



Empowering Our Community Through Comprehensive Strategies.

DATA FEATURE

Education: English Language Learners

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of students were English Language Learners in the Sioux City Community School District for the 2022-23 school year; up from 21% the previous school year. - IOWA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, 2024

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of students were English Language Learners in the South Sioux City Community School District for the 2022-23 school year; up from 21.77% the previous school year. - NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, 2024



STUDENT LANGUAGE SERVICES: PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES IN SIOUXLAND

In 2022-23, 22.1% of students in the Sioux City Community School District (SCCSD) were English Language Learners (ELL), more than triple the Iowa state average of 6.9%. SCCSD has seen a steady rise in ELL enrollment—from 18.4% in 2018-19 to 23.2% in 2023-24—reflecting consistent demographic shifts in the student population. South Sioux City Community Schools (SSCCSD) reported a similar pattern, with ELL rates growing from 18.21% in 2018-19 to 23.1% in 2022-23, well above Nebraska’s statewide rate of 8.37%. These trends suggest sustained growth in linguistic diversity across both districts. The increasing percentages highlight a growing demand for bilingual education, cultural support services, and targeted instructional resources in both Iowa and Nebraska's portions of the Siouxland area.

ABOUT US

Source For Siouxland is a collaborative, strategic community planning initiative for a vibrant, safe, and healthy Siouxland. We measure the Economic Stability, Education, Health, Safety, and Quality of Life of the Siouxland Area in order to identify opportunities to build a stronger and more engaged community, prioritize the opportunities, and lead collective impact teams that will improve community outcomes.

INFORMATION BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE SFS LEADERSHIP TEAM:

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