

Seal of Arts Proficiency

The State Seal of Arts Proficiency is awarded to Arizona graduates who prove mastery in an arts pathway.

To qualify for the Arizona State Seal of Arts Proficiency, a student will complete:

1. A final GPA of 3.0 or 4.0 in each qualifying arts/ career and technical education (CTE) course.
2. Four minimum credit requirements in one of the following ways:
 - A minimum of four credits in one artistic discipline; dance, music, theater, visual arts or media arts
 - OR
 - Three credits in one artistic discipline, and one qualifying creative industries CTE credit or separate artistic discipline
 - OR
 - Two credits in one artistic discipline, and two credits in a qualifying creative industries in CTE course or separate artistic discipline.
3. 80 hours of arts related extracurricular activities
4. A student capstone project



Career & Technical Education

Peoria Unified students may pursue a CTE Mastery of Subject Area Graduation Endorsement by successfully completing a program of study that meet the requirements below.

Peoria CTE students who earn the mastery of subject area endorsement have demonstrated achievement in technical skills, professional skills and leadership skills.

This endorsement will be added to the high school transcript indicating academic achievement in a major area of study. Students will receive a graduation medallion, certificate and pin for the program completed.

Students may receive endorsements in multiple CTE programs if all of the requirements are met for each program.



Graduation Endorsements



Students interested in receiving the Seal of Biliteracy, Personal Finance, or Civics Literacy should speak with their counselor and complete application during their senior year.

Students interested in receiving the Seal of Arts Proficiency must speak with their Arts teacher. The application may be completed upon completion of credit requirements.

The seal is placed upon the student's diploma and noted on their transcript.

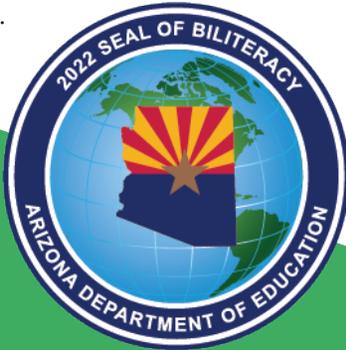
CTE Mastery of Subject Area does not require an application.

Seal of Biliteracy

The Arizona Seal of Biliteracy Program recognizes high school students who achieve proficiency in English plus at least one additional language.

To qualify Peoria Unified students must complete the following requirements in grades 9-12:

1. Must complete all English Language Arts requirements for graduation (four credits), with an overall grade point average in these classes of a 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
2. Must demonstrate English language proficiency through assessment in one of the following ways:
 - a. Attain an ACT score of 43 or higher on Reading and English combined OR
 - b. Attain an SAT English score of 550 OR
 - c. Attain a Reading Accuplacer score of 230
3. If the primary home language is not English, the student must obtain a score of Proficient on the AZELLA exam.
4. Must demonstrate proficiency in a second language through an assessment method approved by AZ Department of Education such as:
 - a. Advanced Placement (AP) score of three or higher for the world language OR
 - b. International Baccalaureate (IB) exam score of four or higher on a Higher-Level (HL) or a five or higher on a Standard-Level (SL) exam.



Seal of Personal Finance

The Arizona Seal of Personal Finance program recognizes high school students who achieve a high level of proficiency in Personal Finance.

To qualify Peoria Unified students must complete the following requirements in grades 9-12:

1. Must complete all social studies requirements for graduation (three credits), with an overall grade point average of 3.0 out of a 4.0 scale.
2. Must complete at least one activity from each of the four categories:
 - a. Must pass a personal finance assessment
 - b. Must complete a personal finance program or curriculum with a B or better
 - c. Must complete an approved personal finance co-curricular or extracurricular program
 - d. Must complete an approved personal finance college and/ or career readiness plan.



Seal of Civics Literacy

The Arizona Seal of Civics Literacy program recognizes high school students who achieve a high level of proficiency in Civic.

To qualify Peoria Unified students must complete the following requirements in grades 9-12:

1. Must complete all social studies requirements for graduation (three credits), with an overall grade point average of 3.0 out of a 4.0 scale.
2. Must pass the Arizona State Civics Exam (passing is a 60%)
3. Must complete activities from each of the four categories:
 - a. Must complete three civic learning activities. These activities can be any combination of the programs listed below and may all be from one type of category or different. The menu of options is as follows (select any three civic learning activities from any category):
 - i. Passage of the Advance Placement (AP) Government exam with a score of three or better.
 - ii. Participation in civic summer institutes or intensive programs.
 - iii. Participation in school-sponsored extra curricular activities
 - b. Must complete at least two civic engagement activities. These activities must be completed outside of the school day.
 - c. Must complete 75 hours of service learning/ community service. These activities must be completed outside of the school day.
 - d. Must complete a written reflection on their experiences earning the Arizona State Seal of Civics Literacy

