

Alternative Language Services

Freedom Academy

This letter has been sent to inform you that your child, _____, has been accepted into the Alternative Language Services (ALS) program at Freedom Academy.

S/he is participating for 20 minutes per day, four days a week. S/he studies Language Arts in a computer lab using a computer program based upon researched principles of education and a personal assessment taken at the beginning of the year.

This program is one of the most important parts of your child's education, for if a student is unsuccessful in reading comprehension or reading fluency, it affects every other area of learning.

We understand that the vast majority of the students accepted into this specific program speak and understand English to a high degree. Yet, these students do lack in specific areas upon which the computer program called "Imagine Learning" focuses. We take into account the annual Utah State test results, also. (Criterion-Referenced Test / Utah Academic Language Proficiency Assessment) Students that receive a grade of advanced on the UALPA and a grade of 2B or higher on the CRT do not need to participate in the ALS program.

Teachers have been and will continue to be trained in accommodating all students in the classroom. Teachers will accommodate students based upon individual needs. Students will not be missing Language Arts, Math, History, or Science. Teachers will notify parents of the curriculum the student will be missing.

Your child will continue in the school's ALS program until reaching a specific level on the Utah State testing.

If you have questions, please contact on us.

Sincerely,

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