



# Your Journey to Biliteracy: OMSD Pathway Seal of Biliteracy Award 2026-2027

A Roadmap for Ontario-Montclair School District Students and Parents

## Why Pursue the Pathway Seal of Biliteracy?



### Pathway to the State Seal

Builds a foundation for earning the California State Seal of Biliteracy in high school, offering competitive advantage for college admissions and scholarships.



### Global & 21st Century Skills

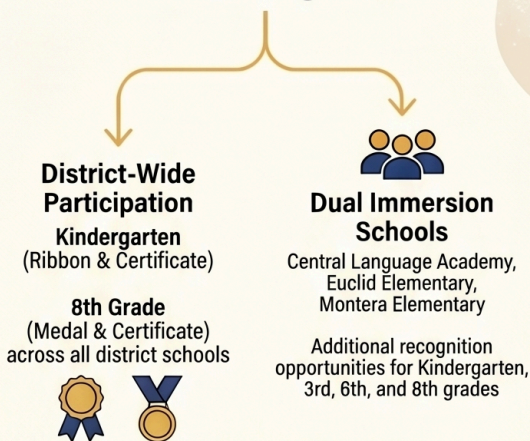
Validates use of multiple languages and prepares for a global workforce with essential communication skills.



### Honoring Achievement

Affirms positive attitudes toward multilingualism and honors rich, diverse language assets within our community.

## Who is Eligible?



## Kindergarten Criteria: "Proud to Become Bilingual"



### Demonstrate Foundational Skills

Identify and name primary colors (Red, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange, Purple, Brown, and Black) and follow three-step oral instructions.

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### Storytelling & Reading

Orally dictate a story from a picture and complete a log of books read with an adult or small group.



### Secondary Language Proficiency

Produce oral expressions using simple phrases and dictate a story in their second language.

## 8th Grade Criteria: "Middle School Biliteracy Attainment"



### 3.0 GPA Requirement

Maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher to qualify for the award.



### 15 Hours of Bilingual Service

Completion of 15 volunteer hours for the school or community that actively utilizes two or more languages.



### Written Essay & Interpretation

Write an essay on why knowing multiple languages is important and demonstrate ability to interpret from English to a second language.

## 2026-2027 Application Timeline

January 28, 2027



### Application Deadline

Final date for Kindergarten and 8th-grade parents to submit applications of intent to their school.

March 24, 2027



### Requirements Completion

All testing, reading logs, and service hours must be completed by this date.

April 9, 2027



### Notification

School sites send home approval letters to parents with recognition and ceremony information.

## Contact Information



**Multilingual Learning Office** | For questions regarding the program, call 909-459-2500 x10391 or visit [www.omsd.net](http://www.omsd.net).