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Fitch High School awards the **Seal of Biliteracy** in recognition of students who attain proficiency in two or more languages by high school graduation. Read on for details ...

The Seal of Biliteracy is affixed to your diploma & noted on your transcript as a record of achievement.

How does this apply to me? Am I eligible? Yes, if you...

- meet English language arts graduation requirements
- demonstrate proficiency in a language other than English at “Intermediate Mid” level according to the American Council of Teachers of Foreign Language (ACTFL) standards in grade 10 or later
- are a *World Language learner, English Language Learner* or *Heritage/Native/At-home speaker*

Do I need to be enrolled in the language course at Fitch?

No, but you do need to speak, write, read and understand proficiently. Plan now for this opportunity!

How do I qualify?

Contact your World Language teacher, ELL teacher or school counselor. There are several options:

- ✓ Online AAPPL or STAMP test in French, Spanish, Arabic, Hindi and other language options - \$20.00
- ✓ IB Language B Spanish and French – ask your IB teacher or FHS IB Coordinator
- ✓ ALIRA Latin test - \$10.00
- ✓ Heritage and home languages tests – Intermediate proficiency in reading, writing, speaking, listening
- ✓ ASL testing on request

How does the Seal benefit me?

- Certifies your language proficiency
- Enhances your educational credentials and does not impact graduation status
- Recognizes your unique skills - an asset on job and college applications
- Tells potential employers that you can use language skills they need on the job
- Colleges can award credit for your FHS work and help place you in the right courses
- Proves you are a 21st century global communicator
- Helps you share your cultural traditions and enthusiasm for languages in your community

Throughout your career, globalization will become increasingly significant in daily interaction. Assure future employers and colleagues that YOU have the language skills that they need in order to remain competitive. **Earn the Seal of Biliteracy!**



Further reading: [CT State Department of Education SoBL Guidelines](#)
Seal of Biliteracy FAQs: <https://sealofbiliteracy.org/faq/>