

The Connecticut Seal of Biliteracy

Fast Facts and Statistics about the Seal

Did you know?

Connecticut's Seal of Biliteracy has been in place since the 2017-18 school year. Since then, thousands of students have earned the Seal. Here are some statistics about the Seal and multilingualism in Connecticut.

School Year:

2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21

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Number of Participating Districts

28 42 47 58



Number of Current or Former ELs/MLs who Earned the Seal

N/A 412 395 527



Number of Student Attempts to Earn the Seal

2183 | 3043 | 3485 | 4250



Number of Languages for which the Seal was Earned

N/A 24 34 38



Number of Seals Earned

1228 | 1884 | 2236 | 3016



Number of Districts that Awarded over 100 Seals of Biliteracy

6 9 13

Recipients

The number of Seal of Biliteracy recipients has increased each year.

Multilingual Learners

All students who are interested in earning the Seal are encouraged to test for it, including multilingual learners (MLs), former MLs, heritage language speakers, and students in world language. The number of MLs continues to grow annually! In the 2021-22 school year, Connecticut's 45,271 MLs comprise 8.8% of the public school population!

Language Diversity

Each year, the number of languages for which the Seal was earned has increased. In the 2020-21 school year, the Seal was earned in 38 languages!

Seal Participation

The number of participating districts has increased each year. In the 2020-21 school year, 58 districts, or only one quarter of the state's districts participated. We hope to see increased participation every year until 100% of districts are offering the Seal of Biliteracy.

Honoring Linguistic Diversity

Some districts award many Seals of Biliteracy each year. Last year, 14 districts awarded over 100 Seals, including Darien, Fairfield, Glastonbury, Greenwich, Hartford, New Britain, New Canaan, New Haven, Norwalk, Ridgefield, Stamford, West Hartford, Westport, and Wilton.



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