



Jefferson Joint School District #251

Every Student Can Learn and Succeed

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

During the months of November and December, Jefferson Joint School District 251 administers a language proficiency test to all third, fourth, and fifth grade immersion students. We use an interactive assessment called the ACTFL Assessment of Performance Toward Proficiency of Languages (AAPPL). ACTFL stands for American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, a professional organization dedicated to the study of foreign languages and cultures.

The AAPPL is a performance-based assessment of Interpersonal Listening and Speaking (ILS), Interpretive Reading and Interpretive Listening (IRIL), and Presentational Writing (PW) skills in an online format. *Please reference the "World Language Immersion Program Assessments" table on our website for information on which test your child will take.*

AAPPL scores are an indication of a student's language ability; these scores document whether learners and programs are reaching designated benchmark levels and therefore can be used to evaluate the alignment of curricular learning targets with actual student performance. Test takers receive an AAPPL Score Report for each component tested and a brief narrative explaining each score and recommendations for improvement. This report will be discussed with you by your child's teacher during January parent-teacher conferences

We anticipate each component of the exam will take about 30 minutes to complete.

Please direct any questions to your school principal or the World Language Immersion Program Coordinator, Kevin Cowley. You may also find more information at the AAPPL website: <http://aappl.actfl.org/>

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Cowley".

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