2022-2023 ACTFL OPI & WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy

ACTFL and LTI are excited to offer the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI®) and the ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test (WPT®) for the Seal of Biliteracy with an earlier than usual starting date for the 2022-23 testing season. For general information about the test and instructions for ordering and proctoring it, please visit these pages:

- [OPI & WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy](#)
- [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 2022-23 testing season and its associated key dates.

**Key Dates:**

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<td>December 5, 2022</td>
<td>Ordering for the test bundle opens for in school and parent/guardian proctoring. Though you may order OPIs starting on December 5, 2022 as part of each test bundle, the earliest test date on which OPIs can be scheduled for this season is January 5, 2023. You will need to enter your preferred 3 testing dates/windows for each OPI at the time that you order your tests and the first possible date will be January 5, 2023.</td>
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<td>December 5, 2022</td>
<td>You can begin administering WPTs to your students.</td>
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<td>Mid-December 2022</td>
<td>OPI scheduling confirmation emails will begin to be sent in mid-December 2022 as test appointments are finalized by LTI's scheduling team in coordination with the ACTFL-certified testers that conduct the interview with students. These confirmation emails will let you know that your requested OPIs have been scheduled and that you should access the Client Site to view the appointment time and call-in details. Confirmation is sent at least 5 days before the scheduled test appointment.</td>
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<td>January 3, 2023</td>
<td>Ordering opens for computer proctoring.</td>
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<td>First available test date on which OPIs can be scheduled</td>
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<td>Mid to late January 2023</td>
<td>Test ratings will begin to become available on the LTI Client Site. Ratings for each test component are returned within 3 weeks of the date on which the component is taken.</td>
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<td>May 15, 2023</td>
<td>Last date to order the bundle for the 2022-23 season. All OPIs must be requested by this date to allow for them to be scheduled before May 31, 2023 when the testing window closes.</td>
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<td>May 31, 2023</td>
<td>End of testing window. No test components may be administered after this date.</td>
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**FAQs:**

When can I order the OPI & WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy for the 2022-23 season?

Ordering for the OPI and WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy opens on December 5, 2022. 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 must be ordered as a bundle in order for the special pricing to apply. 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.
  o The **OPI for the Seal of Biliteracy** is a 20 to 25-minute one-on-one interview between a certified ACTFL tester and an examinee.
    ▪ OPIs must be scheduled at least 10 business days before the test date.
    ▪ Though you may order OPIs starting on December 5, 2022 as part of each test bundle, the earliest test date on which OPIs can be scheduled for this season is January 5, 2023. You will need to enter your preferred 3 testing dates/windows for each OPI at the time that you order your tests; the first possible date will be January 5, 2023 and the last will be May 31, 2023.
    ▪ OPI scheduling confirmation emails will begin to be sent in mid-December 2022 as test appointments are finalized by LTI's scheduling team in coordination with the ACTFL-certified testers that conduct the interview with students. These confirmation emails will let you know that your requested OPIs have been scheduled and that you should access the Client Site to view the appointment time and call-in details. Confirmation is sent at least 5 days before the scheduled test appointment.
  o 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 2022 immediately after ordering, test scores will only begin to become available in mid to late January 2023.
• The bundle can be ordered and administered with computer proctoring beginning on January 3, 2023, but not before.
• All tests must be ordered on or before May 15, 2023. All tests must be completed by May 31, 2023. No WPTs may be administered or OPIs scheduled after this date.

**When can the OPI for the Seal of Biliteracy be scheduled for the 2022-23 season?**
• Ordering for the bundle begins on December 5, 2022, but the earliest date on which OPIs can be scheduled is January 5, 2023. Scheduling confirmation emails for the OPI will begin to be sent out in mid-December 2022.
• The OPI can be scheduled between January 5, 2023 and May 31, 2023.
• The OPI must be scheduled at least 10 business days in advance.
• All OPIs must be ordered and scheduled by May 15, 2023.

**When can the WPT for the Seal of Biliteracy be administered for the 2022-23 season?**
• The WPT can be administered between December 5, 2022 and May 31, 2023 with in school and parent/guardian proctoring.
  o The WPT can be ordered and administered with computer proctoring starting on January 3, 2023.
• Please note that even though tests may be administered starting in December, ratings will only begin to be returned starting in mid-January 2023.
• All WPTs must be administered by May 31, 2023. No tests may be administered after this date.

**Whom do I contact if I need assistance with SOBL Testing for the 2022-23 season?**
• Please email applhelp@languagetesting.com with any questions about testing with the OPI and WPT
for the Seal of Biliteracy during the 2022-23 season.

- For urgent matters, please call (914) 963-7110 (select option 1) or (800) 486-8444 Monday through Friday 8am - 7pm Eastern Time (excluding holidays).