

## **Goals K – 12**

The purpose of the English as a Second Language Program is to provide instructional goals and to acculturate and socialize students into the school and wider community. The teaching of the English language and culture is viewed as an additive component and not a replacement for the student's own culture and first language. The goals of the English as a Second Language Program are:

- To ease the transition from one culture to another
- To recognize linguistic and cultural diversity
- To identify curriculum suitable to a student's language proficiencies and cultural experiences, which includes both content and linguistic objectives
- To facilitate basic contacts and interaction between the ELL student's family and school personnel
- To develop the English Language Learners command of English in the basic areas of listening, speaking, reading, writing and viewing