ELIGIBILITY FOR ENROLMENT guidelines

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE SUBJECTS

This information sheet advises schools of the eligibility policy for students enrolling in Stage 1 or Stage 2 English as a second language subjects.

English as a second language (ESL) subjects in the SACE are designed for students who speak English as a second language or as an additional language or dialect, and whose English language proficiency is restricted.

All students who want to enrol in a SACE ESL subject will be required to apply to the SACE Board for eligibility.

The three ESL subjects for which student eligibility must be determined are:

* Stage 1 English as a Second Language
* Stage 2 English as a Second Language
* Stage 2 English as Second Language Studies.

The Eligibility for Enrolment form ([Form 6](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au/documents/652891/dee54071-f935-430a-8820-080e6075d9d4?v=1)) is due at the SACE Board by Friday 20 February. The Eligibility for Enrolment forms of Stage 1 students who enrol in an ESL subject for the first time in Semester 2 are due at the SACE Board on Wednesday 5 August.

Eligibility Policy

A student is eligible to enrol in an ESL subject if he or she is a student for whom English is a second language or an additional language or a dialect, and who has had a total of:

either

no more than 5 years of full-time schooling where the medium of instruction was English

or

more than 5 years of full-time schooling where the medium of instruction was English, and whose knowledge of English is restricted or who is resident and studying in an overseas country.

Application for Eligibility

Stage 1

All students who want to enrol in Stage 1 ESL must apply for eligibility.

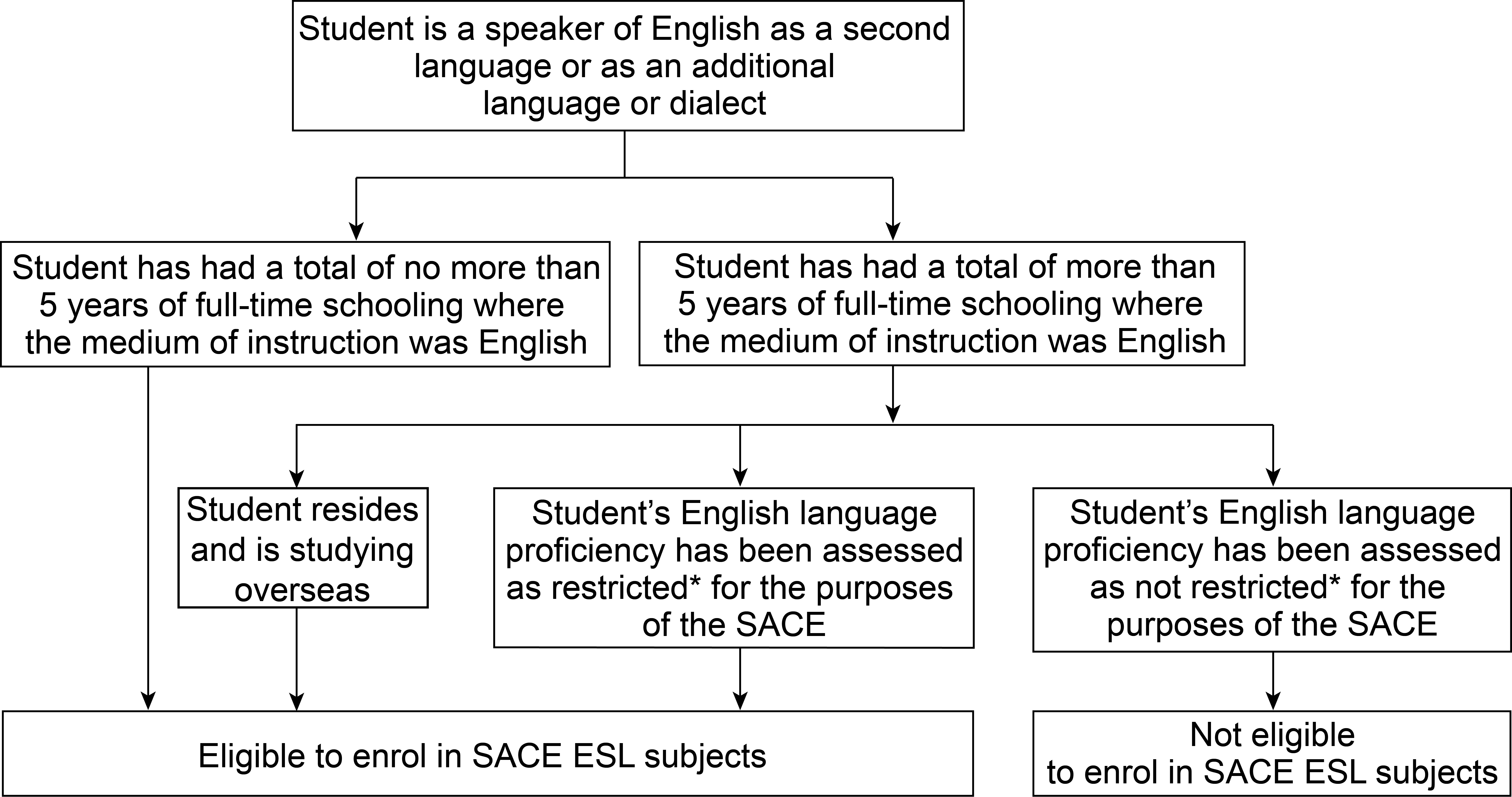
Stage 2

Students who were granted eligibility for enrolment in Stage 1 ESL are automatically eligible for enrolment in a Stage 2 ESL subject and need not reapply.

Students who did not apply for eligibility to enrol in a Stage 1 ESL subject, or who applied but were not granted eligibility, may apply for eligibility to enrol in a Stage 2 ESL subject.

Students must apply at Stage 2 if they are entering the SACE at Stage 2.

ESL Eligibility



\*According to Language and Literacy Levels across the Australian Curriculum: EALD Students <www.decd.sa.gov.au/literacy/pages/esl > Language and Literacy Levels, students operating above Level 11 in Stage 1 and above Level 12 in Stage 2 are ineligible for SACE ESL subjects.

Appeal process

Students who believe that their eligibility to undertake a SACE ESL subject has been inappropriately assessed may request a review from the Chief Executive of the SACE Board.

BREACH OF RULES

It is a breach of the rules if students provide incorrect or misleading information in support of their Eligibility for Enrolment application. Such students may be withdrawn from the subject or have their result in the subject removed from official SACE Board records.

More Information

For more information on eligibility for enrolment in Stage 1 and Stage 2 ESL subjects, contact the relevant SACE Board Officer.