



2022-2023 Arizona State Seal of Biliteracy Annual Report

On May 12, 2016, SB1239 was signed into law establishing the Arizona State Seal of Biliteracy Program. This program recognizes high school students who achieve proficiency in English and at least one additional language. The seal is placed on the student's diploma and noted on the transcript. Specific requirements are listed in A.R.S. § 15-258.

During the 2022-2023 school year, 30 local education agencies participated in the Seal of Biliteracy Program. This number included 23 school districts and seven charter schools. Five counties were represented - Coconino, Maricopa, Pinal, Navajo and Pima.

1658 seals were awarded to graduating seniors compared to 1421 for the 2022 graduating class. Of those 1658 students, 309 students were designated as English Language Learners at some point during their K-12 academic journey. 727 students attended Title 1 schools. Languages that have previously been tested but were not this year include Hebrew. New languages tested for the 2022-2023 school year include: Bengali, Macedonian, Navajo, Tagalog, Romanian, Serbian, Serbo-Croatian, and Polish.

Students earned seals in twenty-one different languages. These languages were:

- American Sign Language – 49
- Arabic – 3
- Bengali – 1
- French – 88
- Hungarian - 2
- German – 25
- Italian - 2
- Japanese – 14
- Korean - 3
- Macedonian – 1
- Mandarin – 40
- Navajo – 2
- Polish - 2
- Portuguese – 2
- Romanian – 3
- Russian - 1
- Serbian - 1
- Serbo-Croatian - 1

- Spanish – 1422
- Tagalog – 3
- Vietnamese - 1

The following assessments were used to measure proficiency in the target language:

- ACTFL Assessment of Performance Toward Proficiency (AAPPL)
- ACTFL Latin Interpretive Reading Assessment (ALIRA)
- ACTFL Speaking Assessment: The Oral Proficiency Review
- Advance Placement Exams (AP)
- ALTA Language Test
- Avant Standards-Based Measurement of Proficiency (STAMP 4S)
- Avant Standards-Based Measurement of Proficiency (STAMP WS)
- International Baccalaureate Exams (IB)
- Navajo Nation Seal of Biliteracy Proficiency Assessment
- Portfolio Method of Assessment

The following LEAs participated in the 2021-2022 Seal of Biliteracy and awarded seals:

- Agua Fria High School District
- Amphitheater Public Schools
- Arizona School for the Arts
- Casa Grande Union High School District
- Catalina Foothills High School
- Cave Creek Unified School District
- Chandler Unified School District
- Deer Valley Unified School District
- Desert Heights Preparatory Academy
- Dysart Unified School District
- Empower College Prep
- Flagstaff Unified School District
- Flowing Wells Unified School District
- Gilbert Public Schools
- Glendale Union High School District #205
- Highland Prep
- Horizon Honors Secondary School
- Madison Highland Prep
- Mesa Public Schools
- Paradise Honors High School
- Paradise Valley
- Peoria Unified School District
- Phoenix Union High School District
- Pinon Unified School District No. 4 - Pinon High School

- Scottsdale Unified School District
- Sunnyside Unified School District #12
- Tempe Union High School District
- Tolleson Union High School District
- Tucson Unified School District
- Vail Unified School District