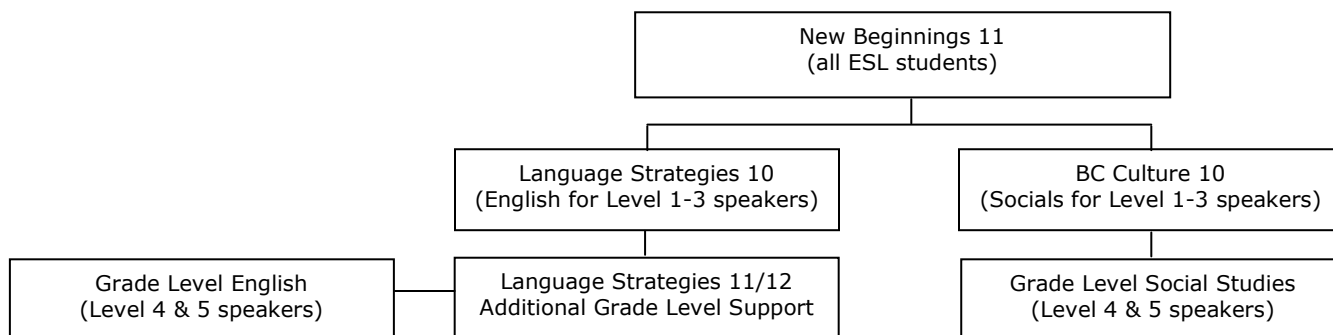


## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Our School District values a diversity of educational programs to assure both equity and success for all learners. The District ESL Philosophy embraces the following provincial Principles of Learning:

- Learning requires the active participation of the student
- People learn in a variety of ways and at different rates
- Learning is both an individual and group process

At Seycove, we provide support for ESL students through 3 ESL classes: Language Strategies 10, BC Culture 10, and New Beginnings 11. All ESL students will take New Beginnings 11. Placement in Language Strategies and BC Culture will depend on language level.



## COURSES

### **ESL - Language Strategies 10 (YESFL0B)**

This course focuses on preparing ESL/International students for senior academic English courses. This course is designed to enable students to learn strategies and extend skills in the four main language areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking. It focuses on providing students with opportunities to acquire and practice the strategies necessary for successful reading, research, and writing across the curriculum.

### **ESL - BC Culture 10 (YESFL0A)**

This course introduces ESL students to the culture of historical and modern day British Columbia. ESL students will broaden and deepen their knowledge of the four essential English skills areas necessary for active citizenship: reading, writing, listening, and speaking, as they examine the local culture.

### **ESL - New Beginnings 11 (YESFL1A)**

This course is designed to help prepare new International and ESL Students to be academically successful in the Canadian school system and to live happily and independently in Canadian society. Through students' active participation, this course will help them to tap into useful resources. It will also help students to improve their personal and cultural identity, to increase their awareness of multiculturalism and to develop an appreciation of the Canadian culture.

### **ESL - Language Strategies 11/12 (YESFL1B)/(YESFL2B)**

This is a two-credit course offered to students who no longer require direct ESL or Transition classes. The class will meet regularly. The course is designed to enable students to extend their use of strategies and skills in the four main areas of listening, speaking, reading, and writing, across all curricula. This course is highly recommended for students who wish to achieve more success in their regular English classes. Regular attendance is mandatory to receive a letter grade and percentage for this course.