



Riverside County

*Seal of Multiliteracy*

# What it is?

- The Riverside County *Seal of Multiliteracy* is an award given by the Riverside County Office of Education to students who have attained high levels of proficiency in English and at least one other world language by the time of their high school graduation.

# What are the benefits?

- ◆ Assurance of a marketable skill
- ◆ Transcript notation
- ◆ Recognition of the award at graduation  
(Students will be allowed to wear their Seal)
- ◆ Conferral of award at county-wide recognition dinner ceremony
- ◆ Special seal on your diploma
- ◆ Digital badge (assigned by the county office)
- ◆ Recognition is done early enough to include on your college applications

# Who is eligible to apply?

✓ Students who will be a **senior** in the fall

**Demonstrate proficiency in English on the *School Verification* form, accomplish all of the following:**

- ✓ On track to complete all ELA requirements for graduation.
- ✓ Overall GPA of 2.0 or above to date in ELA classes required for graduation.
- ✓ **Pass the CAASPP /ELA (administered in grade eleven) at or above the “standard met” achievement level.**
- ✓ Attain the level demonstrating English language proficiency on the ELPAC in transitional kindergarten or kindergarten through grade twelve, inclusive. (Only if your primary language is other than English)



# Eligibility Requirements

Demonstrate proficiency in the **target world language** by accomplishing **one** of the following:

- **Four-year** high school **course** of study in the **target world language** with an overall **GPA of 3.0 or above**
- **Official transcript** from a school **outside** the **U.S.** or other **official documents** indicating student completed **two years** of secondary schooling where the target language was the **medium of instruction** and student received an average grade of **B or higher**.
- Verification by an **adult community member**

# California Seal of Biliteracy Reciprocity



If student has already demonstrated proficiency in one or more languages other than English through one of the following methods, they will not have to go through the Seal of Multiliteracy process and will automatically be recognized and receive both the Riverside County Seal of Multiliteracy and the California Seal of Biliteracy

- Pass a foreign language AP exam, including American Sign Language, with a score of "3" or higher.
- Pass an foreign language IB exam with a score of "4" or higher.
- Pass the SAT II foreign language exam with a score of "600" or higher.

# How and when can I apply?

- Interested students must submit an **Intent to Apply & Parent Authorization** between Monday, May 1, 2019 and **Friday, August 30, 2019** via email
- Submit your **Language Portfolio** to the Riverside County Office of Education between Wednesday, May 1, 2019 and **Friday, September 13, 2019** via email



# Step 1: Complete the *Parent Authorization* form and upload it on your computer.


The Parent Authorization form can be found on the Riverside County of Education web site.

Simply Google:

**Riverside Country Seal  
of Multiliteracy**

(Click on the *How to Apply*)

UPLOAD THIS COMPLETED FORM  
ONTO YOUR COMPUTER.

		Riverside County Office of Education Instructional Services Attn: Diana Ceja, Administrator P.O. Box 868, Riverside, CA 92502-0868 Phone: (951) 826-6304 / Fax: (951) 826-6937 E-Mail: mschneider@rcoe.us	
<b>Riverside County Seal of Multiliteracy: <i>Parent Authorization</i></b>			
Please fill your information into the fields below and submit online with your <b><i>Intent to Apply</i></b> form. Entries may be submitted any time after <b>Tuesday, May 1, 2018</b> , but must be received by <b>Friday, August 31, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>Note: Every student MUST submit a completed and signed Parent Authorization.</b>			
<b>Student Information</b>			
Date:		Grade Level:	
Name:		Date of Birth:	
<b>School Information</b>			
District:		School Site Representative:	
School:		E-mail:	
<b>Parent Authorization: (To be completed by the parent or legal guardian).**</b>			
In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), I authorize the school to release state and national test scores for my student to the Riverside County Office of Education. I understand this information will only be used to consider the student for the Riverside County Seal of Multiliteracy. I give the Riverside County Office of Education permission to photograph and/or videotape my student for educational purposes. I give the Riverside County Office of Education permission to list the names of awardees on the Riverside County Office of Education website.			
Date:			
Printed Parent Name:			
Parent Signature:			
<b>** Electronic signature not accepted. Must be printed, signed and uploaded online with Intent to Apply submission.</b>			



# What to name your Parent Authorization form:

- LastName\_FirstName\_School\_Parent
- Example:
- Smith\_Mary\_GreatOakHighSchool\_Parent
- (This is how the RCOE will ask you to name your Parent Authorization form.) (You put “parent” at the end because this form is the Parent Authorization.)

# Step 2: Complete the *Intent to Apply* on-line and upload your signed *Parent Authorization* form.

The Intent to Apply form can be found on the Riverside County of Education web site.

Simply Google:

**Riverside Country Seal  
of Multiliteracy**

(Click on the *How to Apply*)

Be sure to upload the Parent Authorization!

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Student Information - Intent to Apply AND Parent Authorization Form". Below the title, it states "(ALL sections must be typed in order for the application to be considered.)" and "Required" in red. A dark blue banner with white text reads: "BEFORE YOU BEGIN - DOWNLOAD the Parent Authorization Form Below. You will be uploading the completed form with your application." Below this, instructions say: "Please download and complete the Parent Authorization and upload the completed form using the link below." followed by the URL <https://rcoe.sharefile.com/d-sdc77f8a9a1444d09>. The form fields include: "Date \*" with a date input field showing "mm/dd/yyyy"; "Name \*" with a text input field containing "Your answer"; "Mailing Address Line 1: \*" with a text input field containing "Your answer"; and "Mailing Address Line 2:" with a text input field containing "I".

# Intent to Apply form:

- Page 1: Date, Name, Mailing Address, Student email, Birthday, Are you a senior this year?, phone numbers
- Page 2: District, School, Site Rep., Site Rep. email, Have you applied before?
- Our site representative is: KARLA WETTELAND
- Her email is: [kwetteland@tvusd.k12.ca.us](mailto:kwetteland@tvusd.k12.ca.us)
- Page 3: Language(s) you are applying for
- Page 4: Upload file and verify that you have uploaded it
- Page 5: Submit form

# Be sure to complete the last step!

## Student Information - Intent to Apply AND Parent Authorization Form

**Thank you for your submission. Your School Verification Form will be submitted by your school/site representative. You will receive a link to submit your school authorization form electronically.**

Here is a sample of the information you will submit electronically. The form below should be used to prepare for your submission online.

SAMPLE APPLICATION FORM: <https://rcoe.sharefile.com/d-s77010ae56fb4d42a>

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SUBMIT



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Never submit passwords through Google Forms.

# How do I make a *Language Portfolio*?

- Go to : **Riverside Country Seal of Multiliteracy**
- On the website you can find the writing prompts as well as the rubrics used to score the essays.
- If you are applying for a seal in more than one language, you will need to complete a portfolio for each language you are applying for
- **You will also need to print a copy of your transcript and bring it to Karla Wetteland (Don't worry about this yet. Last year she printed them for everyone.)**

**Due date: Friday, September 13, 2019 by 5:00 p.m. to the Riverside Country Office of Education**

# What exactly is the *Language Autobiography*?

- The *Language Autobiography* is a response to five questions (a maximum of 200 word response to each question) to demonstrate:
  - English proficiency
  - Interest and proficiency in additional languages
  - Authentic connection(s) and real-life use of language within relevant culture) or cultural settings.
  - Language comparisons
  - Multicultural experiences



# What will they do with my *Language Portfolio*?

- First, it will be checked for completeness before it is scored. (If it is incomplete, it will not be scored!)
- Then, it will be graded and how you do on this will determine if you are invited to the *Riverside County Seal of Multiliteracy Assessment Event*.
- (Remember: you have 200 words to answer each prompt! You must earn a minimum score of 3 on all sections of the Autobiography Rubric to continue the process.)



# Tips for the Language Autobiography:

- Start now! Prompts are available online.
- You will want to plan your responses across the five (5) prompts to ensure that you do not repeat yourself in your responses.
- Remember: This is a formal piece of writing! Therefore, choose strong academic vocabulary, set the tone, develop issues thoroughly, and provide adequate supporting details and examples.
- You should use all 200 words allowed for each prompt (for a total of 1,000 words maximum)!
- *Use spell check!*

# What happens at the *Riverside County Seal of Multiliteracy Student Assessment Event day* ?

- If invited to participate on Saturday, October 12, 2019, you will start the day at your assigned time and participate in an orientation for students.
- Then you will:
  - Provide an on-demand writing sample in English and in the target language(s)
  - Be interviewed in English and in the target language(s) (The interview will last about 5 minutes.)

When will students receiving this recognition be honored?



# What is the process for American Sign Language?

- All students applying for the Seal of Multiliteracy in American Sign Language will do the English On-Demand writing prompt.
- Deaf or Hard of Hearing (DHH) students applying for the Seal in ASL will be interviewed in ASL only. Those who are hearing and applying for the Seal in ASL will be interviewed in both ASL and separately in English.

# What should I do if I'm interested?

- Google: Riverside County Seal of Multiliteracy
- See Mrs. Herney in room 356 if you need help!





# 2017 Seal Recipients





# 2018 Seal Recipients





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