

PA SEAL OF BILITERACY

WHAT IS IT?

An award in recognition of students who have attained intermediate high proficiency in English and a second language by high school graduation

<https://sealofbiliteracy.org/>



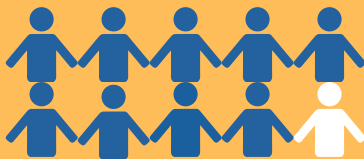
BILINGUAL STUDENTS PERFORM BETTER

ACADEMICALLY

<https://www.ousd.org/domain/6249>

BILINGUAL STUDENTS HAVE HIGHER COLLEGE ATTENDANCE AND GRADUATION RATES

<https://wacotrib.com/news/education/>



9 OUT OF 10

U.S. EMPLOYERS REPORT A NEED FOR BILINGUAL WORKERS

https://www.leadwithlanguages.org/wp-content/uploads/MakingLanguagesOurBusiness_FullReport.pdf



Increasing demand for bilingual workers especially in health care and education

<https://cpe.kennesaw.edu/blog/2016/08/16/multilingual-workers-in-high-demand/>

48 STATES & THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CURRENTLY OFFER THE SEAL



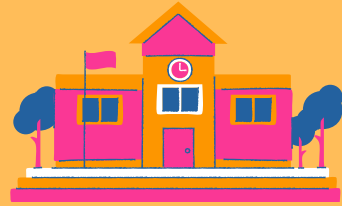
PAY FOR BILINGUAL SPEAKERS IS 5-20%

HIGHER PER HOUR

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EL STUDENTS

NEED A 4.5 OR HIGHER ON THE WIDA ACCESS EXAM TO DEMONSTRATE INTERMEDIATE HIGH PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH



The Seal of Biliteracy encourages biliteracy, provides documentation of proficiency for future employers and may qualify for college credit.

WHO AWARDS IT?

The Seal of Biliteracy is awarded by a school district or the state

<https://sealofbiliteracy.org/>

5 STATES

Offer between 8-12 college credits for the Seal at select universities in Minnesota, Illinois, Maine, Hawaii, and Missouri

THERE ARE CURRENTLY

7,070

VACANT JOBS FOR BILINGUAL WORKERS IN PA

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