

Parent Guide to the ELPT Connect

What is the ELPT Connect?

Students who have been identified as English Learners (ELs) with significant cognitive disabilities enrolled in grades K-12 take the alternate English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT Connect). This online assessment is untimed, and measures a student's English proficiency in the four language domains:

- Reading
- Writing
- Speaking
- Listening

The ELPT Connect is used to measure progress, to encourage reclassification relative to grade-appropriate performance, and to determine which school systems are meeting accountability goals for ELs. Results from the ELPT Connect will be used to determine a student's level of English proficiency and to decide which language services and supports the student will need to fully participate in core content classes.

When will students take the test?

The online testing window opens **February 23, 2026** and closes **March 27, 2026**. All testing must occur within the window, but each school determines the schedule for administering the tests within the window.

When will results be available?

Schools will receive results in May. Each school will decide how to share the results with parents and students. View the [Parent Guide to the ELPT Connect Student Reports](#) to learn more about these results and why they matter for your child.

How can parents help students prepare for the ELPT Connect?

- Talk to your child and their teacher about daily lessons.
- Attend events and conferences offered by your child's school.
- Monitor your child's progress.
- Access the LDOE [Family Special Education Resource](#) and the [English Learners](#) webpages for more resources.



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