



AMERICAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

STUDENT APPLICATION FOR SEAL OF BILITERACY

The Utah State Board of Education has established a Seal of Biliteracy. The recognition of attaining biliteracy becomes part of the high school transcript and a seal is placed on the student's diploma provided at graduation time. The seal serves to certify attainment of biliteracy for students, employers and universities. It is a statement of accomplishment that helps to signal evidence of a student's readiness for career and college, and for engagement as a global citizen. The following was adopted by the Board of Education:

The USBE's Seal of Biliteracy certifies attainment of a high level of proficiency by a graduating high school student in one or more languages in addition to English, and certifies that the graduate meets all of the following criteria:

- *The USBE's Seal of Biliteracy will be awarded to students who earn a Utah high school diploma and who are proficient in English and at least one world language other than English, at the Intermediate-Mid level or higher, as demonstrated through an assessment from a list to be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.*
- *For purposes of this form, "world language" means a language other than English, and includes American Sign Language and American Native Languages (Navajo, Ute, etc.)*

Directions to Applicants:

1. Complete all sections of the application. Type or print legibly all information.
2. Submit application and documentation of qualifying scores (attached copy of score reports) to the high school counselor no later than May 1st.

Name: _____ **Today's Date:** _____

Current Grade Level: _____ **Expected Year of Graduation:** _____

Name of School Counselor: _____ **World Language:** _____

To demonstrate English Language proficiency, students must meet ONE of the following:

Assessment	Qualifying Score	Date Completed and Score	Counselor Verification
ACT (English Section)	18	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ ACT Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: _____ Counselor Signature
ACCESS for ELLs (WIDA-created assessment)	5 or above	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ ACCESS Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: _____ Counselor Signature
North Western Educational Assessment	Reading 230 Language Arts 228	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ NWEA Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: _____ Counselor Signature
AP English Language and Composition	3, 4, or 5	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ AP Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: _____ Counselor Signature

To demonstrate World Language Proficiency (Non-English Language), students must meet ONE of the following:

Assessment (Must be taken during grades 9-12)	Languages offered	Minimum Score for Gold Seal (Intermediate Mid)	Date Completed and Score	Counselor Verification
Advanced Placement (AP) Language and Culture exam *	Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Spanish (not the Literature exam)	3, 4, 5	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ AP Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: Counselor Signature
ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL Measure)	Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish	Average composite score of 12 on speaking, listening, reading, and writing components.	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ AAPPL Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: Counselor Signature
Combination of OPI or OPIc (Oral Proficiency Interview by Computer) + portfolio (Not offered at ALA)	OPI offered in 80+ languages, OPIc offered in 10+ languages	Intermediate Mid	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ OPI/OPIc Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: Counselor Signature
Tribal Language Test (Not offered at ALA)	Navajo and Ute	Intermediate Mid	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: Counselor Signature
ASLPI (Not offered at ALA)	ASL	3	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ Date Completed <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Score	<input type="checkbox"/> Test score has been verified: Counselor Signature

*Students in AP World language who do not meet the proficiency requirement corresponding to the AP second language test, has the option to take AAPPL test to verify required proficiency (12:Intermediate Mid).

World Language course level you are currently enrolled in (check one):

- Dual Language Immersion Spanish
- AP World Language
- I am a heritage/native speaker

By signing below, I indicate I have provided accurate information, and understand that school officials will verify the information before the Seal of Biliteracy is awarded.

Student signature _____ **Date:** _____

Parent signature _____ **Date:** _____

For Guidance Counselor use only

Qualifications Checklist for a Utah Seal of Biliteracy:

- ___ Completed all graduation requirements for a Utah high school diploma.
- ___ Acceptable evidence of proficiency in English.
- ___ Acceptable evidence of proficiency at the Intermediate-Mid level or higher in at least one world language.

Student awarded Seal of Biliteracy? ___ Yes ___ No