



100 North First Street
Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

**APPLICATION FOR NONPUBLIC
PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE SEAL OF
BILITERACY PROGRAM 2026-2027**

MULTILINGUAL/LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

School and Contact Information

NAME OF NONPUBLIC SCHOOL	NAME OF CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR:	
TELEPHONE OF ADMINISTRATOR (Include Area Code)	EMAIL OF ADMINISTRATOR	
NAME OF SEAL OF BILITERACY PROGRAM COORDINATOR (if different from administrator)		WEBSITE (Optional)
TELEPHONE OF COORDINATOR (Include Area Code)	EMAIL OF COORDINATOR	

Applicant Attestations

1. Coordinator

- a. Per [680.20e\)2\)A](#)), a participating school shall designate at least one individual to serve as a coordinator of the Program.

☐ *I attest that the Coordinator listed in this application will serve as the Program contact for the designated school year*

2. Webinar

- a. Per [680.20e\)2\)B](#)), The Coordinator shall participate in training approved by the State Board before awarding the Seal and the Commendation

☐ *I attest that the Coordinator listed in this application shall participate in the training.*

3. Assessment procedures

- a. Per [680.20](#), a school may award the State Seal when a student demonstrates a high level of proficiency in one or more languages in addition to English. 680.20 a)1)iv) defines an approved assessment, 680.20a)3) outlines the Alternative Evidence Method, and 680.20b) outlines methods of demonstrating English proficiency.

☐ *I attest that the Coordinator is familiar with the methods of demonstrating proficiency as outlined in 680.20 and familiar with the Department's Approved Assessment guidance.*

4. Annual Report

- a. Per [680.20 e\)4](#)), the school shall submit an annual report to the State Board no later than September 15 of each year.

☐ *I attest that the school will submit student awards no later than September 15 after the recipients graduate.*

5. Publicize Program

- a. Per [680.20 e\)5](#)), the school shall make available information about the Program to parents and students by posting on the school website and in the student handbook the following information: general information about the Program and the opportunity for students to participate; a description of the process a student would use to demonstrate proficiency, an estimate of the costs students might incur to demonstrate proficiency, and the name and contact information for any individuals designated to serve as the coordinator of the Program.

☐ *I attest that the mandated information regarding the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy will be available on our website and in the student handbook.*

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6. Record Keeping

- a. Per [105 ILCS 5/2-3.159 g](#)) a school shall maintain appropriate records to identify pupils who have earned a State Seal of Biliteracy and shall make the appropriate designation on the diploma and transcript of each pupil.

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I attest that the school will maintain records of recipients and designate the award on student transcripts and diplomas.

Signature

I, the undersigned administrator, attest that the information provided and assured in this application is accurate.

Digital or Original Signature of
Chief School Administrator

Print Name of Chief School Administrator

Date