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Learn English and Attend College



English as a Second Language (ESL)

The **College English as a Second Language Program** at RCSJ-Cumberland is designed to provide non-native speakers of the English language with the opportunity to learn English and attend college. Its primary function is to help prepare students for college-level courses, and ultimately a degree in their chosen field of study. However, the program also provides instruction in English for adults who are interested in improving their English skills for personal satisfaction or for their current jobs.

Courses

- There are two levels of instruction, high-intermediate and advanced, with two courses in each.
- **EL-030 Listening & Speaking III** and **EL-035 Reading & Writing III** are taken together in a 15-week session (one semester).
- **EL-040 Listening & Speaking IV** and **EL-045 Reading & Writing IV** are taken together in a 15-week session (one semester).
- Each course meets in person for 1.5 hours per week.
- Each course uses Blackboard, an online system, to practice and complete assignments.
- Courses are English immersion.
- All ages and nationalities take courses together.
- After successfully completing Level IV, students are college-ready!

ESL Resource Center

The ESL Resource Center provides tutoring services and computer-assisted language learning for second-language students. It is located on the 2nd floor of the Arpino Building. One-on-one tutoring as well as group tutoring is available. There are also several computer software programs designed to assist students with reading, writing, grammar, listening & speaking and pronunciation needs. Please contact the Center's facilitator, Ms. Alice Soto, at 856-200-4519 for more information.



Four Registration Steps

1. Complete the free RCSJ Application at [RCSJ.edu](https://www.rcsj.edu)
2. If eligible, complete the free app for financial aid at [www.FAFSA.gov](https://www.fafsa.gov)
3. Take the ESL-ACCUPLACER Assessment by calling 856-200-4685 for test dates and times.
4. Contact the ESL Department to discuss your results and choose your classes.

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