Appendix A - Language Use Survey

In order to provide your child with the best possible education, we need to determine how well he or she understands, speaks, reads and writes in English. Please provide information about your child’s language.

Student’s Name: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

School: ________________________________ Grade: __________

Relationship of person completing this survey: ________________________________

Tier I: Language Background

1. What was your child’s first language? □ English □ Other: ______________
2. Which language(s) does your child use (speak) at home and with others? □ English □ Other: __________
3. Which language(s) does your child hear at home and understand? □ English □ Other: __________

If any of these answers indicate a language other than English, please complete the rest of the survey.

Tier II: Expanded Language background

4. Does the student understand when someone speaks with him/her in a language besides English?
5. Does the student read in a language other than English?
6. Does the student write in a language other than English?
7. Does the student interpret for you or anyone else in a language other than English?

Tier III: Educational History

8. How many years did the student attend school where the native language was used for instruction? ________
9. What was the most recent month and year the student attended school?

10. Do you believe that your child has learning difficulties that affect his/her ability to understand? __________
11. Has your child been referred to be evaluated for special education? If yes, please explain__________________
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The school is required to assess the English language proficiency of all students who indicate, or are suspected of having, a first language other than English. If the results of the assessment show a student needs language support, you will be notified in writing and the school district will provide language support as deemed appropriate by district staff.

**Notice to School Staff:** This form must be given to all new and enrolling students. Any student that indicates use of a language other than English must be assessed to determine the student’s English language proficiency. Please notify district staff responsible for the next steps immediately and when ready, keep this form in the student’s permanent records.