OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL

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Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy

Oak Park and River Forest High School--District 200, is proud to announce that it will award the Seal of Biliteracy to students who have attained a high level of proficiency in one or more languages in addition to English. This Seal of Biliteracy is a national recognition, and students meeting the requirements for the Seal of Biliteracy will receive this designation on their transcripts as well as their diplomas.

In order to obtain the Seal of Biliteracy, a student must show proficiency in *both* English and a second language. The Seal of Biliteracy is awarded to those seniors enrolled in a fourth-year honors or AP language class who demonstrate proficiency in English and whose second-language proficiency level is equivalent to Intermediate-High, as determined by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).

The requirements for English proficiency are to:

- Earn a minimum score of 18 in English and 22 in Reading on the ACT test,
 OR
- Earn 5.0 on the ACCESS exam with a minimum subtest score of 4.2 in reading and writing. The ACCESS test is specifically for students in the ELL (English Language Learning) program.

To show second-language proficiency a student must:

- Earn a 4 or 5 on the Advanced Placement language exam
 (The Advanced Placement exam is the only qualifier for the following languages: Italian, Japanese, and Latin). OR
- Earn a minimum score of I-5 on the AAPPL exam (Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages).
 - The languages that can be assessed with the AAPPL exam are Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
 - The AAPPL exam will be offered at Oak Park and River Forest High School and the cost is \$20.00. Registration will be online through the school's Revtrak system.
 - The deadline to register for the test is *March 4, 2016*. Exam date is *Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.* Detailed information will be provided after you register for the exam.
- Link to register to take the AAPPL exam:

https://oprfhs.revtrak.net/tek9.asp?pg=products&specific=jsegmrg4

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For more information about the Seal of Biliteracy, please contact Claudia Sahagun at csahagun@oprfhs.org. AAPPL exam information, please go to http://aappl.actfl.org/