

California State Seal of Biliteracy Committee



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For more information

California Department of Education:

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

College Board SAT:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sa-subject-tests>

Informational Video:

California Together Presents: The Seal of
Biliteracy—Celebrating Students of the 21st
Century

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oig2XbuVBo>



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What is the California State Seal of Biliteracy?

The California Seal of Biliteracy is a certification added to a student's high school diploma and transcript to recognize students who have studied and attained a high level of proficiency in two or more languages.





Are you bilingual or multilingual?

Do you qualify for the California State Seal of Biliteracy?

Purpose:

- Is an asset when applying to future employers and for college admission
- Enables students to be college and career ready in a global society
- Strengthen intergroup relationships, affirm the value of diversity, and honor the multiple cultures and languages of a community
- Encourage and recognize the study of world languages

English Requirements:

- Complete all high school graduation requirements
- Complete 4 years of English with a 2.0 weighted GPA or higher
- Determination of English Proficiency by earning a score of Proficient (2583) or higher on the English SBACC portion of the test in 11th grade
- Demonstrate proficiency in one or more languages other than English by fulfilling **ONE** of the options listed at right

English Learners

- Show proficiency level of 4 on ELPAC test



Language Proficiency Requirements:

Demonstrate proficiency in languages other than English by **ONE** of the following:

- Take and pass an AP Language Exam with a score of 3 or higher
- Complete 4 years of French or Spanish classes with a 3.0 weighted GPA and pass the oral proficiency exam with a score of 4 or higher
**Concurrent classes qualify*
- Take and pass approved test for languages that have no AP or SAT II test
- Take and pass the Mixteco oral exam with a score of 3 or higher
- Take and pass the SAT II Foreign Language Exam with a score of 600 or higher

Interested?

- See your counselor