction in order to facilitate and enhance students' competence in English in accordance with the standards. Instruction will focus on language development with emphasis on narrative and non-narrative writing.

Students' strengths and weaknesses will be addressed by differentiating instruction, and the appropriate intervention strategies will be implemented accordingly.

During each session, students will be scheduled for three periods of literacy instruction in writing/speaking, reading/listening, and literacy through technology. Activities in listening, speaking, reading and writing will be aligned with the units of study in the daily Balanced Literacy program.

These activities will include maintaining the writers' notebooks, author studies, read-alouds, literature circles, and shared/paired reading with a strong focus on immersing students in non-fiction literature to further strengthen language acquisition and academic vocabulary. Technology will be used in non-fiction applications to familiarize students with word processing and to teach them how to use the internet for research. Small groups will support students receiving differentiated and individualized instruction, and will also enable teachers to confer frequently to tailor instruction to the learning style of each student. Congruence between Title III teachers and students' classroom teachers will help guide the direction of instruction.

Assessment will be ongoing throughout, and will be evidenced by work in students' portfolios, teacher generated tests, and conference notes. Materials will include the Leap Track Reading System. It contains high interest non-fiction content that motivates readers of different abilities by providing interactive, multi-sensory instruction, critical word-work knowledge, and development of reading comprehension.

The following additional measures have been instituted this year:

- ELL students are serviced by providers through the push-in model
- A third ELL teacher was added
- Professional Development for staff is being provided by our ELL Network Specialist and Special Education support liaison
- Workshops for staff on Inquiry Process; Differentiating Instruction; Universal Design for Learning; Aligning Tasks to the Common Core Standards; Brain Based Learning
- Parent Workshops, conducted in English and Spanish and other languages when necessary, are provided throughout the school year. Workshops offered are ELL orientation; ARIS parent link; Acuity; Foundations; general education, SWD and ELL requirements for state exams and available social services programs; nutrition and parenting; bullying; translation and interpretation services; child abuse prevention; gang and youth violence and effective use of public libraries.
- At-risk SETSS
- Partnership with Queens College who provide RTI services to our SWD and ELL students, focusing on Vocabulary and Fluency. Constant progress monitoring was conducted and data shared with teachers to further differentiate classroom instruction
- A lower grade RTI teacher was added
- PTA meetings are conducted monthly where important information is disseminated to parents

- Social Worker and Guidance Counselor work with parents connecting them to outside agencies when necessary
- To better forge the relationship between home and school, translators are available on a daily basis to assist in teacher conferences. Whenever possible, school notices are sent home in different languages.

Part B: For Title I SINI Schools Only

1. As required by NCLB legislation, a school identified for school improvement must spend not less than 10 percent of its Title I funds for each fiscal year that the school is in school improvement status for professional development. The professional development must be high quality and address the academic area(s) identified. Describe how the 10 percent of the Title I funds for professional development will be used to remove the school from school improvement.

One of PS 54's CEP goals states that by June 2012, 100% of classroom teachers will engage in studies around The Professional Learning Standards as well as NYCDOE adopted competencies: Designing Coherent Instruction (1e) and Establishing A Culture for Learning (2b) taken from the Danielson's Framework for Teaching and demonstrate growth in the planning and implementation of lessons as measured by a research-based rubric. To this end, the following professional development agenda has been put into effect, to improve not only teacher practice, but increase student achievement, especially for our ELL and SWD sub groups.

Planning time has been provided during the instructional day for teachers to meet and plan as a grade, to read research based materials; to look at exemplars, and design instructional units and related tasks that engage students in higher-level cognitive activities. Coaches, Network Specialists and the Administration facilitate this process. Strategic scheduling has provided each grade level with multiple common preparation periods to facilitate professional development, and planning.

Funds have been used to hire substitute teachers so that school staff can engage in Instructional Rounds as an extension of the current inquiry work to improve pedagogy and students' performance outcomes. Teacher teams have conducted walkthroughs (in addition to those by Administration) to identify any problems of practice that exist and in a collaborative and collegial manner, are working to identify pathways and strategies to improve these.

In regards to improving the ELL population progress, Network Specialists work alongside Administration to plan and execute Professional Development specifically targeting our ELL and SWD population. Substitutes have been hired so that teachers, across grades can attend workshops on Brain Based Learning, Differentiation and the aligning ELL instruction to the Common Core Standards. ELL teachers turnkey information and strategies learned with teacher teams during common prep periods.

Teachers across grades have attended various outside PD sessions on topics such as *Guided Math Practical Strategies to Differentiate Your Math Instruction Using Small Group Instruction and Math Learning Centers, Taking Co-Teaching to a Higher Level; How to Use Best Strategies From Singapore Math to Strengthen Your Math Instruction, Reading Strategies for Ells* all provided by the BERS Professional Development organization. Funds were used not only to pay for teachers' enrollment, but for Substitute Coverage as well.

The school purchased the movie *Educating Samuel* which was shared during a Professional Development day focusing on the new Special Education Initiative. Our IEP/Reading teacher attends monthly workshops on Brain Based learning and turnkeys information to our Special Education teachers during their common prep period. Additional copies of the PRIM (Pre-Referral Intervention Manual) have been purchased, so that each grade houses a copy to aide them in providing differentiation strategies, as well as, the drafting of behavior intervention plans.

The Power of One Video was shown and a Profession Development session was provided by our SESIS, NYC RSE-TASC, funds were used to provide Substitute teacher coverage for staff in attendance. Additionally, a study group is planned, to be facilitated by our SESIS, NYC RSE-TASC on the topic of Direct Instruction. Funds will be used to purchase the book for each attendee and to pay each participant per session. With the help of our SESIS, NYC RSE-TASC walkthroughs with a specifically developed rubric have been conducted to gauge instruction in our self-contained and CTT classrooms.

2. Describe the teacher-mentoring program that will be incorporated as part of the school's strategy for providing high-quality professional development.

In order to improve teacher effectiveness PS 54 has been working diligently to create professional learning communities in which teachers are engaged in studying how to craft and implement learning experiences that result in improving student outcomes, especially for our ELL students and Students with Disabilities.

A calendar of classroom visits (formal/informal observations) was developed and is frequently reviewed to ensure that teachers are regularly visited with a focus on the selected competencies, ELL and UDL strategies and that feedback is timely, communicated with clarity, is specific and evidence based and provides a time frame for follow up. The feedback from these walkthroughs also forms the basis for ongoing professional development, both in house and from outside providers.

Teachers are afforded the opportunity for inter-class visitations to view best practices. Teachers are being supported by the Literacy Coach, Administration and fellow teachers do improve upon their craft.

Learning Walkthroughs are conducted and feedback given to all teachers either in the daily bulletin or at grade conferences.

3. Describe how the school will notify parents about the school's identification for school improvement in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practicable, in a language that the parents can understand.

Letters were sent out in English and Spanish to parents along with the information booklets sent to the school about our SINI status and parent options. On January 19th a meeting was held with the principal and parents in conjunction with the PTA meeting to discuss our SINI status. We held a meeting and SES Fair for our parents on January 31 as well. Parents were given the opportunity to speak with SES providers for free tutoring services for their child.

**OFFICE OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS
GRADES K-12 LANGUAGE ALLOCATION POLICY
SUBMISSION FORM
2011-12**

DIRECTIONS: This submission form assists schools with gathering and organizing the quantitative and qualitative information necessary for a well-conceived school-based language allocation policy (LAP) that describes quality ELL programs. This LAP form, an appendix of the CEP, also incorporates information required for CR Part 154 funding so that a separate submission is no longer required. Agendas and minutes of LAP meetings should be kept readily available on file in the school. Also, when preparing your school's submission, provide extended responses in the green spaces. Spell-check has been disabled in this file, so consider typing responses to these questions in a separate file before copying them into the submission form. For additional information, hold your cursor over the [?](#).

Part I: School ELL Profile

A. School Information [?](#)

Cluster Leader/Network Leader CFN 209 - Marlene Wilkes	District 28	Borough Queens	School Number 054
School Name The Hillside Avenue School			

B. Language Allocation Policy Team Composition [?](#)

Principal Anita Prashad	Assistant Principal Lorraine Engel
Coach Shirley Rios	Coach type here
ESL Teacher Vivian Kaiser	Guidance Counselor Andrea Giglio
Teacher/Subject Area Beth Mitchell/SETSS	Parent Christine McGinty
Teacher/Subject Area Seemin Ghazala/Special Ed	Parent Coordinator Vikash Narine
Related Service Provider Daisy Concepcion	Other Charles Fabella/IEP teacher
Network Leader Marlene Wilkes	Other type here

C. Teacher Qualifications [?](#)

Please provide a report of all staff members' certifications referred to in this section. Press TAB after each number entered to calculate sums and percentages.

Number of certified ESL teachers	3	Number of certified bilingual teachers	0	Number of certified NLA/foreign language teachers	0
Number of content area teachers with bilingual extensions	0	Number of special education teachers with bilingual extensions	0	Number of teachers of ELLs without ESL/bilingual certification	0
Number of teachers who hold both a bilingual extension and ESL certification	0	Number of teachers currently teaching a self-contained ESL class who hold both a common branch license and ESL certification	0		

D. School Demographics

Total number of students in school	555	Total Number of ELLs	115	ELLs as share of total student population (%)	20.72%
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Part II: ELL Identification Process

Describe how you identify English Language Learners (ELLs) in your school. Answer the following:

1. Describe the steps followed for the initial identification of those students who may possibly be ELLs. These steps must include administering the Home Language Identification Survey (HLIS) which includes the informal oral interview in English and in the native language, and the formal initial assessment. Identify the person(s) responsible, including their qualifications, for conducting the initial screening, administering the HLIS, the LAB-R (if necessary), and the formal initial assessment. Also describe the steps taken to annually evaluate ELLs using the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT).
2. What structures are in place at your school to ensure that parents understand all three program choices (Transitional Bilingual, Dual Language, Freestanding ESL)? Please describe the process, outreach plan, and timelines.
3. Describe how your school ensures that entitlement letters are distributed and Parent Survey and Program Selection forms are returned? (If a form is not returned, the default program for ELLs is Transitional Bilingual Education as per CR Part 154 [[see tool kit](#)].)
4. Describe the criteria used and the procedures followed to place identified ELL students in bilingual or ESL instructional programs; description must also include any consultation/communication activities with parents in their native language.
5. After reviewing the Parent Survey and Program Selection forms for the past few years, what is the trend in program choices that parents have requested? (Please provide numbers.)
6. Are the program models offered at your school aligned with parent requests? If no, why not? How will you build alignment between parent choice and program offerings? Describe specific steps underway. 

The development of the Language Allocation Policy (LAP) at P.S. 54 is the result of a multidisciplinary collaborative effort among the school's principal, the assistant principal, ESL and classroom teachers, service providers and the guidance counselor. All the staff involved in the educational process at P.S. 54 are cognizant of the rationale and protocol for the placement of ELLs. At registration, the Home Language Identification Survey (HLIS) form is given to parents/guardians by the ESL teacher in order to determine the dominant language spoken in the student's home. The ESL teacher provides assistance to the parent in completing the HLIS. At that time an informal interview is conducted in English and in the parent/child's native language. When the ESL teacher cannot be present, other pedagogues who are proficient in the parents' native language are available to conduct the interview (literacy coach, guidance counselor, special education teacher, and IEP teacher). Language support during the interview is available in Spanish, Urdu, Punjabi, Italian, Hebrew and Tagalog). Based on the information provided by parents on the Home Language Identification Survey and the oral interview, the ESL teacher is able to determine whether the student is eligible to be tested using the LAB-R in order to assess the student's proficiency level. That in turn determines the mandated number of units the learner will be serviced by the ESL teacher. The LAB-R is administered to eligible students within ten (10) school days of their official enrollment. Students whose first language is Spanish and who scored below the passing cut-score on LAB-R are then assessed with the Spanish LAB.

Placement in a language program is determined by scores obtained on the LAB-R and parental choice as indicated on the Parent Survey and Program Selection form. Parents are notified of the LAB-R results by translated entitlement letters in their native language. Copies of the letters are kept on file.

The next phase of the process involves scheduling orientation meetings for parents of students who are identified as English Language Learners. The orientation meetings are conducted by the ESL teacher within ten (10) days of the students enrollment in our school. The purpose of these orientations is to inform parents of the program options available to their children. Translators are available when needed at the orientation. After viewing the orientation video provided by the NYCDOE in their native language, parents have the opportunity to participate in a question and answer session. Parent Surveys and Program Selection forms in the parents' native tongue are discussed, filled out, a program selection is made and forms are collected at the end of the orientation meeting. These forms are securely stored in the ESL room. A copy of the HLIS is kept in the main office, and the original is placed in the student's cum folder. When parents are not able to attend the orientation meeting on a particular day, follow up calls are made to arrange another meeting. Every attempt is made to ensure that parents are able to view the video and choose a program for their child. This orientation process is repeated throughout the school year as new ELLs are enrolled.

Students who have been identified as English Language Learners are tested in the spring with the NYSESLAT. Based on scores obtained on the NYSESLAT, continued entitlement letters are distributed to parents in their native language. Non-entitlement letters are sent to the parents of students who achieve proficiency in the English Language. Copies of the letters are stored in the ESL room in order to maintain accurate records.

The language program currently offered at P.S. 54 is Freestanding ESL following a push-in/pull-out model. Program Selection forms are periodically reviewed by the LAP team to identify trends in parental choice. Programmatic changes will be put in place to reflect parental preference if a sufficient number of students who speak the same language is noted. The program model offered at P.S. 54 is aligned with parent requests. The program selection trends for the last four years indicate that parental preference is for

Freestanding ESL as demonstrated by the following data: for the 2008-2009 school year parents selected Freestanding ESL fifteen (15) to three (3) over TBE or Dual. In 2009-2010 the preference was eleven (11) to five (5). In 2010-2011 fifteen (15) parents chose Freestanding ESL to eight (8) TBE, and for the 2011-2012 school year, at this time, sixteen (16) parents opted for Freestanding ESL, three (3) chose TBE, and two (2) chose a Dual language program.

Part III: ELL Demographics

A. ELL Programs

This school serves the following grades (includes ELLs and EPs)
Check all that apply

K 1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10 11 12

This school offers (check all that apply):

Transitional bilingual education program	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, indicate language(s):
Dual language program	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, indicate language(s):

Provide the number of classes for each ELL program model at your school. For all-day programs (e.g., Transitional Bilingual Education, Dual Language, and Self-Contained ESL), classes refer to a cohort of students served in a day. For push-in ESL classes, refer to the separate periods in a day in which students are served. Departmentalized schools (e.g., high school) may use the self-contained row.

ELL Program Breakdown														
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total #
Transitional Bilingual Education <small>(60%:40% → 50%:50% → 75%:25%)</small>														0
Dual Language <small>(50%:50%)</small>														0
Freestanding ESL														
Self-Contained														0
Push-In		1	1	1	2	1								6
Total	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6

B. ELL Years of Service and Programs

Number of ELLs by Subgroups					
All ELLs	115	Newcomers (ELLs receiving service 0-3 years)	82	Special Education	11
SIFE	2	ELLs receiving service 4-6 years	19	Long-Term (completed 6 years)	1

Enter the number of ELLs by years of identification and program model in each box. Enter the number of ELLs within a subgroup who are also SIFE or special education. [?](#)

ELLs by Subgroups										
	ELLs (0-3 years)			ELLs (4-6 years)			Long-Term ELLs (completed 6 years)			
	All	SIFE	Special Education	All	SIFE	Special Education	All	SIFE	Special Education	Total

ELLs by Subgroups										
	ELLs (0-3 years)			ELLs (4-6 years)			Long-Term ELLs (completed 6 years)			
	All	SIFE	Special Education	All	SIFE	Special Education	All	SIFE	Special Education	Total
TBE										0
Dual Language										0
ESL	91	2	7	23	0	4	1	0	0	115
Total	91	2	7	23	0	4	1	0	0	115

Number of ELLs in a TBE program who are in alternate placement:

C. Home Language Breakdown and ELL Programs

Transitional Bilingual Education														
Number of ELLs by Grade in Each Language Group														
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
Spanish														0
Chinese														0
Russian														0
Bengali														0
Urdu														0
Arabic														0
Haitian														0
French														0
Korean														0
Punjabi														0
Polish														0
Albanian														0
Yiddish														0
Other														0
TOTAL	0													

Dual Language (ELLs/EPs) K-8																				
Number of ELLs by Grade in Each Language Group																				
	K		1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8		TOTAL	
	EL	EP																		
Spanish																			0	0
Chinese																			0	0
Russian																			0	0
Korean																			0	0
Haitian																			0	0
French																			0	0
Other																			0	0
TOTAL	0																			

**Dual Language (ELLs/EPs)
9-12**

Number of ELLs by Grade in Each Language Group

	9		10		11		12		TOTAL	
	ELL	EP								
Spanish									0	0
Chinese									0	0
Russian									0	0
Korean									0	0
Haitian									0	0
French									0	0
Other									0	0
TOTAL	0									

This Section for Dual Language Programs Only

Number of Bilingual students (students fluent in both languages):

Number of third language speakers:

Ethnic breakdown of EPs (Number):

African-American: ____

Asian: ____

Hispanic/Latino:

Native American: ____

White (Non-Hispanic/Latino): ____

Other:

Freestanding English as a Second Language

Number of ELLs by Grade in Each Language Group

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
Spanish	20	18	10	13	18	13								92
Chinese														0
Russian														0
Bengali			2											2
Urdu	1		4	1	1	1								8
Arabic				1	1									2
Haitian														0
French														0
Korean														0
Punjabi	1	2		1	4	1								9
Polish														0
Albanian														0
Other		2												2
TOTAL	22	22	16	16	24	15	0	115						

Part IV: ELL Programming

A. Programming and Scheduling Information

A. Programming and Scheduling Information

1. How is instruction delivered?
 - a. What are the organizational models (e.g., Departmentalized, Push-In [Co-Teaching], Pull-Out, Collaborative, Self-Contained)?
 - b. What are the program models (e.g., Block [Class travels together as a group]; Ungraded [all students regardless of grade are in one class]; Heterogeneous [mixed proficiency levels]; Homogeneous [proficiency level is the same in one class])?
2. How does the organization of your staff ensure that the mandated number of instructional minutes is provided according to proficiency levels in each program model (TBE, Dual Language, ESL)?
 - a. How are explicit ESL, ELA, and NLA instructional minutes delivered in each program model as per CR Part 154 (see table below)?
3. Describe how the content areas are delivered in each program model. Please specify language, and the instructional approaches and methods used to make content comprehensible to enrich language development.
4. How do you ensure that ELLs are appropriately evaluated in their native languages?
5. How do you differentiate instruction for ELL subgroups?
 - a. Describe your instructional plan for SIFE.
 - b. Describe your plan for ELLs in US schools less than three years (newcomers). Additionally, because NCLB now requires ELA testing for ELLs after one year, specify your instructional plan for these ELLs.
 - c. Describe your plan for ELLs receiving service 4 to 6 years.
 - d. Describe your plan for long-term ELLs (completed 6 years).
6. What instructional strategies and grade-level materials do teachers of ELL-SWDs use that both provide access to academic content areas and accelerate English language development?
7. How does your school use curricular, instructional, and scheduling flexibility to meet the diverse needs of ELL-SWDs within the least restrictive environment?

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A. Programming and Scheduling Information

It is our goal at P. S. 54 to make our ELLS full participants in the daily instructional programs and to engage them in accountable talk with specific focus on the transitional ELLs and their need to develop academic language. One way to achieve this goal is through the use of literature that reflects the students' culture background. This in turn enables the learners to activate their prior knowledge as a way of connecting to the lesson. As comfort level and proficiency in English develop, content area instruction becomes an integral part of the lesson. Content is taught by both classroom and ESL teachers. The ESL teacher frontloads the lesson, previews vocabulary and facilitates the comprehension of difficult linguistic structures/passages in the text. Articulation between ESL and classroom teachers occurs on a weekly basis to coordinate content area instruction and to plan how best to scaffold lessons before the content is introduced to the students. Scaffolding is provided when needed to promote deeper understanding and retention of the lesson. Classroom teachers are able to utilize ESL strategies in order to make content more comprehensible to their ELLs. Through the use of visual cues, speaking in a clear voice at a normal rate of speech, using repetitions, paraphrasing key points, and defining essential vocabulary within a context, teaching points are made salient to students. Working with peers in small, flexible groups during daily instruction is an effective strategy to ensure that ELLs are actively engaged in the learning process. When content, goals and strategies are coordinated; the opportunity for academic language to develop is greatly increased.

ESL teachers help their students prepare for assessment and standardized tests, teaching, for example, not only content but the academic language embedded in the questions. Results of these assessments are shared by classroom and ESL teachers in order to tailor instruction to the needs of the students in a consistent manner.

Our SIFE students currently enrolled in fourth and fifth grade have gained some proficiency in the English language but still present with profound delays in literacy skills, including inability to read and write in their home language. Basic instruction in letter recognition, phonemic awareness and phonics is provided during the extended day and pull-out sessions. Throughout the school day translation and modeling are provided by teachers and peers in order to facilitate comprehension. Picture books and big books with repetitive text are utilized taking into consideration the student's age and interest. Content area is presented through the use of visual aides such as photographs, posters, maps and graphs.

Long-Term ELLs have instruction tailored to their needs. When instruction is differentiated to address the specific needs of this particular group, more targeted academic instruction is implemented. Materials are examined and adapted to meet the students' level of achievement. Visuals, text and vocabulary previewing, discussions, clarifications and explanations are examples of materials and methods that are employed. Content area instruction is a priority. ESL and non-ESL teachers use appropriate level fiction and non-fiction books. Dictionary work, math, social studies and science textbooks are adapted for the ELLs. Emphasis is placed on Tier II words that emphasize higher level vocabulary and concept development.

Students with Disabilities in self-contained classes are serviced according to the mandates of their IEPs. Instructional practice incorporates methodology used to service long term ELLs as described above.

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Students whose first language is Spanish are evaluated in their native language with the Spanish LAB. In order to gain some understanding of their academic background, translators and translated materials are utilized whenever possible.

In order to facilitate access to academic content, ELLs and SWDs have access to listening centers, interactive SMART boards are used in the classroom, computer assisted instruction is provided whenever possible.

At PS 54Q SWDs are mainstreamed into the Least Restrictive Environment throughout the day. For example, students are mainstreamed during lunch and gym periods. They are included in grade level class trips. Academic mainstreaming is provided into a grade level class when appropriate.

Courses Taught in Languages Other than English

NOTE: This section refers to classes/subject areas in which the language of instruction is English and another language which all students in the class speak. Do not include:

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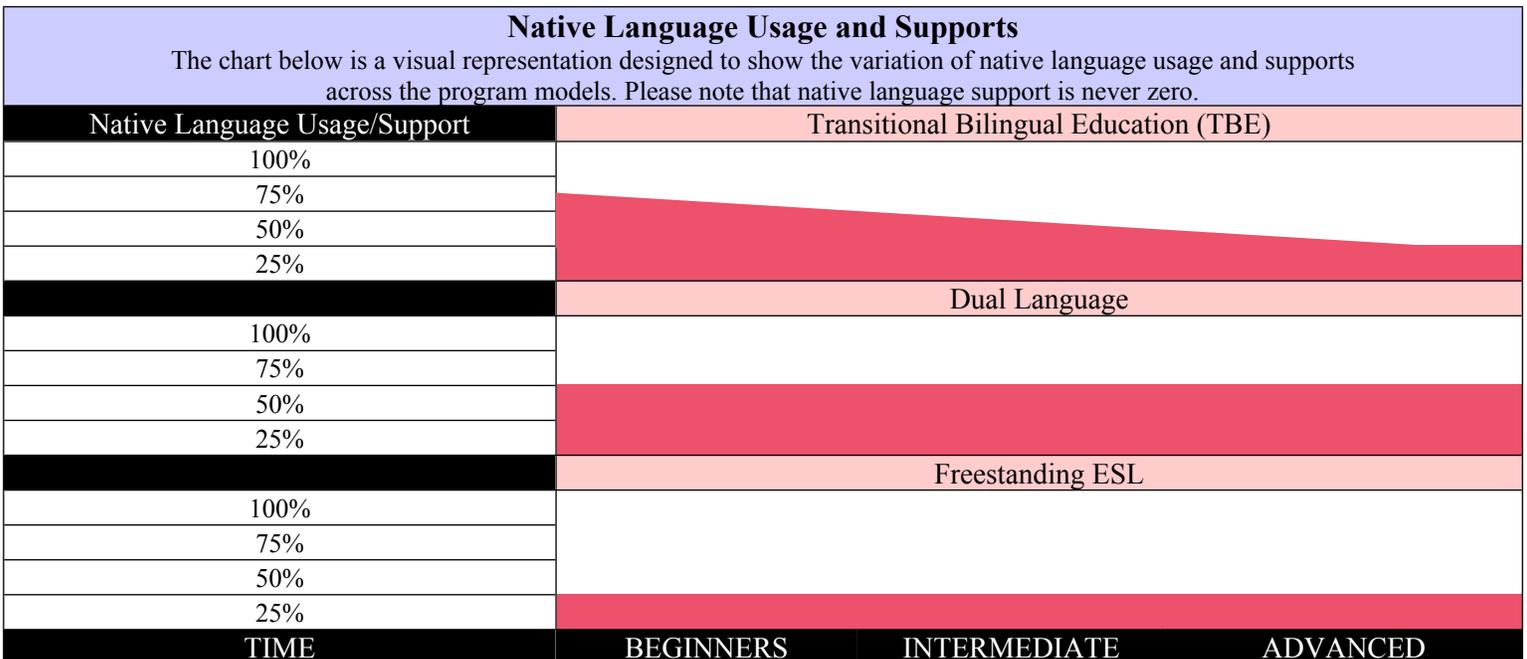
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Native Language Arts	
Social Studies:	
Math:	
Science:	

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A critical component of all parent activities, especially Curriculum Night, PTA Conferences, registration and workshops, is the language component; P. S. 54 provides translation services (written and oral) in the languages of our parent population, including some which are not provided by the Dept. of Education translation service providers (Punjabi, Hindi). Open House Curriculum Night is in October. At this time, the Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy and School/Title 1 Plan will be distributed. Staff, (funded personnel) will present an overview of their programs. During the year, the funded personnel; will conduct workshops related to topics requested by parents. Community resources will be brought in to support parents' needs. The school will provide ongoing communication (monthly calendar, newsletter, parent bulletin board at entrance) informing everyone of upcoming school worthy events, (PTA, SLT meetings, Open School etc), information, and helpful tips. The Principal will hold quarterly meetings with the PTA Executive Board. The Principal's open door policy has been expanded to include Breakfast Meetings held periodically with parents of different grades. These meetings inform, educate and foster good communication and relations. Parents will continue to be consulted at PTA meetings and given the opportunity to make recommendations through the PAC.

The parent coordinator is a part of the administrative team that works for school principals. He works closely with school staff, School Leadership Team (SLT), Parent Associations, community groups, and parent advisory council to engage families and involve them in school communities. He is charged with identifying issues of concern to families, and working with school leaders to ensure that these issues are addressed in a timely manner.

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C. Schools with Dual Language Programs

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3. How is language separated for instruction (time, subject, teacher, theme)?
4. What Dual Language model is used (side-by-side, self-contained, other)?
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E. Parental Involvement

1. Describe parent involvement in your school, including parents of ELLs.
2. Does the school partner with other agencies or Community Based Organizations to provide workshops or services to ELL parents?
3. How do you evaluate the needs of the parents?
4. How do your parental involvement activities address the needs of the parents?

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The parent coordinator is a part of the administrative team that works for school principals. He works closely with school staff, School Leadership Team (SLT), Parent Associations, community groups, and parent advisory council to engage families and involve them in school communities. He is charged with identifying issues of concern to families, and working with school leaders to ensure that these issues are addressed in a timely manner.

All parent workshops are conducted in both English and Spanish with additional translations available in Hindi, Bengali and Urdu. All printed materials, including flyers to parents are made available in both English and Spanish. The needs of parents are evaluated based on input given during workshops and at PTA meetings. Additionally, input is provided during small group meetings, as well as meetings conducted with individual parents. Translation and interpretation services are made available to all parents at the beginning of the school year and reinforced at each workshop/PTA meeting. NYC guide to public schools is provided to all parents in their respective native languages. Workshops being offered this school year are ARIS parent link, Acuity, Foundations, ELL requirements for state exams and available social services programs, nutrition and parenting, bullying, translation and interpretation services, child abuse prevention, gang and youth violence and effective use of public libraries.

Part V: Assessment Analysis

A. Assessment Breakdown

Enter the number of ELLs for each test, category, and modality.

B. After reviewing and analyzing the assessment data, answer the following

1. Describe what assessment tool your school uses to assess the early literacy skills of your ELLs (e.g., ECLAS-2, EL SOL, Fountas and Pinnell, DRA, TCRWP). What insights do the data provide about your ELLs? How can this information help inform your school's instructional plan? Please provide any quantitative data available to support your response.
2. What is revealed by the data patterns across proficiency levels (on the LAB-R and NYSESLAT) and grades?
3. How will patterns across NYSESLAT modalities—reading/writing and listening/speaking—affect instructional decisions?
4. For each program, answer the following:
 - a. Examine student results. What are the patterns across proficiencies and grades? How are ELLs faring in tests taken in English as compared to the native language?

OVERALL NYSESLAT* PROFICIENCY RESULTS (*LAB-R FOR NEW ADMITS)

Additional Information

Please include any additional information that would be relevant to your LAP and would further explain your program for ELLs. You may attach/submit charts. This form does not allow graphics and charts to be pasted.

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NYSESLAT Modality Analysis

Modality Aggregate	Proficiency Level	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
LISTENING /SPEAKING	B		4	1	1	1	1							
	I		9	6	3	1	3							
	A		5	5	9	12	8							
	P		1	2	3	11	3							
READING/ WRITING	B		11	4	8	4	3							
	I		6	5	2	7	8							
	A		2	3	4	12	4							
	P		0	1	0	0	0							

NYS ELA

Grade	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
3	10	9	3	0	22
4	5	4	0	0	9
5					0
6					0
7					0
8					0
NYSAA Bilingual Spe Ed					0

NYS Math

Grade	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Level 4		Total
	English	NL	English	NL	English	NL	English	NL	
3	3	2	11	1	6	0	0	0	23
4	3	3	5	1	1	0	0	0	13
5									0
6									0
7									0
8									0
NYSAA Bilingual Spe Ed									0

NYS Science									
	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Level 4		Total
	English	NL	English	NL	English	NL	English	NL	
4	1	1	7	1	3	0	0	0	13
8									0
NYSAA Bilingual Spe Ed									0

New York State Regents Exam				
	Number of ELLs Taking Test		Number of ELLs Passing Test	
	English	Native Language	English	Native Language
Comprehensive English				
Integrated Algebra				
Geometry				
Algebra 2/Trigonometry				
Math				
Biology				
Chemistry				
Earth Science				
Living Environment				
Physics				
Global History and Geography				
US History and Government				
Foreign Language				
Other				
Other				
NYSAA ELA				
NYSAA Mathematics				
NYSAA Social Studies				
NYSAA Science				

Native Language Tests									
	# of ELLs scoring at each quartile (based on percentiles)				# of EPs (dual lang only) scoring at each quartile (based on percentiles)				
	Q1 1-25 percentile	Q2 26-50 percentile	Q3 51-75 percentile	Q4 76-99 percentile	Q1 1-25 percentile	Q2 26-50 percentile	Q3 51-75 percentile	Q4 76-99 percentile	
ELE (Spanish Reading Test)									
Chinese Reading Test									

B. After reviewing and analyzing the assessment data, answer the following

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- How will patterns across NYSESLAT modalities—reading/writing and listening/speaking—affect instructional decisions?
- For each program, answer the following:

Additional Information

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Part VI: LAP Assurances

School Name: <u>The Hillside Avenue School</u>		School DBN: <u>28Q054</u>	
Signatures of LAP team members certify that the information provided is accurate.			
Name (PRINT)	Title	Signature	Date (mm/dd/yy)
Anita Prashad	Principal		10/14/11
Lorraine Engel	Assistant Principal		10/14/11
Vikash Narine	Parent Coordinator		10/14/11
Vivian Kaiser	ESL Teacher		10/14/11
Christine McGinty	Parent		10/14/11
Beth Mitchell/SETSS	Teacher/Subject Area		10/14/11
Seemin Ghazala/Spec Ed	Teacher/Subject Area		10/14/11
Shirley Rios	Coach		10/14/11
	Coach		
Andrea Giglio	Guidance Counselor		10/14/11
Marlene Wilkes	Network Leader		
Charlie Fabella	Other <u>IEP teacher</u>		10/14/11
	Other		
	Other		
	Other		

LANGUAGE TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION 2011-2012

CEP Appendix 7

Requirement under Chancellor's Regulations – for all schools

DBN: 28Q054 **School Name:** The Hillside Avenue School

Cluster: 2 **Network:** 209

Goal: To communicate whenever feasible with non-English speaking parents in their home language in order to support shared parent-school accountability, parent access to information about their children's educational options, and parents' capacity to improve their children's achievement.

Part A: Needs Assessment Findings

1. Describe the data and methodologies used to assess your school's written translation and oral interpretation needs to ensure that all parents are provided with appropriate and timely information in a language they can understand.

At registration the HLIS (Home Language Identification Survey) is given to each parent or guardian in his/her native language. When an ESL teacher cannot be present at registration, other pedagogues (literacy coach, guidance counselor, special education teacher, IEP teacher) who are proficient in a language other than English are available to conduct an interview with the parents. At this time language support is available in Hebrew, Italian, Punjabi, Spanish, Tagalog and Urdu. In the course of the interview, parents' language needs are determined. All written communication is subsequently provided in the preferred language of the parent. The Parent Coordinator is instrumental in obtaining translated materials which are used during PTA meetings and workshops throughout the year.

As new students come into the school, Parent Orientations and related materials are provided in the parents' native language by the ESL teachers. The ESL teachers use the translated letters from the DOE to communicate with parents. Parent Coordinator and Pupil Accounting secretary also work collaboratively to provide any additional communications in languages other than English as needed.

2. Summarize the major findings of your school's written translation and oral interpretation needs. Describe how the findings were reported to the school community.

The school has a large Spanish speaking population. There are many families who speak Punjabi and Bengali, Hindi, and Arabic. This information is public and posted at the entrance of the school building. Translators are often needed at meetings between the parents and the staff. Translators are helpful during parent/teacher conferences, PTA meetings, and individual conferences. Results of our findings have been reported to the PTA and the Parent Coordinator and translators are recruited to assist families during parent meetings/conferences.

Part B: Strategies and Activities

1. Describe the written translation services the school will provide, and how they will meet identified needs indicated in Part A. Include procedures to ensure timely provision of translated documents to parents determined to be in need of language assistance services. Indicate whether written translation services will be provided by an outside vendor, or in-house by school staff or parent volunteers.

Written translations will continue to be provided by the school to ensure that parents are informed about student progress, school events, performances, PTA meetings, and workshops. Written translations that are available on the Department of Education website are used as the need arises. In addition, in-house translators are used whenever possible.

2. Describe the oral interpretation services the school will provide, and how they will meet identified needs indicated in Part A. Indicate whether oral interpretation services will be provided by an outside contractor, or in-house by school staff or parent volunteers.

Oral interpretation services will continue to be provided at all school wide events including Curriculum Night, Parent Teacher Conferences, Title 1 meetings, initial interview at registration, report cards, etc. P. S. 54 has a cadre of translators through LIS that are familiar with the school community. P. S. 54 has provided translation through LIS to help families fill out the Learning Environment Survey.

3. Describe how the school will fulfill Section VII of Chancellor's Regulations A-663 regarding parental notification requirements for translation and interpretation services. Note: The full text of Chancellor's Regulations A-663 (Translations) is available via the following link: <http://docs.nycenet.edu/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-151/A-663%20Translation%203-27-06%20.pdf>.

In accordance with Section VII of Chancellor's Regulations A-663 regarding parental notification requirements for translation and interpretation service, a copy of the Bill of Parent Rights and Responsibilities is provided to each parent in their native language in the initial packet at the start of the school year. The school parent coordinator schedules workshops throughout the school year specifically to address parents concerns regarding difficulties with the language. Furthermore, information is revisited regarding translation and interpretation services available to the parents. Signs in each of the covered languages spoken by the parents in our school are posted in a conspicuous location at the entrance of our Mini Building to inform the parents of the availability of interpretation and translation services.

Our school safety plan contains information about procedures for reaching the school's administrative office in case of an emergency. Telephone numbers, websites and bilingual staff members are made available to parents who require interpretation services. In-house translation and interpretation can be provided in the following languages: Spanish, Urdu, Hebrew, and Tagalog.

For those parents whose native language is not a covered language, our school would obtain translation of the necessary form from the Translation and Interpretation Unit.

2011-12 Comprehensive Education Plan (CEP): Appendix 8

Title III Supplemental Program for ELLs

Directions: Title III supplemental services for ELLs must include all of the following three components:

- **Direct instruction:** activities must be used to support language development, English and native language instruction, high academic achievement in math, and/or other core academic areas.
 - The Title III supplemental instructional services must be based on student need
 - These supplemental services should complement core bilingual and ESL services required under CR Part 154.
 - Direct supplemental services should be provided for before school, after school, and Saturday programs as well as reduced class-size, and/or push-in services.
 - Teachers providing the services must be certified bilingual education and/or ESL teachers.
- **High quality professional development** that is “of sufficient intensity and duration to have a positive and lasting impact on the teachers’ performance in classrooms.”
 - Professional development activities should be well-planned, ongoing events rather than one-day or short-term workshops and conferences.
- **Parent engagement** and supports must ensure that there are appropriate translation and interpretation services to meet community needs.
 - These are in addition to mandated activities, such as parent orientation during ELL identification process.

For more information on Title III requirements, please see the School Allocation Memo or contact your ELL Compliance and Performance Specialist.

Part A: School Information	
Name of School: PS 54 Q	DBN: 28Q054
Cluster Leader: Charles Amundsen	Network Leader: Marlene Wilks
This school is (check one): ✖conceptually consolidated (skip part E below) ✔NOT conceptually consolidated (must complete part E below)	

Part B: Direct Instruction Supplemental Program Information
The direct instruction component of the program will consist of (check all that apply): ✔Before school ✔After school ✖Saturday academy ✔Other:
Total # of ELLs to be served: 60 Grades to be served by this program (check all that apply): ✔K ✔1 ✖2 ✖3 ✖4 ✖5 ✔6 ✔7 ✔8 ✔9 ✔10 ✔11 ✔12
Total # of teachers in this program: 6 # of certified ESL/Bilingual teachers: 3 # of content area teachers: 3

Part B: Direct Instruction Supplemental Program Information

Describe the direct instruction supplemental program here and include the

- rationale
- subgroups and grade levels of students to be served
- schedule and duration
- language of instruction
- # and types of certified teachers
- types of materials

Begin description here:

The Title III Program will be open to English Language Learners in grades 2 through 5, and it will be held on eleven (10) consecutive Saturdays from 9am to 12 noon. During each Saturday session, one supervisor and six (6) teachers, trained in ESL strategies and sensitized to the needs of the ELLs, will present lessons designed to help the students meet the New York City and New York State standards in English as a Second Language and English Language Arts.

There will be three classes of twenty (20) students each, organized according to English language proficiency as indicated by the NYSESLAT and LAB-R exams. Instruction will be provided by a licensed ESL teacher and a common branch teacher in a collaborative team teaching model for each class. Each team of educators will implement ESL strategies and scaffold instruction in order to facilitate and enhance students' competence in English in accordance with the standards. Instruction will focus on language development with emphasis on narrative and non-narrative writing.

Students' strengths and weaknesses will be addressed by differentiating instruction, and the appropriate intervention strategies will be implemented accordingly.

During each session, students will be scheduled for three periods of literacy instruction in writing/speaking, reading/listening, and literacy through technology. Activities in listening, speaking, reading and writing will be aligned with the units of study in the daily Balanced Literacy program.

These activities will include maintaining the writers' notebooks, author studies, read-alouds, literature circles, and shared and paired reading with a strong focus on immersing students in non-fiction literature to further strengthen language acquisition and academic vocabulary. Technology will be used in non-fiction applications to familiarize students with word processing and to teach them how to use the internet for research. Small groups will support students receiving differentiated and individualized instruction, and will also enable teachers to confer frequently to tailor instruction to the learning style of each student. Congruence between Title III teachers and the students' classroom teachers will help guide the direction of instruction.

Assessment will be ongoing throughout, and will be evidenced by work in students' portfolios, teacher generated tests, and conference notes. Materials will include the Leap Track Reading System. It contains high interest nonfiction content that motivates readers of different abilities by providing interactive, multisensory instruction, critical word-work knowledge, and development of reading comprehension.

Part B: Direct Instruction Supplemental Program Information

Part C: Professional Development

Describe the school's professional development program for Title III Program teachers as well as other staff responsible for delivery of instruction and services to ELLs.

- rationale
- teachers to receive training
- schedule and duration
- topics to be covered
- name of provider

Begin description here:

For the duration of the program, 1 hour sessions of professional development will be provided for the teachers on each day of the program. The professional development program will be facilitated by the ESL teachers and supervisor. It will be designed to inform the instructional staff on the best practices within ESL instruction to be employed in assisting the targeted students in increasing their level of achievement in listening, speaking, reading, and writing activities across the content areas. This training will take place for one (1) hour from 8:00AM to 9:00AM on each of the Saturdays, immediately preceding the beginning of the 9:00AM to 12:00 PM program being offered to the students. (Funding will be provided by the school 5% Set Aside Title I TL funding.)

Additionally, teachers will be provided with training on how to incorporate technology in their instruction and thus reinforce English Language Learning for the targeted ELL population. Teachers will have access to current student data in order to better inform instructional strategies being implemented for these students. Specialized techniques for ESL instruction will include experiential learning as well as hands-on, visually stimulating lessons. Research has shown that our students gain substantial transference of skills from the exposure to hands-on applications.

Teachers will receive an overview of the NYS ESL Standards as well as copies of "Classroom Teacher's ESL Survival Kit #1 and #2." This will help to prepare them not only for this supplemental instructional program but will also establish greater alignment among the ESL and classroom teachers during the school year.

Part D: Parental Engagement Activities

Describe the parent engagement activities targeted toward parents of ELLs that will impact higher achievement for ELLs. NOTE: These are in addition to mandated activities, such as parent orientation during ELL identification process.

- rationale
- schedule and duration
- topics to be covered
- name of provider
- how parents will be notified of these activities

Part D: Parental Engagement Activities

Begin description here:

In our desire to make the parents of our ELLs feel comfortable in our school environment and to involve them in the academic lives of their children, they will be invited to participate in the ten sessions of English Language Instruction Through Technology. These sessions, which will have a strong technology focus, will be held concurrently as the instructional program for the children. The time will also be from 9am to 12 noon. Parents will be immersed in the instructional strategies implemented in ESL to become better informed in ways to support and reinforce their children’s education at home.

Parents will receive technology training utilizing our computer lab and will engage in similar instructional activities as their children by cycling through the sessions in the same manner as the children. Instructional support for parents will be provided through Title III ELL Academy at no additional cost and will be further supported by the regularly scheduled workshops offered to parents in our school community. Parents will be provided with a schedule of workshops and with varied focus at the beginning of the Saturday ELL Academy and this will also be communicated via our Monthly School Calendar. The Parent Coordinator will be in attendance to ensure additional support and to coordinate translations services as needed. (Cost of PC is will be covered by school budget.)

Part E: Budget

FOR SCHOOLS NOT CONCEPTUALLY CONSOLIDATED ONLY. Ensure that your Title III budget matches your Title III Plan.

Allocation Amount: \$13400

Budget Category	Budgeted Amount	Explanation of expenditures in this category as it relates to the program narrative for this title.
Professional salaries (schools must account for fringe benefits) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per session Per diem 		
Purchased services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality staff and curriculum development contracts. 	N/A	N/A
Supplies and materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be supplemental. Additional curricula, instructional materials. Must be clearly listed. 		

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Budget Category	Budgeted Amount	Explanation of expenditures in this category as it relates to the program narrative for this title.
Educational Software (Object Code 199)		
Travel		
Other		
TOTAL	\$ 13,400	\$ 13,400