



Seal of Biliteracy

for Eligible Graduating High School Seniors

The State Seal of Biliteracy is an award given to graduating high school students who have studied and attained proficiency in English and one or more languages.

Student Eligibility

Please read this information carefully!

It is important to understand eligibility requirements **BEFORE** the day of your exam. Graduating High School seniors are eligible if they meet the following criteria:

- 1 Complete all English-language arts requirements for graduation with an overall grade point average of 2.0 or above in those classes.

AND

- 2 Pass the 11th grade California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) for English-language arts (ELA) at or above the "standard met" level.

AND

- 3 Demonstrate proficiency in one or more language(s) in addition to English through **ONE** of the following methods:

- A. Score 3 or higher on a world language Advanced Placement (AP) exam.
- B. Score 4 or higher on a foreign language International Baccalaureate (IB) exam.
- C. Score 600 or higher on the Scholastic Assessment Test II (SAT II) foreign language examination.
- D. Successfully complete a 4-year high school course of study in a world language with a grade-point average of 3.0 or above in that course of study including **oral proficiency**.
- E. Score "proficient" level or higher on a district or county language exam that assesses speaking, reading, and writing in a language other than English.

(Note: If options A-D are not viable, the student may participate in the SCOE language exam. SCOE's exam includes reading and writing sections as well as an oral interview in the language of interest.)

Exclusive Award Benefits

- Self-adhesive, gold embossed insignia that may be affixed to the diploma or transcript of the student indicating that the student has been awarded a **State Seal of Biliteracy**
- Sacramento County Office of Education **Seal of Biliteracy** Certificate
- Opportunity to participate in a Sacramento County recognition ceremony
- Other local district recognitions may apply (check with your district contact)



Languages Offered



This year, students can choose to take an exam(s) in the following language(s):

Arabic	Hmong	Russian
Armenian	Japanese	Spanish
Cantonese*	Korean	Tagalog
Dari	Lao	Turkish
Farsi	Mandarin*	Ukrainian
French	Pashto	Urdu
German	Punjabi	Vietnamese
Hindi	Romanian	

* Chinese must specify **spoken** language.

The deadline to submit the *Intent to Participate* form required to take a language exam is **January 31, 2020.**

For more information, contact your district lead (listed below).

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