2016 ELPA21 Proficiency Descriptors

Emerging

- **ELPA21 Official**  Students are Emerging when they have not yet attained a level of English language skill necessary to produce, interpret, and collaborate on grade-level content-related academic tasks in English. This is indicated on ELPA21 by attaining a profile of Levels 1 and 2 in all four domains. Students scoring Emerging on ELPA21 are eligible for ongoing program support.

- **Oregon “family friendly” version**  Emerging – A student at the Emerging level does not yet have the ability produce grade-level academic content in the English language. For the ELPA21 annual assessment, this means the student scores either Level 1 or Level 2 in each of the four domains of reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Progressing

- **ELPA21 Official**  Students are Progressing when, with support, they approach a level of English language skill necessary to produce, interpret, and collaborate, on grade-level content-related academic tasks in English. This is indicated on ELPA21 by attaining a profile with one or more domain scores above Level 2 that does not meet the requirements to be Proficient. Students scoring Progressing on ELPA21 are eligible for ongoing program support.

- **Oregon “family friendly” version**  Progressing – A student at the Progressing level is approaching the ability produce grade-level academic content in the English language with support. For the ELPA21 annual assessment, this means the student scores above a Level 2 on one or more domains, but does not yet meet the requirements to be at the Proficient level on the four domains of reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Proficient

- **ELPA21 Official**  Students are Proficient when they attain a level of English language skill necessary to independently produce, interpret, collaborate on, and succeed in grade-level content-related academic tasks in English. This is indicated on ELPA21 by attaining a profile of Level 4 or higher in all domains. Once Proficient on ELPA21, students can be considered for reclassification.

- **Oregon “family friendly” version**  Proficient – A student at the Proficient level can produce grade-level academic content in the English language. For the ELPA21 annual assessment, this means the student scores either Level 4 or Level 5 on each of the four domains of reading, writing, listening, and speaking.