**Common Core for English Language Learners: Equity Audit Table**

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| **CCSS Implementation Consideration** | **Questions to Ask: To What Degree…** | **Response** | **Action Items** |
| [Role of ESL teacher](http://blog.colorincolorado.org/2013/05/07/tesol-report-the-changing-role-of-the-esl-teacher/) | Are ESL teachers working as experts and consultants & collaborating with general education teachers in implementing the CCSS? | Not at all  Somewhat  Extensively |  |
| [Instructional materials & curriculum](http://blog.colorincolorado.org/2013/09/11/common-core-for-ells-resource-roundup/) | Are CCSS-based instructional materials & curriculum appropriate for ELLs? | Not at all  Somewhat  Extensively |  |
| [Professional development](http://blog.colorincolorado.org/2013/10/18/common-core-and-ells-planning-professional-development-for-colleagues-part-1/) | Does Common Core PD focus on preparing *all* teachers to implement the CCSS for ELLs? | Not at all  Somewhat  Extensively |  |
| [Assessment](http://blog.colorincolorado.org/2013/06/27/assessment-of-ells-on-the-ccss/) | Are teachers aware of demands of CCSS assessments for ELLs & adjust instruction? Are they using effective accommodations with ELLs in instruction and assessment? | Not at all  Somewhat  Extensively |  |
| [EL parent outreach](http://www.colorincolorado.org/common-core/parents/) | Are ELL parents aware of implications of CCSS and their assessments? | Not at all  Somewhat  Extensively |  |
| [Teacher evaluation](http://blog.colorincolorado.org/2012/12/12/evaluating-teachers-of-ells-in-the-age-of-the-ccss/) | Is teacher evaluation for all teachers inclusive of ELs accessing the CCSS? | Not at all  Somewhat  Extensively |  |

Note: The concept is adapted from Betty J. Alford & Mary Catherine Niño’s “equity audit,” which appears in [*Leading Academic Achievement for English Language Learners: A Guide for Principals* (Corwin 2011).](http://www.sagepub.com/books/Book234684/features)