

APPENDIX A

Student Language Background Survey: English Version [This form will be available both in English and Spanish]

Your answers to these questions about your language background will be used as part of a research study about testing accommodations sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and carried out by the Regional Educational Laboratory West (REL West) at WestEd. If you have questions about the study or this survey, please contact Carole Gallagher at (415)-615-3211 or at cgallag@wested.org.

We estimate that it will take you about 5 minutes to complete this survey. Remember, there are no right or wrong answers, and you will not be graded on this task. Your participation is voluntary and you may refuse to answer any question.

For each question below, please fill in the blank with the information that best describes you.

1) My current grade is _____.

2) I am Male _____ Female _____ (check one).

3) I was born in ______ (name of country).

- 4) I lived there for _____ years.
- 5) I also lived in ______ (name of country) for _____ years.

6) I have lived in the United States for _____ years.

7) I have attended these grades in the U.S.: ______.

8) We speak these languages in my home: ______.

Thank you for your time!

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In accordance with The Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, Title I, Part E, Section 183, responses to this data collection will be used only for statistical purposes. The reports prepared for this study will summarize findings across the sample and will not associate responses with a specific district or individual. We will not provide information that identifies you or your district to anyone outside the study team, except as required by law.