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Subject: Phone call follow up

Hi Alicia,

It was nice to chat with you this morning. To follow up on our conversation...

**MODEL Pilot at Puxi ES**

Here is what the ES group said yesterday:

"ESOL is currently piloting the WIDA test for grades 1–5. Our pilot consists of two students from each grade, one pull-out and one push-in. Based on our results we will analyze whether or not the test is accurate of our ESOL student profile at SAS. Piloting will begin on February 28th and we will meet on March 4th to discuss whether or not it will be used for Spring Testing, an admissions tool, or both. Ordering of the WIDA kits is contingent of our March 4th discussion."

Another potential problem we discussed with using the MODEL for the ESOL Spring Assessment would be that it appears to be the same test version year to year. In addition, if Admissions begins to use it, it would further lose viability since students would already have possibly seen it from the Admissions process.

**Times to Meet**

Wednesday, March 16th is a Band/Drama day for 8th grade and would be a good day for me to meet, probably Jonathan as well? Is a VC an option? I was told we would have some supervision on that day but otherwise our time would be free.

Thanks,  
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