

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 <u>all</u> 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 <u>outside</u> 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 <u>Intent to Apply & Parent Authorization</u> between Monday, May 1, 2019 and <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 30</u>, 2019 via email
- Submit your <u>Language Portfolio</u> to the Riverside County Office of Education between Wednesday, May 1, 2019 and <u>Friday</u>, <u>September 13, 2019</u> via email

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

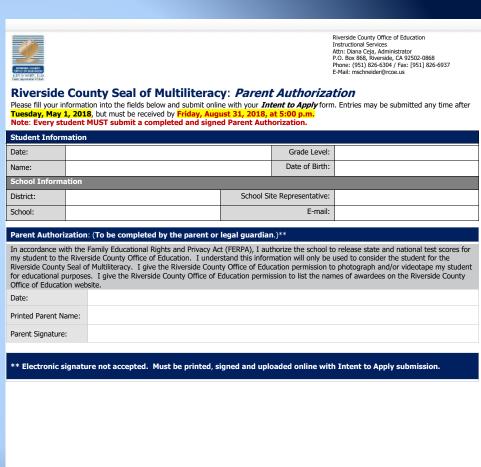
The Parent Authorization form can be found on the Riverside County of Education web site.

Simply Google:

Riverside Country Seal of Multiliteracy

(Click on the *How to Apply*)

UPLOAD THIS COMPLETED FORM ONTO YOUR COMPUTER.



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.

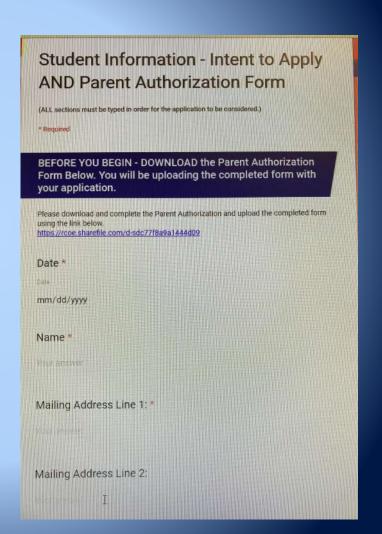
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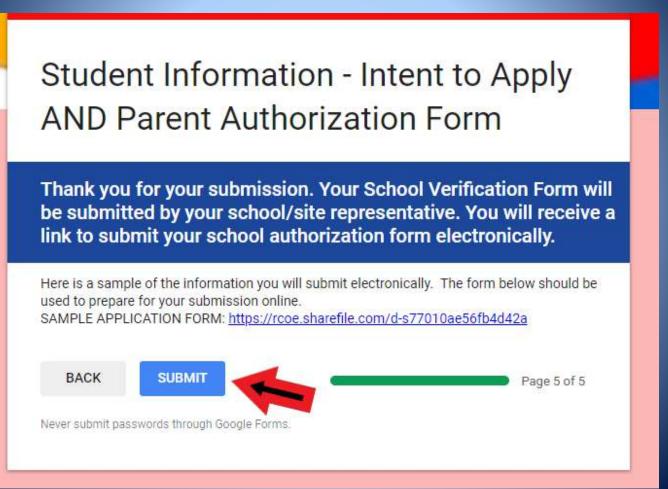
Be sure to upload the Parent Authorization!



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
- 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!



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 <u>all 200 words allowed</u> 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!



2018 Seal Recipients



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