

VITAL ENL CONTACTS

Catlin Tucker Catlin has written a series of bestselling books on blended learning, which include *Balance With Blended Learning*, *Blended Learning In Action*, *Power Up Blended Learning*, and *Blended Learning In Grades 4-12*.

Esther Park Mrs. Park is an ESL teacher, and It is her joy and passion to help educators give the gift of language and empower all students to believe they CAN. She is a lover of technology who likes to share her tech ideas with other educators, [\(3\) Fostering Interaction in a Digital Landscape with Esther Park - YouTube](#)

Confianza Currently, I run my own consulting organization, Confianza (which means "mutual trust and respect" Spanish), to guide others in their change efforts based on the framework from my book, *The Language Lens, 2nd Edition*. I believe at any stage of our careers, we are truly never done learning and need to come to any collaboration with humility. I certainly have more to learn and I love learning with other educators. With this in mind, I offer you some resources that you may find helpful to dig into for your journey as an ELL advocate.

SupportEd LLC - Many teachers and administrators struggle with how to effectively teach their English Learners challenging content while these students are learning academic English. **Diane Staehr-Fenner's MLL Resource Library** and her **SupportEd team** provide guidance to teachers so that their ELLs/MLLs will achieve academic success. Her company, **SupportEd**, is certified in NYS state as a **woman-owned business**. She has also written **several well known books** for administrators and teachers of ELLs.

Lynn Shafer Willner- Dr. Lynn Shafer Willner designs language standards for Multilingual learners, conducts related research and creates guidelines. She is a member of the **WIDA Assessment Team**. Lynn has been instrumental in advancing the WIDA ELD Standards Framework, including the development of digital tools. She has also authored a **variety of articles**.

DRG Associates- This consulting company creates websites, blog and newsletters for ENL professionals. They have also participated in online courses designed to assist in teaching ELLs/MLLs. Their websites include: **ENL in the News**, **The Northern ENL PLC** and **The ESL Rural Mural**.

Valentina Gonzalez A former ELL, Valentina writes the **Rooted Linguistics/ English Language Learners Blog**. She was previously a Professional Development Specialist for English Language Learners in Texas. She is now a consultant. She also is creator/moderator for a national Facebook group called **Advocating for English Language Learners**, Free Infographics [Here](#)

Colorin Colorado - Administrators play a crucial role in creating an environment in which ELLs can succeed. This section offers school leaders — particularly those with new ELL populations — ideas and strategies to make that happen. Resources include articles, recommended reports, professional books, and expert interviews. If you're looking for ideas on how to effectively teach English language learners in all grades, you've come to the right place! Translated into Spanish, too.

Larry Ferlazzo's Websites of the Day - Larry is an ESL teacher in California. He is very prolific and writes a blog for Education Week http://blogs.edweek.org/teachers/classroom_qa_with_larry_ferlazzo/ and the New York Times <https://learning.blogs.nytimes.com/author/larry-ferlazzo/?mcubz=0>

Laura Stevens Website - Developed by an ENL teacher in the northern region of NYS, this site, My ENL Page, offers helpful information including scaffolding for the content areas, co-teaching tips and models, ENL program best practices, and professional development.

Honigsfeld and Maria G.Dove - Drs. Honigsfeld and Dove are known as national leaders in the development of co-teaching seminars for teachers and administrators. They have done extensive research and have written books about collaboration and co-teaching which are available through Corwin Press. Andrea Honigsfeld web page: [Andrea Honigsfeld – Educator, Author and Consultant specializing in teacher training for English Language Learners – Educator, Author and Consultant](#)

Carol Salva Carol is a **Seidlitz Education** consultant, author and former ESL teacher in Texas who specializes in Newcomers and SIFE. Here is an article outlining her work with high school ELLs: <http://theleadernews.com/esl-students-refugees-learn-hands-on-at-heights-restaurant/>

Tan Huynh Tan, a former refugee, has a website called Empowering ELLs Website. He is currently working at Vientiane International School, an International Baccalaureate World School, where he is the head of the EAL department for the secondary school.

Jennifer Gonzalez [Jennifer has created](#) a vibrant, encouraging, stimulating community of teachers, supporting each other toward excellence.

Kate Kinsella - Here are many of her excellent resources for teaching Academic Vocabulary.

Margo Gottlieb - is Co-founder and Lead Developer for WIDA at the Wisconsin Center for Education Research, University of Wisconsin- Madison, having also served as Director, Assessment and Evaluation, for the Illinois Resource Center.

Judie Haynes- Everything ESL Judie is a former ESL teacher from New Jersey and a consultant, author and speaker. Among many other activities, she wrote several books, a TESOL Blog, and moderated an ESL Chat on Twitter every Monday night. Her website was called Everything ESL.

Ellevation Education - Ellevation offers educators a detailed look at English Learners. Using Ellevation, educators can review a student's proficiency level, accommodations and more, and monitor current, reclassified, and exited students. Imagine that: all the information in one place, available anytime/anywhere.

Education Week, Learning the Language - Veteran education reporter Corey Mitchell investigates the educational, policy, and social issues surrounding ELs in US schools. Join him now as he delves into these timely issues.

NYS TESOL - NYS TESOL is an association of professionals concerned with the education of English language learners at all levels of public and private education in New York State. Their interests include classroom practices, research, program and curriculum development, employment, funding, and legislation.

TESOL International- TESOL International Association's mission is to advance professional expertise in English language teaching and learning for speakers of other languages worldwide.

Katie Knapp [English as a New Language at LHS \(google.com\)](#) Katie has emerged as a leader in the Central New York area. As the ENL Supervisor at Liverpool CSD she has a website and a very active Twitter page where she post many samples of actual ENL classroom strategies in action.

Jenna Sacco [ENL with Miss Sacco \(google.com\)](#) Jenna is a Middle School ENL teacher in Central New York. She posts frequently on Twitter and has created a wonderful website for staff, parents and her community.

RBERNS The Purpose of the RBERNs is to establish resources through a coordinated system of timely technical assistance, training, information, and PD to districts/school to improve their instructional programs and practices for ELLs . Portrait

NYStatewide RBERN Resources to help educators with the diverse educational needs of English Language Learners (ELLs) and World Languages.. **New: Portrait of a Graduate:**
<https://www.chalkbeat.org/newyork/2025/07/14/new-york-board-of-regents-exam-portrait-graduate-requirements/>

Simply Lieva Originally from Lithuania, Lieva has been on both sides of the table – as an English learner and now as the teacher of multilingual students.

50 Essential Resources for ELL Students If English is not your first language, there are a variety of ENL resources online to help you learn the English language. From speaking to writing, these tools will help you improve your English and improve understanding in your content classes.

ESL Rural Mural The mission of the [ESL Rural Mural](#) is to create an online space where rural and suburban administrators with a variety of training and expertise in ELL/MLL education come together to learn more through a support system that shares ideas, collaborates and networks from a common understanding and respect they have for the EN/LMLL field and for each other.