State Seal of Biliteracy

The State Seal of Biliteracy (SSB) was an initiative started by Californians Together in 2008 to acknowledge and award bilingual and multilingual students.

In 2012, California <u>Assembly Bill</u>
815 (AB 815) established the State
Seal of Biliteracy to recognize high
school graduates who have
attained a high level of proficiency
in English and one or more
languages other than English. AB
815 was amended in 2017 by
<u>Assembly Bill 1142</u> (AB 1142).

In May 2018, the California
Department of Education released
the Global California 2030 report.
The mission of this initiative is to
expand students' access to
classes, programs, and
experiences in world languages
that lead to competency in two or
more languages.

For more information, please visit the California Department of Education SSB web page at

https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/el/er/seal ofbiliteracy.asp





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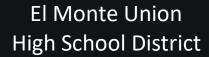
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State Seal of Biliteracy Award





By awarding the State Seal of Biliteracy, the El Monte Union High School District seeks to:

- encourage our students to develop and maintain multilingual skills;
- recognize and honor our students' rich and diverse language assets;
- promote the development of language and cultural appreciation and cross-cultural understanding;
- recognize our students' attainment of bilingual and biliteracy skills; and,
- provide employers with a method of identifying future employees with bilingual and biliteracy skills.

The State Seal of Biliteracy is awarded to graduating 12th grade students who have demonstrated proficiency in English and in one or more world languages, including Spanish, Chinese, and French.

AWARD COMPONENTS

California State Seal of Biliteracy affixed to the High School Diploma



> EMUHSD Certificate of Achievement



California Seal of Biliteracy medallion



REQUIREMENTS

To earn the State Seal of Biliteracy, graduating students must meet the following requirements:

- Complete all English language arts requirements for graduation with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or above.
- Earn a score at the "standard met" achievement level, or higher, on the 11th grade English Language Arts CAASPP.
- Achieve proficiency in one or more languages in addition to English, demonstrated through one of the following methods:
 - Earn a score of 3 or higher on the Advanced Placement (AP) examination for a world language.
 - Successfully complete a fouryear high school course of study in a world language, with an overall GPA of 3.0 or above, and demonstrate oral proficiency in the language comparable to that required to pass an AP exam.
 - c. Pass the Scholastic Assessment Test II language test with a score of 600 or higher.