

An ELL Alliance Education Northwest's work with the Road Map English Language Learner Work Group

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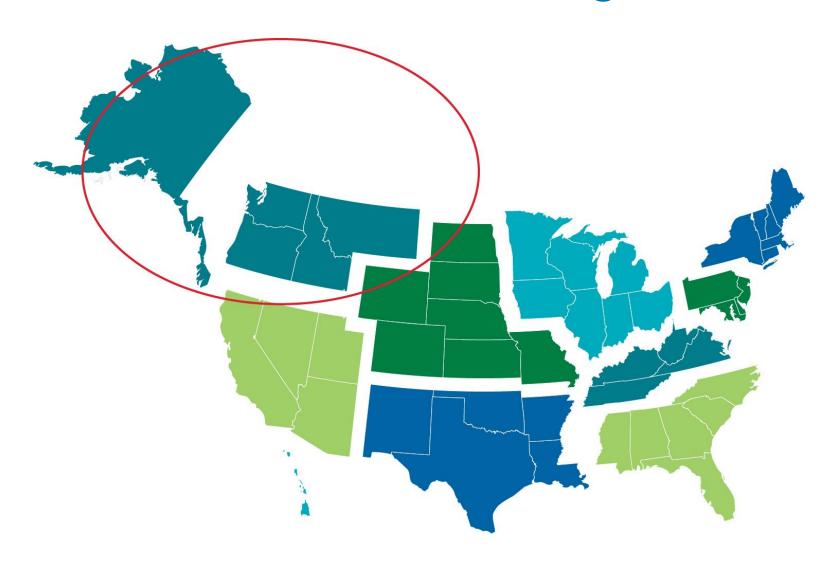


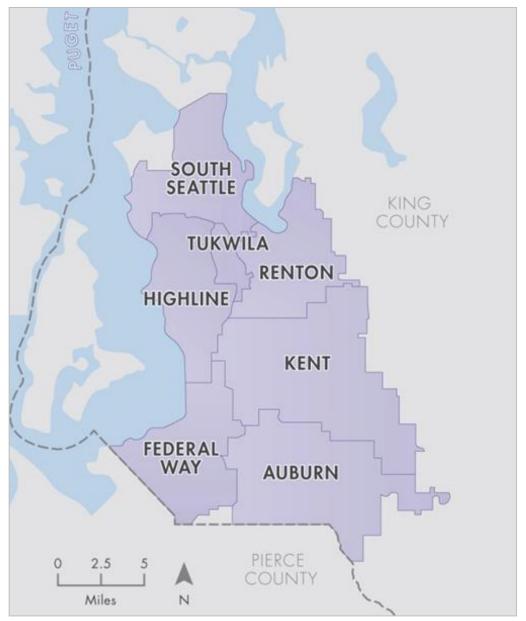
Who We Are





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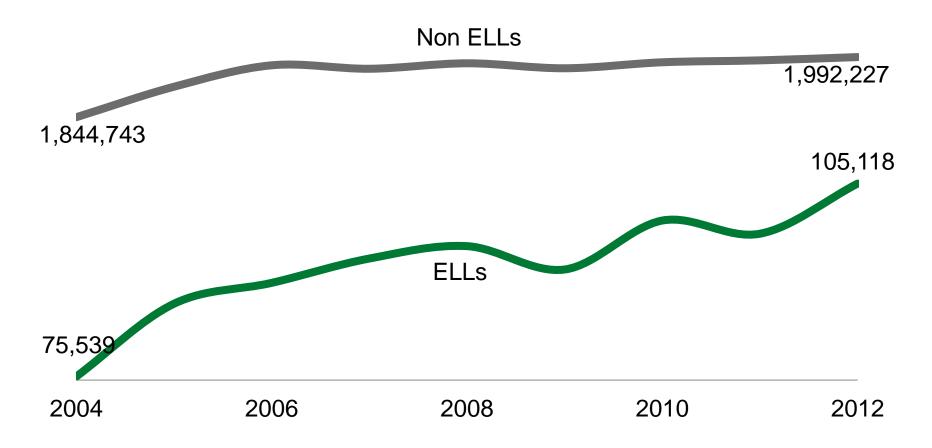
66% Students of Color

58% Low Income

16% ELLs

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Languages

Dramatic increase of ELLs

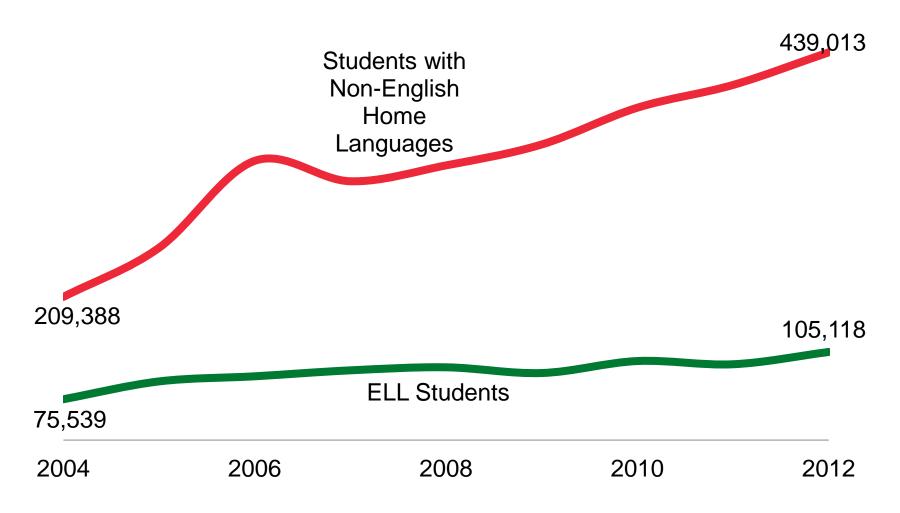


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Language effects more than ELLs

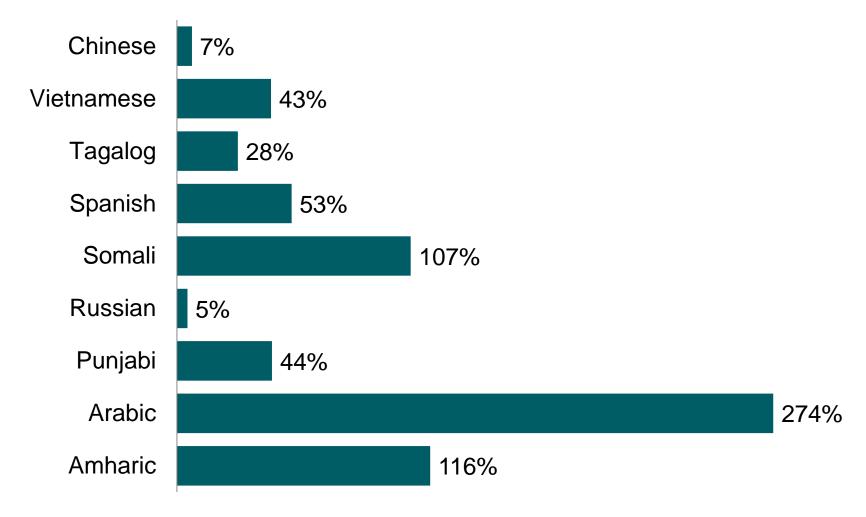


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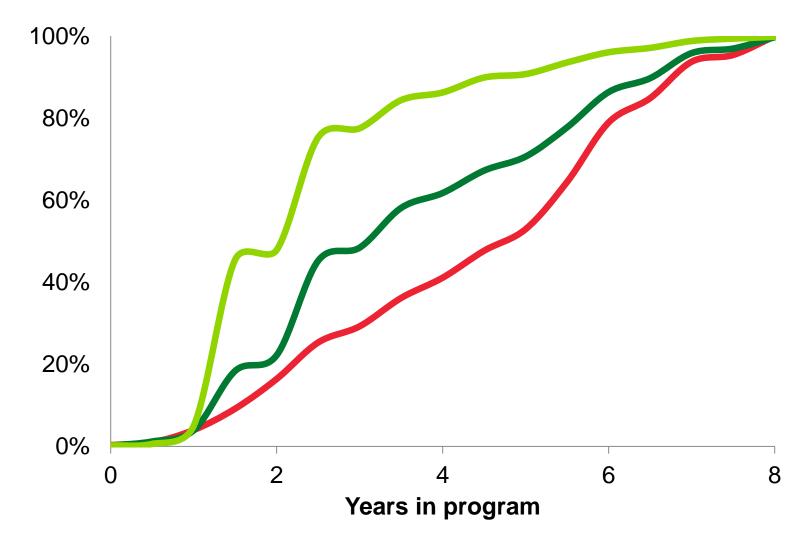


Our languages are changing





How long does it take?





What is a long term ELL?

Working Definition:

A long term ELL is a student has been classified as an ELL for more than 5 years.

58% of Road Map ELLs in 2012/13 had been classified as ELL for 5 or more years.

Who are our long term ELLs?

They are the same as all of our other ELLs:

- Few language differences
- No gender differences

A few differences:

- Eligibility for special education services
- U.S. born
- English proficiency level at entry



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