



Veritas Prep Charter School Tiered Focused Monitoring Review: ELE Program

On March 19, 2021 the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's (DESE's) Office of Language Acquisition will conduct a Tiered Focused Monitoring Review of Veritas Preparatory Charter School (VPCS). The Office of Language Acquisition reviews each district's and charter school's ELE program every six years to monitor compliance with federal and state English learner education laws and regulations. Areas of review will include English learners' student assessments, identification of English learners; what programs English learners are placed in, parent and community involvement, curriculum and instruction, student support services, licensure requirements for faculty, staff and administration, program plans, and evaluation and recordkeeping.

In addition to the state audit, parent communication is an important part of the review process. The review chairperson from the Office of Language Acquisition will send a survey to the parents of students whose records the review team examines. The survey focuses on key areas of their child's English learner education program. Survey results will contribute to the monitoring report.

Parents and other individuals may call Coleen Thomas-DeBari, Office of Language Acquisition Review Chairperson, at (781) 338-6236 to request a telephone interview. If an individual requires an accommodation, such as translation, to participate in an interview, DESE will make the necessary arrangements.

Within approximately 60 business days of the interview, the review chairperson will provide VPCS with a report with information about areas in which VPCS meets or exceeds regulatory requirements and areas in which the school requires assistance to correct or improve practices. The report will be available to the public at <http://www.doe.mass.edu/ell/cpr/?section=reports>.