

# WIDA Alignment Overview

## How Ellii supports WIDA-aligned K-12 English language programs

Ellii (formerly ESL Library) holds the **WIDA PRIME V2 Correlation Seal**, awarded following an independent review by a certified WIDA PRIME Correlator. This document summarizes how Ellii aligns with the WIDA Standards Framework and what that means for your ELL program.

WIDA PRIME (Protocol for Review of Instructional Materials for ELLs) is an independent review process developed by WIDA to help educators evaluate whether instructional materials align with the WIDA Standards Framework. A certified PRIME Correlator reviewed Ellii's full library of online lessons in early 2021, examining four major framework areas: Asset-Based Philosophy, Academic Language, Performance Definitions, and Standards & Scaffolding.

## How Ellii Aligns with WIDA Standards

WIDA Area	Summary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Asset-Based Philosophy</b></li> </ul>	<p>Materials are asset-based and reflect a wide range of student backgrounds. Customizable flashcard sets and diverse lesson themes honor students' identities.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Academic Language (All 3 Dimensions)</b></li> </ul>	<p>Discourse, sentence, and word/phrase dimensions are addressed consistently at every level. Vocabulary is taught in context and lesson structure is systematic throughout.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>All 4 Language Domains</b></li> </ul>	<p>Listening, speaking, reading, and writing are integrated in every lesson at every proficiency level.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>ELD Proficiency Levels</b></li> </ul>	<p>Ellii's ELD levels 1-5+ map directly to WIDA's six-level scale. Levels are visible in teacher account settings.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Higher-Order Thinking</b></li> </ul>	<p>Discussion prompts promote Bloom's taxonomy-level thinking from Low Intermediate through Advanced, systematically included throughout the library.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Language Functions</b></li> </ul>	<p>A wide range of functions (describing, defining, arguing, explaining) are incorporated into communicative goals across materials.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓛ <b>K-12 State Academic Standards</b></li> </ul>	<p>Ellii does not reference specific state standards by name. The Academic Subjects collection is tagged across all five WIDA ELD content standard areas (Social/Instructional, Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies).</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓛ <b>Grade Bands</b></li> </ul>	<p>Grade band display is available in teacher account settings. Ellii continues to improve accuracy across grade band designations.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓛ <b>Scaffolding between Levels</b></li> </ul>	<p>Each lesson targets a specific proficiency level, so no adaptation is needed. Structured progression is available through Ellii Up courses, YL Study Packs, and Solo Pathways.</p>

● **Strongly Aligned**    Ⓛ **Partially Aligned**

## Ellii’s ELD Levels

Ellii’s ELD levels align with WIDA’s six-level scale. Levels 5 and 6 are combined into a single Advanced tier (ELD 5+), as the instructional distinction between Bridging and Reaching is minimal

#	WIDA Level	Ellii ELD Level
1	Level 1 — Entering	ELD 1
2	Level 2 — Emerging	ELD 2
3	Level 3 — Developing	ELD 3
4	Level 4 — Expanding	ELD 4
5	Level 5 — Bridging	ELD 5+ (Advanced)*
6	Level 6 — Reaching	ELD 5+ (Advanced)*

**\*Note:**

Ellii combines WIDA Levels 5 and 6 into ELD 5+ (Advanced).

### Does Ellii align to our state’s academic content standards?

Ellii does not reference specific state standards by name, and our materials are not formally mapped to state academic content standards. However, our Academic Subjects Collection is tagged by all five WIDA ELD content standard areas — Social/Instructional, Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies — making it easy for teachers to find content that aligns with those content domains

### How does Ellii handle grade bands?

Teachers can enable grade band display in their account settings. Content spans Young Learners through Adult. Ellii Up courses are recommended for high school ELL programs. Grade band accuracy continues to be refined.

## Ellii's ELD Levels cont.

### How does Ellii support students progressing between proficiency levels?

Because each lesson is purpose-built for a specific proficiency level, teachers can assign exactly the right material without adapting it. For structured progression across levels, Ellii offers Ellii Up (high school sequential courses), YL Study Packs (progressive packs for younger learners), and Solo Pathways (student-paced progressions).

- Ellii holds the WIDA PRIME V2 Correlation Seal from an independent, certified review.
- Materials are asset-based and integrate all four language domains at every proficiency level.
- ELD proficiency levels (1-5+) map directly to WIDA's six-level scale; visible in teacher settings.
- The Academic Subjects Collection covers all five WIDA ELD content standard areas.
- Grade band filtering is available in teacher account settings.
- Ellii is designed to supplement and complement core curriculum, not replace it.

Full WIDA PRIME V2 Correlation report:  
[ellii.com/blog/wida-prime-correlation-esl-library](https://ellii.com/blog/wida-prime-correlation-esl-library)