



# Seal of Biliteracy and World Language Competency-Based Credit

## Use Your Language Skills As An Asset

- Earn up to **four high school World Language credits** towards graduation
- Graduate with a Washington State Seal of Biliteracy diploma and transcript

## Who Is Eligible?

- Students in **grades 8 through 12** who speak a second language may earn up to 4 World Language credits; students will demonstrate proficiency using an OSPI-approved language assessment. Additionally, the Seal of Biliteracy can be earned by completing high school ELA courses and SBA assessment.
- Students who are taking OR plan to take an AP language course are eligible for the WA State Seal of Biliteracy; AP test scores will be used to demonstrate language proficiency

## Registration & Language Assessment Information

- Register online at <http://bit.ly/3bkz0W0>.
- **Registration Deadline:** March 10th
- Assessment Date: April 23rd, 7:45 am
- Details available on our website: SVSD / Departments / Teaching & Learning / Seal of Biliteracy & Competency-based Crediting

### Benefits of the Washington State Seal of Biliteracy

- Heritage speaking students may earn up to 4 World Language Competency-based Credits by demonstrating high levels of proficiency in their heritage language (i.e., Marshallese, Hindi, Spanish, etc.) and by fulfilling ELA graduation requirements.
- Heritage Speakers feel a sense of inclusion and pride by being recognized for their bilingual assets.
- The Seal of Biliteracy is a "value-added" earned honor posted to the student's transcript.
- Students who qualify for competency-based credits for language proficiency would have time in high school for deeper study of the same language, or may gain proficiency in a different language.

*NOTE: Highly competitive four-year colleges and universities like to see three to four years of high school world language study, including World Language Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate courses.*

### Learn more at an informational Meeting.

#### Student Information Meeting

Date: February 26th  
Time: During Power Hour  
Location: Mt Si High School, Rm 5302

#### Parent Information Meeting

Date: March 3rd  
Time: 6:30 pm  
Location: Mt Si High School Career Ctr