

Data collection for WACE English language competence

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Schools have asked questions about the recording of student achievement of English language competence (ELC) for the WACE this year.

The first thing to note is SIRS will default to show that students who have achieved a C grade or better in a unit of either English or EAL/D, or a grade of C in English Literature (E005) in Year 12 have achieved the ELC standard. As a result, schools need only check the appropriate field on their student database if a student has achieved ELC by work samples.

For SIS and MAZE schools

The recording of the English language competence standard has been provided in the SIS and MAZE software. Questions relating to this should be directed to the appropriate SIS or MAZE help desk.

For other schools

The record format for student registration and demographic information combined file for schools using Microsoft Excel can be found on the Curriculum Council website at http://www.curriculum.wa.edu.au/internet/Communications/Publications/WACE_Procedures. The website version of sections 5.2.3 and 5.3.3 is the most up-to-date information and replaces the same sections of the WACE procedures manual.

The field indicating English language competence (ELC) standard will form part of the student registration and demographic file (SRGDG). When a school uploads this file to the Curriculum Council database, SIRS will be updated with the ELC standard. It is recommended that schools upload the file containing the ELC standard on or before 5 November 2008.