

## 2023-2024 ACTFL OPI & WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy

ACTFL and LTI are excited to offer the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI®) and Writing Proficiency Test (WPT®) for the Seal of Biliteracy™ (SOBL OPI & WPT). For general information about the test and instructions for ordering and proctoring it, please visit these pages:

- [OPI & WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy](#)
- [How to Order SOBL OPI & WPT](#)
- [Out of School Testing Page](#) (Support for Parent/Guardian and Computer Proctored testing)

The document you are reading now is intended to address frequent questions specific to the current testing season and its associated key dates.

### Key Dates:

12/4/2023	Ordering opens for in-school, computer, and parent/guardian proctoring.
12/4/2023	You can begin administering WPTs to your students.
Mid-December 2023	OPI scheduling confirmation emails will begin to be sent out.
1/8/2024	First available date on which OPIs can be scheduled.
Mid to late January 2024	Test ratings will begin to become available on the LTI Client Site.
5/31/2024	Last date to order the bundle for the 2023-24 season.
6/14/2024	End of testing window. All WPTs and OPIs must be completed by this date. No test components may be administered after this date.

### FAQs:

#### When can I order the SOBL OPI & WPT this year?

Ordering for the SOBL OPI & WPT opens on 12/4/2023. Please be aware that, though you can order tests starting on that day, there are certain restrictions to take into account in terms of test administration, scheduling, and when results will become available.

- Remember that these tests may only be purchased as a bundle; your account will be charged the full amount once a student completes their first test component. If the second component is not completed, no refund will be issued. The individual test components may not be purchased separately or pro-rated. Though they are ordered together, the two components of the test (the OPI and the WPT) are administered to learners independently of each other through separate processes.
  - The **OPI for the Seal of Biliteracy®** is a 20 to 25-minute one-on-one interview between a certified ACTFL tester and a learner.
    - OPIs must be scheduled at least 10 business days (and preferably 14) before the test date.
    - The earliest date on which OPIs can be scheduled for this season is 1/8/2024.
    - OPI scheduling confirmation emails will begin to be sent in mid-December 2023.
  - The **WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy®** is an up to 90-minute writing test that can be administered with in-school or parent/guardian proctoring any time after the test is ordered.
    - Though the WPT can be administered starting in December 2023 immediately after ordering, test scores will only begin to become available in mid to late January 2024.
- The bundle can be ordered and administered with computer proctoring beginning on 12/4/2023, but not before.
- **All tests must be ordered on or before 5/31/2024 at 11:59pm CDT.** All tests must be completed by 6/14/2024. No WPTs may be administered or OPIs scheduled after this date.

### When can the OPI for the Seal of Biliteracy be scheduled for the 2023-24 season?

- The OPI can be scheduled between 1/8/2024 and 6/14/2024.
- The OPI must be scheduled at least 10 business days (and preferably 14) in advance of the test date.
- All OPIs must be ordered by 5/31/2024 and completed by 6/14/2024.

### When can the WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy be administered for the 2023-24 season?

- The WPT can be administered between 12/4/2023 and 6/14/2024 with in-school, computer, or parent/guardian proctoring.
- Please note that even though tests may be administered starting in December, ratings will only begin to be returned starting in mid-January 2024.
- All WPTs must be ordered by 5/31/2024 and administered by 6/14/2024. No tests may be administered after this date.

### Whom do I contact if I need assistance with SOBL Testing?

- Please email [aaapplhelp@languageesting.com](mailto:aaapplhelp@languageesting.com) if you have any questions about testing with the SOBL OPI & WPT.
- For urgent matters, please call (914) 963-7110 option 1 or (800) 486-8444, Monday through Friday, 8am - 7pm Eastern Time (excluding weekends and U.S. holidays).