

English as an Additional Language (EAL) Service

Provides EAL Support for EAL Students in Tasmanian Schools



About Us

The EAL Service provides resources and support to schools, to help students learn English.

The EAL Service works with schools to:

- Ensure all EAL students can participate in learning
- Create successful links between home and school
- Increase skills and knowledge within the school to help support EAL students

Questions Often Asked

Where can I enrol my child?

All schools welcome all students from different cultural and religious backgrounds. Schools across all regions of Tasmania have EAL students enrolled. Students are welcome to enrol for **free**, in their local 'in area' school. All schools are co-ed, boys and girls attend on the same site. Extra support is available to help EAL students learn English in their local area school.

Is there an Intensive English School?

In Tasmania, all EAL students are enrolled in mainstream local area schools. The EAL Service provides a resource to help students learn English in their local school. Intensive English lessons in the local school are

available for new arrivals. EAL Teachers deliver Intensive English lessons in local schools. An online intensive English class is an extra resource for some new arrivals in Years 7 to 12.

What type of support is available?

The EAL Service provides a range of resources to support schools.

The type of support may include:

- EAL Teacher on the school site
- EAL Teacher Assistant
- EAL materials, books, games
- EAL Teacher Librarian
- EAL Library
- EAL loan devices eg laptop, tablet
- Interpreters
- EAL Social Worker
- Uniform assistance
- Help with enrolment
- EAL student learning plans

The Department's Student Assistance Scheme (STAS) is available for some families based on financial need.

How long will my child receive support?

There is no time limit on support. The amount of EAL support is based on a student's English level. Student progress is assessed during the year. The EAL Service provides support until the student achieves a level of Consolidating or Grade Standard. This is the highest level in the EAL/D Learning Progression.



For more information

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