

## Designation of the State Seal of Biliteracy and the State Commendation toward Biliteracy

In accordance with Section 2-3.159 of the School Code, participating school districts must place a designation of a qualifying student's receipt of the State Seal of Biliteracy in the student's permanent record on the academic transcript as defined in 23 Ill. Adm. Code 375 (Student Records) and include the designation on the student's diploma. School districts that choose to award the State Commendation toward Biliteracy must also place a designation of a qualifying student's receipt of the award both in the permanent record on the academic transcript and on the student's diploma.

**The district must include the following designations on a qualifying student's diploma and transcript:**

	State Seal of Biliteracy	State Commendation toward Biliteracy
<p><b><u>Diploma</u></b></p> <p>The designation <b>must</b> be printed on the diploma or affixed to the diploma. The district may alter the size of the image without changing the design proportions or elements.</p>	<p>{Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy graphic, including language}</p> <p><i>For students who receive the Seal in more than one language, additional languages may be listed under one graphic.</i></p>	<p>{Illinois State Commendation toward Biliteracy graphic, including language}</p> <p><i>For students who receive the Commendation in more than one language, additional languages may be listed under one graphic.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Transcript</u></b></p> <p>The statement with the name of the foreign language inserted <b>must</b> appear on the student's transcript.</p>	<p>Attained the State Seal of Biliteracy by demonstrating high proficiency in English and [<i>insert name of world language(s)</i>]</p>	<p>Attained the State Commendation toward Biliteracy by demonstrating progress towards high proficiency in English and [<i>insert name of world language(s)</i>]</p>
<p>Students who qualify for the Seal of Biliteracy or Commendation toward Biliteracy prior to graduation and issuance of their final transcript may have the following statement included on their transcript:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"Provisionally awarded the Seal of Biliteracy in [<i>language(s)</i>] contingent upon graduation." -or-</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"Provisionally awarded the Commendation toward Biliteracy in [<i>language(s)</i>] contingent upon graduation."</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><b>Please be sure to update the statement upon student graduation.</b></p>		