## San Antonio ISD State Finance Commission Presentation

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San Antonio Independent School District
Bilingual / ESL \& Migrant Department


## Inspiration for this talk

...there is a growing
dissonance between research in the education of emergent bilingual students; the policies developed for their education; a nd the practices we observe in schools.

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Policy


SUSTAINABLE
Implementation

## Dual Language Program Expectations



## EL Academic Progress

$5^{\text {th }}$ Grade STAAR - ELS


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End of Course STAAR - ELS - First Attempt Test


## Bilingual/ESL \& Migrant Department 2018-19

- Transitioning the official SAISD bilingual program to 80/20 two-way dual language (additive) program from late-exit transitional (subtractive).
- 43 schools implementing 80/20 Two-Way Dual Language program in their bilingual classrooms; 18 schools serving ELs through an ESL Content-Based program
- Brackenridge High School piloting a Dual Language program - over 60 students as part of the Dual Language PK-12 Plan
- ESL Redesign Committee reviewing ESL program - ESL Certification Pathway for Secondary content area teachers


## Bilingual Teacher Pipeline 2018-2019

Career
After college graduation, the goal is to hire pipeline students in SAISD bilingual / dual language campuses.

College
Students continue in the program. Some coursework is delivered in Spanish and purposefully aligned to bilingual models implemented in SAISD and provided in one of our bilingual college lab schools.

## High School (65 students)

Throughout high school, students are provided with rigorous high school and college-level coursework delivered in Spanish to support the natural development of academic Spanish.
$7^{\text {th }} \& 8^{\text {th }}$
Spanish proficient students are identified and recruited in the dual language program/bilingual teacher pipeline.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

-1. Align state policy (TELPAS, Chapter 89, STAAR, IMA, etc.) to help districts sustain the implementation of Dual Language programs over time to attain full gap closure.
-2. Incentivize districts that implement high quality additive bilingual programs such as One-way and Two-way Dual Language programs.
3. Increase the state Bilingual Education Funding Weight.

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