

## Home Language Survey Form

### **Introduction**

This survey is the first of three steps to identify whether or not a student is eligible to be an English language learner (ELL).

### **Instructions**

Start with "Question 1" and continue until the HLS is complete. Select the answer for each question and follow the instructions. When you arrive at a decision ("Proceed to Records Review Process" or "Do not proceed to Records Review Process"), the Home-Language Survey is complete.

### **Student Information**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Date student entered the U.S.?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date student first attended school in the U.S.?** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Survey Questions**

#### **Question 1**

What was the first language used by the student?

A language other than English, proceed to question 2a.  
If English. Proceed to question 2B

#### **Question 2a**

At home, does the student hear or use a language other than English more than half the time?

Yes. Proceed to question 7  
No. Proceed to question 4.

#### **Question 2b**

At home, does the student hear or use a language other than English more than half the time?

Yes. Proceed to question 4.  
No. Proceed to question 3.

#### **Question 3**

Does the student understand a language other than English?

Yes. Proceed to question 4.  
No. Proceed to question 9.

**Question 4**

When interacting with his/her parents or guardians, does the student use a language other than English more than half of the time?

- Yes. Proceed to question 7.
- No. Proceed to question 5.

**Question 5**

When interacting with caregivers other than their parents or guardians, does the student use a language other than English more than half of the time?

- Yes. Proceed to question 8.
- No. Proceed to question 6.

**Question 6**

Has the student recently moved from another school district/charter school where he/she was identified as an English language learner?

- Yes. Proceed to question 8.
- No. Proceed to question 9.

**Question 7**

List home languages spoken and proceed to question 8.

**8. Proceed to Step 2: Records Review Process.**

*(To be completed by NJ Certified Staff only – Reference [ESSA ELL Entry and Exit Guidance](#), p. 4).*

**Home Language Survey is complete.**

**9. Do not proceed to Step 2: Records Review Process.**

**Home Language Survey is complete. Student is not an English- Language Learner (ELL)**