

What is the Massachusetts State Seal of Biliteracy?



The Massachusetts State Seal of Biliteracy is an award given to seniors who demonstrate proficiency in English and a World Language. If you earn the Seal, you receive a special seal on your high school diploma and are recognized during the Senior Awards Ceremony.

How do I qualify for the Seal?

To find out if you earn the Seal of Biliteracy, you will take a computer-based language exam that evaluates your World Language skills in Speaking, Writing, Reading, and Listening. In order to earn the Seal of Biliteracy, you need to earn a score of **Intermediate High** in all domains. If you score **Advanced Low** in the four domains, you qualify for the Seal of Biliteracy with Distinction. You must also have taken the ELA MCAS exam and earned a score of Meets or Exceeds.

How do I sign up?

In the fall of 2022, Ms. Nollet, the World Language Coordinator, will send a Google Form to all seniors who may be interested in qualifying for the Seal. During a PRIDE block in December, you will learn about the exam and testing requirements. Testing will occur during the school day in February 2023.

What can I do with this award?

Earning the Seal of Biliteracy demonstrates your bilingual skills to future colleges, universities, and employers. The ability to communicate in multiple languages is a valuable skill and incredibly important in many careers.

Facts:

In 2020, **7 CHS seniors** earned the Seal of Biliteracy and **7 earned the Seal of Biliteracy with Distinction.**

In 2021, **8 CHS Seniors** earned the Seal of Biliteracy and **2 earned the Seal of Biliteracy with Distinction.**

In 2022, 22 CHS seniors earned the Seal of Biliteracy!

CHS Students Have Earned the Seal in the Following World Languages:

Arabic

Estonian

French

Hindi

Korean

Mandarin Chinese

Portuguese

Russian

Spanish

Urdu