



Mrs. Ross'

Enlightening ESOL Exposé

Thomas County Schools



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Teachers, Thank you SO much for working with me while I move my schedule around to better suite our students. My purpose is to serve our students as effectively and efficiently as possible, and I hope that the schedule change for HNH, GP, and TCMS will help accomplish that.

9/23	9/24	9/25	9/26	9/27	9/30	9/12	10/1	10/2	10/3	10/4
No TCCHS Class		No Class at HNH		No Classes @ HNH, GP, TCMS			No Classes at TCMS	No Class ALL Day		No Classes @ HNH, GP, TCMS

Useful Information

Notes

- Thank you for your help in looking over your ESOL student's **Testing Accommodations**. I will be coming around to you in the next two weeks to get signatures on needed documentation.
- **ELLis Essentials** and **ELLis Academics** is a computer program that supports language acquisition of ELs. I have entered all the TCMS and TCCHS students into this program and hope to get it up and running soon.
- There are many **cognates** in the Spanish and English vocabulary. Cognates are words in different languages that have the same origins, sound similar, and mean the same thing. For example: temperature - temperature and legislator - legislador For a full list, by academic subject, please visit:
<http://tinyurl.com/kdm697b>

Wahoo!!! We have TransAct!



TransAct is the computer software program that has pre-generated native language letters over various topics. I e-mailed several letters last week (parent-teacher meeting notices, etc.) Please let me know if you didn't get it OR if you need anything else sent home in your ESOL student's native language. I would be more than happy to help!!

Awesome Apps

What to learn Spanish? Download this App and learn a word a day. It will even quiz you.

Spanish Word A Day
By: VocabAhead



Just how many ELs do we have?

Currently Thomas County serves **67 EL students!** **19 of those students** are monitored which means their grades and progress is carefully looked into and the teacher is still supported; however, they do not receive any direct ESOL teacher support. That leaves **48 ESOL students**, k-12, from countries all over the world!

For resources and helpful tips visit my website: www.RossESOL.weebly.com!