



THE CALIFORNIA STATE SEAL OF BILITERACY



What is the State Seal of Biliteracy?

The State Seal of Biliteracy is a recognition by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for graduating high school students who have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in one or more languages in addition to English. The State Seal of Biliteracy is marked by a gold seal affixed to the diploma or transcript.

How Can You Earn the California State Seal of Biliteracy?

To earn the California State Seal of Biliteracy, graduating high school seniors must demonstrate proficiency in English and one or more languages in addition to English. See reverse for details.

More Information



For more information on the State Seal of Biliteracy, visit the California Department of Education (CDE) State Seal of Biliteracy web page by scanning this QR code or typing this address into your browser:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/el/er/sealofbiliteracy.asp>

QUESTIONS?

VISIT THE CDE STATE SEAL OF BILITERACY WEB PAGE OR
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REQUIREMENTS

English Proficiency Requirements



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Complete all English Language Arts (ELA) graduation requirements with a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) or above.

Pass the ELA California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress at the "standard met" level or above.

Second Language Proficiency Requirements

Pass an Assessment:



OR



OR



Pass either an Advanced Placement (AP) exam with a three or above, an International Baccalaureate (IB) exam with a four or above, or an SAT II with a 600 or above. Or, pass a district-approved assessment of the same rigor as an AP exam.

OR

Complete Coursework:



AND



Complete a four-year high school course of study in the language with a 3.0 GPA or above.

Demonstrate oral proficiency in the language.

Additional Requirement for Students Currently Classified as English Learners:



Demonstrate English proficiency on the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California

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