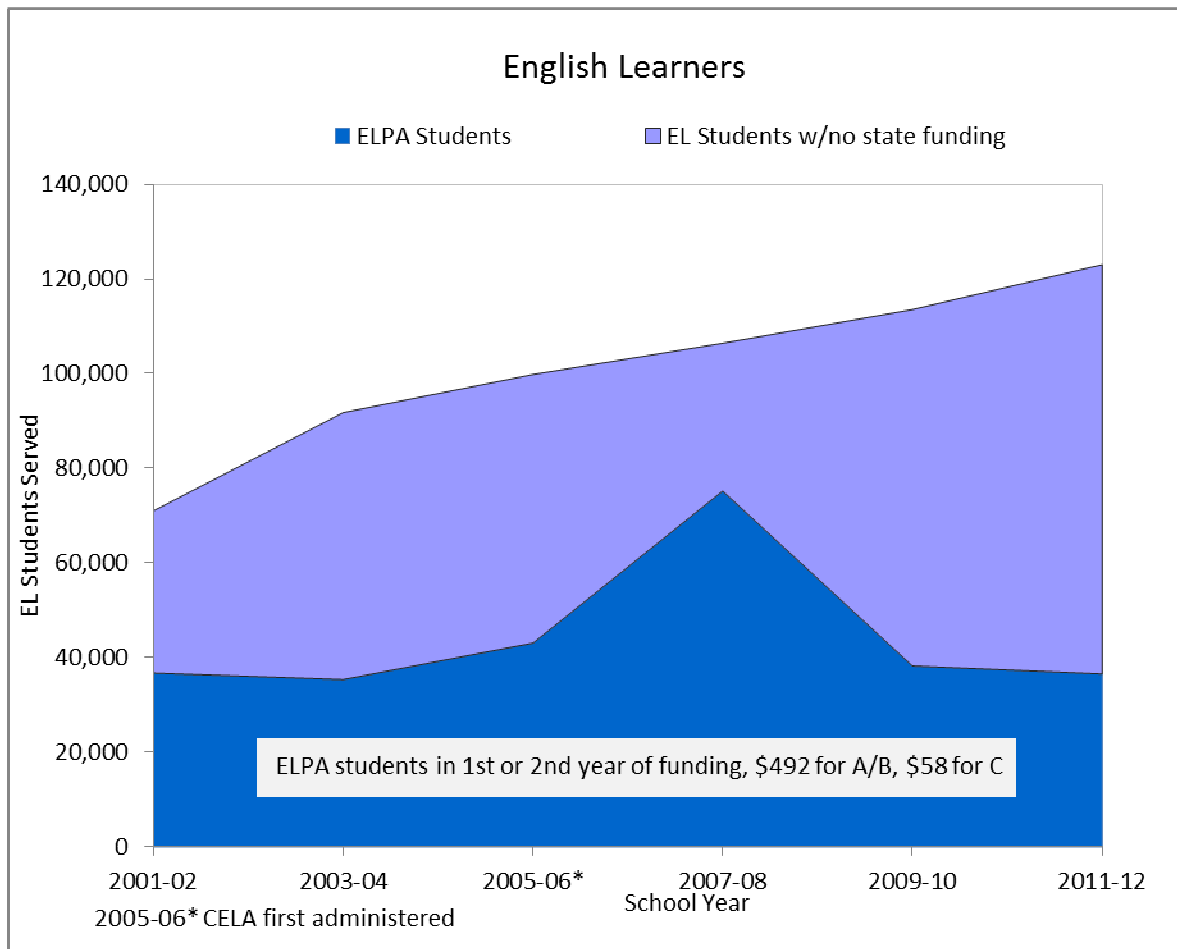


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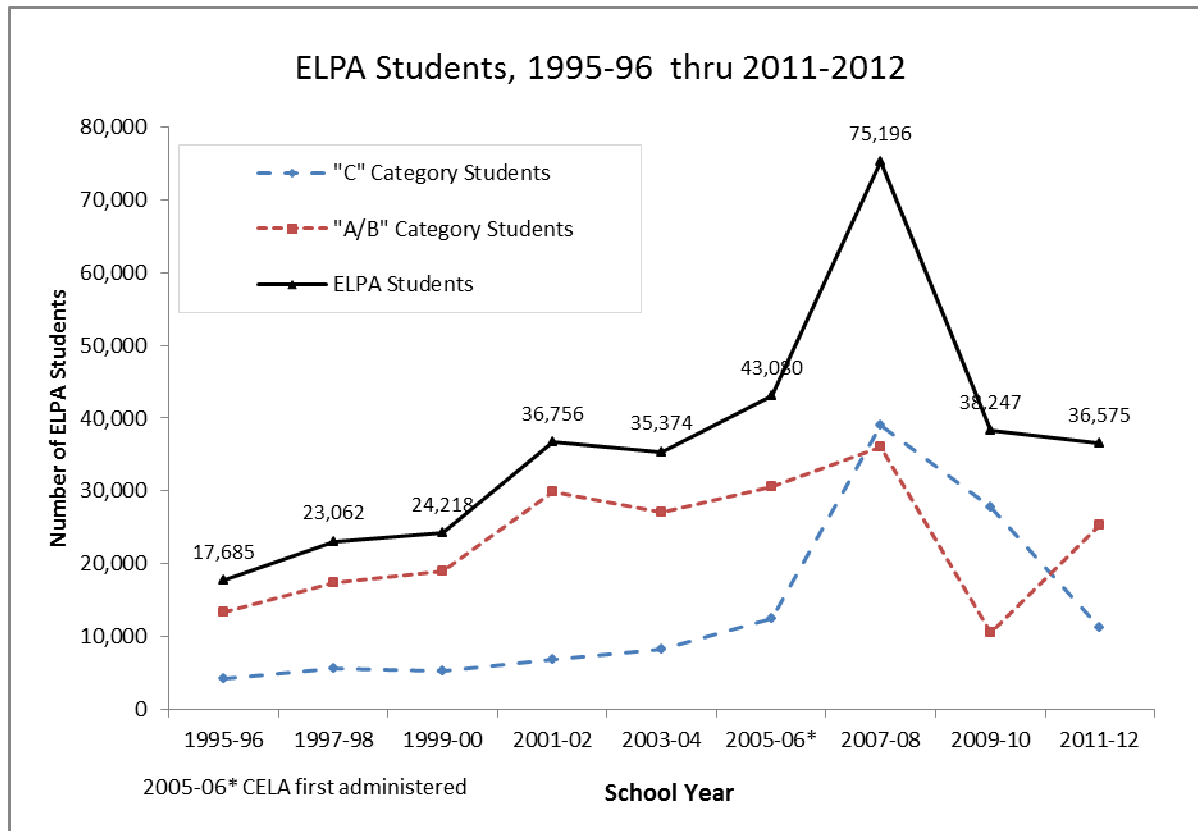


The number of English Learners (EL) in Colorado continues to rise. In 2011-12:

- 123,002 English Learners served in 138 districts, 177 languages.
- EL students increased by over 5,600 from 2010-11.
- 86,427 or 70% of EL students receive no state funding, an increase of over 4,400 students from 2010-11.
- 36,575 or 30% of ELPA students (in year 1 or 2 of funding), receive state ELPA funding, an increase of about 1,200 students from 2010-11.

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ELPA students: In 2011-12, 36,575 or 30% of total EL received funding:

- A/B increased about 600 students to 25,326. A/B students are funded at \$492 per pupil.
- C decreased about 600 students to 11,249. C students are funded at \$58 per pupil.

ELPA (English Language Proficiency Act) Student Category: (state funds for a maximum of two years)

- A/B (correlates to NEP = Non-English Proficiency):
 - A Students comprehend or speak a language other than English and do not speak English.
 - B Students comprehend or speak some English, but the predominant comprehension and speech is in a language other than English.
- C (correlates to LEP = Limited English Proficiency):
 - C Students comprehend or speak English and one or more other languages and their dominant language is difficult to determine.
 - If the student's English language development and comprehension is:
 - At or below the district mean, below the national mean or equivalent on a nationally standardized test -OR-
 - Below the acceptable proficiency level on an English language proficiency test approved by the Colorado Department of Education, then, the student may be eligible for funding under the English Language Proficiency
- No Pre-K students.