

New York State Seal of Biliteracy

Where Do I Begin? The What, Why and How of the Process

The NYS Seal of Biliteracy (NYSSB) is an award that recognizes students who have studied and attained proficiency in two or more world languages (one of which must be English) by high school graduation. The NYSSB carries the highest weight on a school's "readiness measures" on the ESSA Accountability score. The weighting aligns with the NYS Regents with Advanced Designation, Advanced Placement, and International Baccalaureate exams.

This informational share is **designed for the district that does not offer** the NYS Seal of Biliteracy, however, is considering to begin the process, or would like more information before making a decision.

In this share, we will provide:

- An overview of the NYS Seal of Biliteracy.
- What to consider when making the NYS Seal of Biliteracy credential available to students.

DATE: Tuesday, September 29, 2026
TIME: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
COST: Complimentary for Subscribers; \$50.00 for Non-Subscribers
AUDIENCE: Directors of World Languages and District Level School Administrators
LOCATION: Virtual Workshop – Details will be provided by email
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