

February 2, 2022

Dear Seniors and Parents/Guardians, ([en Español](#))

Township High School District 211 students earn the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy by demonstrating high levels of proficiency in English and an additional language. Students can demonstrate proficiency in a target language by earning a 4 or 5 on an AP exam, I-5 or higher on the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL) exam or Intermediate High on STAMP (language proficiency exam). Students who meet the criteria below will be awarded the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy in July. Illinois public universities will accept the State Seal of Biliteracy as equivalent to two years of foreign language coursework taken during high school if a student's high school transcript indicates the student has received the State Seal of Biliteracy.

Students interested in taking the STAMP or AAPPL assessments for the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy should complete this [REGISTRATION FORM](#) by February 18, 2022. An invoice will be sent to you through MySchoolBucks.

English		Additional Language
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Earn an Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State (ACCESS) composite score of at least 4.8 on ACCESS; <b>OR</b></li><li>• Earn the ACT college-ready benchmark for the English subject area test or achieve a composite score of at least 21 on the ACT; <b>OR</b></li><li>• Earn an Evidence-Based Reading and Writing score of at least 480 on the SAT; <b>OR</b></li><li>• Earn AP English Language and Composition exam score of 5; <b>OR</b></li><li>• Earn GPA of 3.0 in English transitional or dual course credit.</li></ul>	<b>AND</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Earn a 4 or 5 on an Advanced Placement language exam - Spanish, Chinese (Traditional or Simplified), French, German, Italian, or Japanese; <b>OR</b></li><li>• Earn a minimum score of I-5 on the ACTFL's Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL) exam. The following languages can be assessed with the AAPPL exam: Arabic, Chinese (Traditional or Simplified), French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Thai; <b>OR</b></li><li>• Earn Intermediate High on the STAMP exam (Polish and Hebrew).</li></ul>

Students are able to take the AAPPL or STAMP assessment in-person during the regular school day or remotely from home. There are limited seats for the in-person assessment administration held March 10-17, 2022. Seats will be given on a first-come, first-served basis to students who are registered and who have submitted payment. In the event that a student is not able to complete the in-person assessment, the student can switch to the remote option.

If choosing the at-home remote assessment, students must complete the assessment within the identified test window of March 10 - 31, 2022.

The different language assessments (STAMP and AAPPL) have varying remote testing requirements:

**STAMP - AT HOME:** Live Remote Proctor (Polish and Hebrew Only)

- Students take the assessment at home and must use a windows or mac computer. No iPads, Tablets, or Chromebooks are permitted.

- Students will also need a second device (which may be a phone or tablet) in which a live remote proctor from the AVANT company will use to monitor you and the room as you take the test.

**AAPPL - AT HOME: COMPUTER BASED PROCTOR** (All Languages Other than Polish/Hebrew)

- Students take the assessment at home and must use a windows or mac computer, no tablets or Chromebooks are permitted.
- Please review the [AAPPL Computer Proctoring Student Guide](#) for testing requirements.

**AAPPL - AT HOME: PARENT/GUARDIAN PROCTOR**

- Students take the assessment at home and may use any computer or tablet, including Chromebooks, iPads, etc.
- A parent/guardian must agree to oversee the student while s/he takes the assessment at home. The parent/guardian must sign the AAPPL [At-Home Testing and Proctoring agreement](#) and return it to the Student Services Office.
- Here are the [At-home proctoring instructions](#).

If you have any questions, contact your school's Director of Student Services or your child's counselor.

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