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Students to Receive State Seal of Biliteracy Awards

Students who master more than one language to be recognized at awards ceremony

What: The San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE) will recognize 412 high

school students from San Joaquin County who met all the requirements of the state Seal of Biliteracy Award. Also, 122 students in grades 3-8 will

receive the Pathways to Bilteracy Award.

The State Seal of Biliteracy program recognizes high school graduates who have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing one or more languages in addition to English. The Pathway to Bilteracy Award recognizes third-, sixth-, and eighth-graders who met grade-level proficiency requirements in English and an additional language. The awards

are organized by SICOE Language & Literacy Department.

When: Thursday, May 19

4 p.m.: Lincoln Unified, Linden Unified, and Lodi Unified school districts. **5:15 p.m.:** Escalon Unified, Jefferson Elementary, Manteca Unified, New Hope Elementary, Oak View Elementary, and Stockton Unified School

Districts.

6:30 p.m.: Ripon Unified and Tracy Unified school districts; SJCOE Venture

Academy Family of Schools.

Where: Wentworth Education Center

SJCOE Campus

2707 Transworld Drive, Stockton

More online: Seal of Bilteracy: www.cde.ca.gov/sp/el/er/sealofbiliteracy.asp

SJCOE Language & Literacy: <u>bit.ly/256LkTD</u>



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