

WHAT IS THE STATE SEAL OF BILITERACY?

- It is an award given by a school district per Education Code 54160, State Seal of Biliteracy. It recognizes students who have gained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading and writing in one or more languages in addition to English.
- It is a symbol of accomplishment for future employers and for college admission.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE STATE SEAL OF BILITERACY?

- To encourage students to develop biliteracy skills.
- To prepare students for the 21st Century by providing employers with a method of identifying people with language and biliteracy skills.
- To recognize and honor our rich and diverse language assets.

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*"Quality education today,
for a better tomorrow."*

AWARD COMPONENTS

- *State Seal of Biliteracy* on high school diploma
- *State Seal of Biliteracy* on high school transcript
- An award of recognition to wear during graduation ceremony

APPLICATION PROCESS

Students wishing to receive the *State Seal of Biliteracy* must submit an application form and meet the following requirements:

- Successful completion of all high school graduation requirements and an overall grade point average of 2.5
- A score of Proficient or Advanced on the California Standards Test in English Language Arts (11th grade)

AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 4 years of coursework in a foreign language with a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 (Current transcript of 1st quarter of second semester of senior year)
- A score of “3” or better on the AP (Advanced Placement) exam for a world language (Copy of grade report or current transcript)



WHERE DO I PICK UP AN APPLICATION?

You can pick up a *State Seal of Biliteracy* Application form in the ERHS Guidance Office. Please return the application to the Guidance Office.

For more information, please contact:

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