

WIDA Self-Paced eWorkshops

Frequently Asked Questions



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How do I get a WIDA Secure Portal account?

District ELD Program and Assessment Coordinators will create a bulk upload with educators' names and email addresses. Once the bulk educator list is created, a user with District permissions will upload this list to WIDA Client Services Center (CSC). Once WIDA CSC receives and processes the bulk upload, an automatic email will be sent to the educators on the list inviting them to create an eLearning account through the WIDA Secure Portal. This account will give access to the eLearning self-paced workshops and other eLearning resources.

What is the deadline to send the bulk upload list to WIDA CSC?

This is a district decision. Teachers can access the eWorkshops once the bulk upload list is sent and processed.

Should districts send the names of all staff members or just individuals who wish to participate?

This is a district decision. If someone receives an invitation from WIDA to create an account, they do not have to accept the invitation to participate.

Are these eWorkshops required?

No, participation is optional. eWorkshop participation will, however, help satisfy the English Learner Professional Development requirement for licensure renewal.

Is there a cost to participate in these eWorkshops?

No, there is no cost.

Where can I access the eWorkshops once I create an account?

The eWorkshops can be accessed by clicking the "WIDA eLearning Center" tile under Professional Learning after logging into your WIDA Secure Portal account.

WIDA Self-Paced eWorkshops

Available September 1, 2020 – August 31, 2021

For more detailed information,
visit [WIDA Self-Paced eWorkshops](#)

Social Studies: Engaging Multilingual Learners through Equity – 3-4 hours*

- For K-12 Social Studies and ESL teachers
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard II & IV

Doing and Talking STEM – 6 hours*

- For K-12 Science, Math, and ESL teachers
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard II & IV

WIDA Writing Rubric Series – 10 hours*

- For 1-12 ESL teachers
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard III & IV

Leading for Equity: Classroom Walkthrough – 2 hours*

- For K-12 School Leaders
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard I, II & IV

Classroom Educators: Engaging Newcomer Multilingual Learners – 2 hours*

- For K-12 Classroom teachers
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard I & IV

Developing Language for Learning in Mathematics – 4 hours*

- For K-12 Math and ESL teachers
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard II & IV

**WIDA estimations of time to complete. Actual hours will be indicated on Certificate of Completion.*



Does the invitation to create an account expire after a certain amount of time?

The invitation to create an account does not expire – as long as the educator has access to the email provided in the bulk upload list, they can create their account at a time that best suits their schedule.

What if I already have a WIDA Secure Portal account?

Those who already have an assessment related account in WIDA.wisc.edu will receive an email that eLearning permission has been added to their account. An invitation to sign into the Secure Portal will be sent once the district uploads and WIDA CSC processes the bulk educator list. If the former test administration account is inactivated within 3 years, the account will be re-instated with the eLearning permission added. If the former test administrator account has not been logged into for more than 3 years, the account and history will have been removed; anticipate receiving an invitation to create a new account.

I started working at my district later in the school year. How do I get a WIDA Secure Portal account?

Educators that request access to the WIDA eLearning Center after the initial bulk upload list is provided should email WIDA CSC directly, using their school email address to request an eLearning account creation. Requests for an eLearning account from personal emails or via phone will not be honored.

I am not currently working in a district, but I want hours to maintain my license. Can I access these eWorkshops?

The WIDA Self-Paced eWorkshops are currently only available to Colorado public school employees.

Is there a limit to enrollment?

No. Enrollment for the eWorkshop is unlimited.

Who can participate?

Educators currently working in a Colorado school district can access and participate in the WIDA eWorkshops.

Is there a certain time frame and location that I need to access these eWorkshops?

Participants can log in at any time, from any place where they have access to internet services.

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School Improvement Planning for Equitable Education of Multilingual Learners – 6-8 hours*

- For K-12 School Leaders
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard I & II

Engaging with the WIDA Standards: A Collaborative Approach – 4 hours*

- For K-12 Educators
- Aligned to English Learner Quality Standard I & II

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Will I get a certificate after completing an eWorkshop?

After educators complete a self-paced eWorkshop, they can print and/or download and save their Certificate of Completion. We encourage participants to download and/or forward certificates to their personal email as WIDA or CDE will **not** be able to reproduce certificates or confirm participation.

Will these eWorkshops count towards the new English Learner PD Requirement for relicensing?

Yes, the eWorkshops are aligned to the English Learner Professional Development Quality Standards, and the certificates you print after completing the eWorkshops can be submitted to CDE Licensing with your completed EL Professional Learning Standards Matrix and renewal application.

Who do I contact if there are technology issues?

WIDA CSC can assist with any technology issues or account access questions.

Contacts and Resources:

[WIDA Client Services \(CSC\)](#) 1-866-276-7735
(wida.wisc.edu/about/contact)

[WIDA Self-Paced eWorkshops](#)
(wida.wisc.edu/grow/us-based-pl/elearning/self-paced)

[CLDE Office](#) at the CDE
(www.cde.state.co.us/cde_english/contactus)

[CLDE Professional Development Opportunities](#)
(www.cde.state.co.us/cde_english/professionaldevelopment)

[Educator Licensing Office](#) at the CDE
(www.cde.state.co.us/educatortalent/elpdeducators)

[English Learner Professional Development Quality Standards](#)
(www.cde.state.co.us/educatortalent/elpdpathways)

[English Learner Professional Learning Standards Matrix](#)
(www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprof/elproflicensurerenewalmatrix)