

TOOLKIT FOR MONTANA DISTRICTS

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES

- *Best Practices for ELLs That Work in All Classrooms for All Students*. Northwest Regional Educational Service District, Hillsborough, OR. Helpful video library and website for teachers using content-based instructional strategies in the classroom: <http://ell.nwresd.org/node/100>
- Colorín Colorado's *Watch & Learn in the ELL Classroom*. An online professional development series for middle and high school ELL educators, presenting four video modules featuring strategies from secondary ELL classrooms and interview with experts on ELL best practices: <http://www.colorincolorado.org/multimedia/learn/>
- The Career Technical Special Populations Training & Resource Education Center, funded by the Texas Education Agency in cooperation with the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, has developed an extensive page of links to webcasts, websites and journal articles geared toward working with ELLs and their parents. There are many activities and teaching strategy suggestions explained in a multimedia format. <http://ctsp.tamu.edu/videos/videos10/toolbox.php>
- The Evaluating the Validity of English Language Proficiency Assessments (EVEA) project site contains White Papers that address topics in the field of English Learner Services and English language proficiency assessments. Other resources include information on creating surveys on training for ELP assessment test administration, teachers of ELLs, and district-level identification placement procedures. <http://www.eveaproject.com/resources.aspx>
- WIDA Training Webinars. There are many webinar trainings available for the WIDA consortium states in their WIDA Download Library. From this link <http://www.WIDA.us/downloadLibrary.aspx> scroll down to the Video/Webinar section on the right side of the page. Using your teacher login to the WIDA site (assigned by the district test coordinator), you can view the different states' webinars related to the ELD standards, the W-APT, ACCESS for ELLs score interpretation and more.

ARTICLES:

- *Myths and Misconceptions about Second Language Learning: What Every Teacher Needs to Unlearn*. B. McLaughlin. December 1992. (<http://www.cal.org/resources/digest/myths.html>)
- *Teaching English Language Learners: What the Research Does – and Does Not – Say*. C. Goldenberg. American Educator. Summer 2008. (<http://www.aft.org/pdfs/americaneducator/summer2008/goldenberg.pdf>)
- *The Use and Validity of Home Language Surveys in State English Language Proficiency Assessment Systems*, Alison L. Bailey and Kimberly R. Kelly, UCLA, July 2010 (<http://www.eveaproject.com/doc/HLS%20White%20Paper%202010.pdf>)
- *5 Key Strategies for ELL Instruction*, Rebecca Greene, guest blogger, October 2013. (<https://www.teachingchannel.org/blog/2013/10/25/strategies-for-ell-instruction/>)

Video/Webinars:

- The Teaching Channel: Six Part Series on ELA for ELL <https://www.teachingchannel.org/blog/2013/10/25/video-playlist-ell-instruction/>