

Seal of Biliteracy and Seal of Arts Excellence

NEW GRADUATION OPPORTUNITY



Kentucky Department of Education (KDE)

Special Recognition on Transcripts

- Seal of Biliteracy, 2023
- Seal of Arts Excellence, 2022



SEAL OF BILITERACY

An award given by a school, district or state in recognition of students who have attained proficiency in English and one or more other world languages by high school graduation



RATIONALE

- Encourage students to pursue **higher levels of proficiency** in world languages.
- **Celebrate the linguistic diversity** of our students, including multilingual learners/former English learners.
- Support the BCPS Graduate Profile Competencies of **Effective Communicator and Mastery Learner**.
- Enhance **postsecondary opportunities** for students by providing an officially recognized credential of language proficiency.



BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

- Possesses a skill that is **highly sought after** by colleges, employers, and the military
- **Stand out** for their ability to communicate across cultures, collaborate with diverse teams, and serve a broader range of clients and communities
- **Enhance their marketability** in competitive fields such as business, education, healthcare, and public service – where language skills can lead to **scholarships, salary differentials, and career advancement** opportunities both in Kentucky and beyond.



CRITERIA (SUGGESTED BY KDE)

High School Diploma

The student must be a senior or junior in good standing, on track to earn a high school diploma.

English Proficiency Requirement

Demonstrate English language proficiency by one of the following:

ACT English ≥ 18 and ACT Reading ≥ 20 or

SAT Evidence-Based Reading & Writing (ERW) ≥ 490 or

AP English Language or Literature score ≥ 3 or

ACCESS for ELLs Overall Composite score ≥ 4.5 .

World Language Proficiency Requirement

Demonstrate proficiency in one or more languages other than English through one of the following:

AP World Language Exam score ≥ 3 , or

Proficiency score of Intermediate-Mid or higher on an ACTFL-aligned assessment (e.g., AAPPL, STAMP, or OPI/WPT).

For languages such as American Sign Language, Classical Languages (Latin, Greek), or Native American Languages, proficiency may be demonstrated through appropriately aligned assessments in the language's communication modalities.



KENTUCKY SEAL OF BILITERACY 2024-2025



588
Seals Awarded

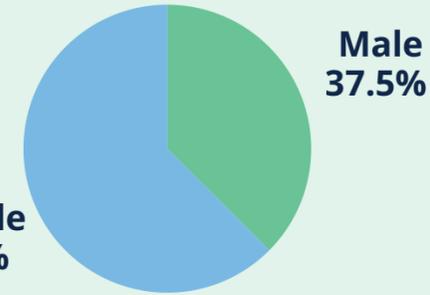
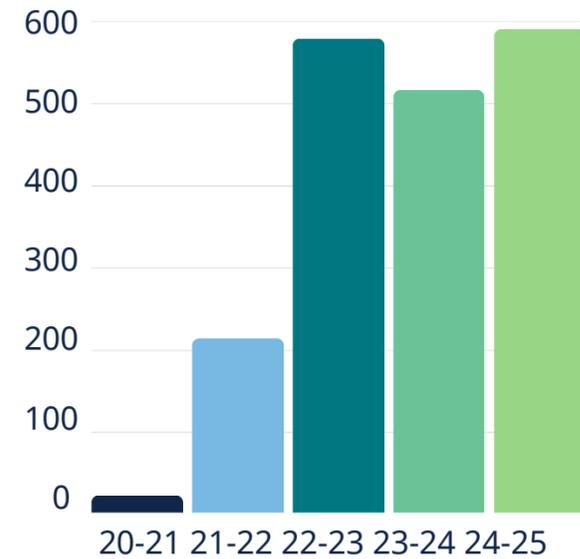
36 NUMBER OF SCHOOLS AWARDING A SEAL

212 NUMBER OF STUDENTS EARNING A SEAL

13 NUMBER OF STUDENTS EARNING TWO OR MORE SEALS

35
LANGUAGES
Represented

OVER THE YEARS: NUMBER OF SEALS OF BILITERACY EARNED



ASIAN	69	BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN	44	HISPANIC/LATINO	244
WHITE	167	ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED	254	ENGLISH LEARNER	41
		GIFTED AND TALENTED	197		

SEAL OF ARTS EXCELLENCE

An award given by a school, district, or state to students in recognition of advanced levels of the visual and performing arts



RATIONALE

- Encourage students to pursue **higher levels of proficiency** in the visual and performing arts.
- **Celebrate the talents and skills** of our students
- Support the BCPS Graduate Profile Competencies of **Self-Directed Navigator and Mastery Learner**.
- Enhance **postsecondary opportunities** for students by providing an officially recognized credential of artistic skill.



BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

- **Signals rigor and commitment** - It tells colleges the student didn't just take arts classes — they pursued depth, mastery, and long-term dedication.
- Stronger eligibility for **arts-based scholarships** giving students a **competitive edge** for honors colleges and special programs
- **Skill development** such as problem-solving, public performance and presentation skills, collaboration and critique skills, and discipline with time-management
- **Honors students** whose strengths may not be fully captured by test scores



CRITERIA (SUGGESTED BY KDE)

High School Diploma

The student must be a senior or junior in good standing, on track to earn a high school diploma.

Visual and Performing Arts Credits

The student must earn at least 3 Visual/Performing Arts credits in an area of interest, demonstrating specialization/performance in the area

Advanced Demonstration of Achievement

Score a 3 or higher on an AP Test for the area of specialization

Participate in juried arts events

Student-curated collection of evidence, such as a portfolio, performance, or project that demonstrates learning within the four arts processes of Creating, Performing/Producing/Presenting, Responding, and Connecting within the identified area of specialization



Thank you!

FOR THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY

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