

dropout rate of ELs, school districts must create and devise an equitable system for evaluating foreign school records, including transcripts. By utilizing the information gleaned from personal interviews with stakeholders coupled with other educational resources, educators will be able to assist in building a bridge to make EL students college or career ready.

Annually, EL counselors at DeKalb International Welcome Center evaluate an average of 1,100 foreign transcripts, which forges a graduation pathway for the 38% of ELs that graduate in DeKalb County School District.

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