



State of Arizona  
Department of Education  
Office of English Language Acquisition Services

**Primary Home Language Other Than English (PHLOTE)  
Home Language Survey**

This question is in compliance with A.R.S. §15-756. *Identification of English Language Learners*

Your response to the following question will be used to determine whether your student will be assessed for English language proficiency:

**“What is the primary language of the student?”**

**Language:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/ Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

(For Office Use Only)

**Student ID:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SAIS ID:**

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**Instructions for Administering the  
Primary Home Language Other Than English (PHLOTE)  
Home Language Survey**

1. The parent(s) and/or guardian(s) of newly-enrolled students must be asked the question: “**What is the primary language of the student?**”
2. If the response to this question is ANY language other than English, then the student must be assessed with the Arizona English Language Learner Assessment (AZELLA).
3. The “PHLOTE-Home Language Survey” shall be revised as of July 1, 2009.
  - This official Arizona Department of Education (ADE) form is the only verification for language that is to be in every school’s registration packet.
  - There is no need to have this language verification information duplicated on the school enrollment form.
4. A copy of the completed “PHLOTE-Home Language Survey” shall be included in the student’s Cumulative (CUM) file.
5. This official Arizona Department of Education (ADE) form cannot be modified or changed in any way.
6. If the Local Educational Agency (LEA) [district or charter school] has any additional information that must be captured, the LEA may create its own additional form.
  - This LEA-created form (in whole or in part) **may not be used** in the eligibility determination process of assessing a student for English language proficiency.
7. A new “PHLOTE-Home Language Survey” does not have to be completed annually.

As noted on the document front, any language (**other than English**) entered on this form, is the language that should be accurately entered into the “Student Accountability Information System” (SAIS) via an LEA’s *Student Management System*.