

LONG ISLAND REGIONAL BILINGUAL EDUCATION RESOURCE NETWORK

Long Island by the Numbers...

1 Island
2 Counties
3 BOCES
7 Charter Schools
125 School Districts
43,153 English Language Learners

About Us

The Long Island Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network (L.I. RBERN) at Eastern Suffolk BOCES is one of eight technical assistance and support centers funded by the NYSED Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages (OBEWL). We assist the 125 school districts across Long Island in promoting equity and excellence in the education of English Language Learners (ELLs). The L.I. RBERN serves the component districts of Nassau BOCES, Western Suffolk BOCES and Eastern Suffolk BOCES.

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Our Services

Technical Assistance

L.I. RBERN staff provide guidance on the intricacies of NYSED and federal regulations, and OBEWL guidance as they pertain to English Learners.

Professional Learning

L.I. RBERN specialists design and deliver high quality professional learning tailored to the needs of the region and individual schools or districts on a variety of topics related to the achievement of ELLs. Professional learning is focused on equitable instruction and assessment practices that support ELLs academic achievement as well as NYSED CR Part 154 and ESSA Title III regulations.

On-Site Support

Resource Specialists collaborate with school leaders to identify the needs of their English as a New Language and Bilingual Education programs. On-site consultation can take many forms including, embedded coaching, guidance on curriculum alignment and instructional strategies or a comprehensive program quality review.

Family Engagement

L.I. RBERN offers a robust online family engagement program offering sessions on graduation requirements and parenting topics in the top 3 home languages spoken by ELLs on Long Island.