

Ventura Unified School District

Multilingual Recognition Seal – Class of 2009 and Later

Beginning with the Class of 2009, graduating seniors will be eligible to receive a Ventura Unified School District Multilingual Recognition Seal on their high school diplomas by demonstrating proficiency in English plus proficiency in one or more additional languages.

To receive the Multilingual Recognition Seal, students must complete all graduation requirements and pass the 11th Grade California Standards Test in English Language Arts at the proficient or advanced level. Students with a primary language other than English who have been designated as English Learners must score at the early advanced or advanced overall level on the California English Language Development Test (CELDT).

In addition, all students must demonstrate proficiency in a language or languages other than English, including American Sign Language, by completing at least one of the following requirements:

1. Complete four years of instruction in the same Foreign Language with a grade of “B” or higher in the fourth year, or
2. Complete the fourth year course of a Foreign Language with a grade of “B” or higher, or
3. Pass an Advanced Placement (AP) Foreign Language Test with a score of “3” or higher, or
4. Pass a District Foreign Language test at the proficient level or above.

Community College Foreign Language courses may be used as equivalent credit toward years of instruction.

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