

# Mountain Brook High School State and Global Seals of Biliteracy

Mountain Brook High School offers students both locally & globally recognized opportunities to earn a credential that certifies their proficiency in multiple languages. Students can earn both the *Alabama State Seal of Biliteracy* & the *Global Seal of Biliteracy* by demonstrating proficiency in English and in French, Latin or Spanish. In order to provide students with the greatest opportunity for success in achieving the Seal, students' world language 4-year plan should include the following: 9th grade - Level 2; 10th grade - Level 3; 11th grade - Level 4. If a student qualifies for and would like to utilize a retake option, s/he should plan to continue in 12th grade in AP or Level 5.

# **English Requirements:**

# State Seal of Biliteracy:

- 1. ACT-score of at least 18 on English component or 20 or higher on Reading Component
- 2. At least a 2.5 GPA for four credits of English Language Arts to complete the graduation requirement.

# Global Seal of Biliteracy:

This seal has different levels of recognition with distinguishing requirements:

- Functional Level: ACT-score of at least 18 on English component
- Working Level: ACT-score of at least 21 on the English component

\*It is the student's responsibility to turn in a printed copy of his/her ACT score to his/her World Language teacher by the due date in February 2024.

\*It is the teacher's responsibility to determine each student's eligibility based on the GPA for the English Language Arts average.

# **World Language Requirements:**

All components of the World Language assessments must be taken within a 12-month period.

# French and Spanish:

Students will take all four components of the ACTFL Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL): Interpretive Reading, Interpretive Listening, Presentational Writing, and Interpersonal Listening and Speaking. State Seal of Biliteracy:

• at least an Intermediate 3 on all four components

# Global Seal of Biliteracy:

- Functional Level: at last an Intermediate 4 on all four components
- Working Level: Advanced 1 on all four components

#### Latin

Students will take the ACTFL Latin Interpretive Reading Assessment (ALIRA).

# State Seal of Biliteracy:

• At least an Intermediate 3

# Global Seal of Biliteracy:

- Functional Level: at least an Intermediate 4
- Working Level: Advanced 1

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# **Application:**

Paper Application - Students must turn in to their World Language teachers by the due date.

Online Application - Students will complete in class after they have turned in the paper application.

#### Payment:

Students must pay through the online payment link on the school website and turn in a printed payment receipt with their application by the due date

### Payment Instructions:

<u>Payment</u> must be submitted online through the <u>Online Payments</u> page under the <u>Resources tab</u> of the MBHS website. Click on <u>Academics</u>  $\square$  <u>Spanish</u>, <u>Latin</u>, <u>or French</u>  $\square$  Click in the box next to <u>Seal of Biliteracy</u>.

• Click here for payment link Cost: Latin - \$22 Spanish / French - \$37