With the recent school closure we are committed to offering the assessment to our students who wish to pursue the Iowa Seal of Biliteracy. We have rescheduled administration of the AVANT/Stamp for after school reopens on April 13, 2020. New assessment dates are as follows:

- Monday April 20th: 4:00  AHS in the Media Center
- Tuesday April 21st: 4:00  AHS in the Media Center
- Wednesday April 22nd: 4:00  CHS in the Media Center
- Thursday April 23rd: 4:00  CHS in the Media Center

Students previously signed up for a testing session for a date and time. We will not have you re register but transfer your day and time to the new assessment date. IF that day does not work during the rescheduled time, please contact your Modern Language teacher.

Students will be sent an email with the details and testing specifications. There are practice tests available if you would like to preview the format for this assessment [HERE].

If you have any questions about the assessment or the Seal of Biliteracy, see the following Frequently Asked Questions or see your school counselor. Contact your Modern Language teacher to discuss whether this assessment is the most appropriate for you. **All assessment results must be submitted by May 1st** using the link on the Seal of Biliteracy webpage.

The cost of the assessment ($19.90) and will be added to a student’s fee statement. A one-time financial assistance is available for students to take a Seal of Biliteracy assessment. If you have concerns about the cost of the assessment, please see your counselor.

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**Ankeny Community School District Assessment to be Administered**

**Avant/STAMP Assessment** - (Standards-based Measurement of Proficiency)
Arabic, English, French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Polish, Russian, Spanish ($19.90)

The Standards-based Measurement of Proficiency (STAMP) assessment measures a student’s listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in the target language. It is online and computer adaptive.

Avant STAMP (STAndards-based Measurement of Proficiency) 4S determines language proficiency in 4 domains (Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking,) for grades 7-16. Avant STAMP 4S is web-based and computer-adaptive, with real-world questions on topics selected to be level-appropriate based on research into topics taught at each level. The questions engage learners, and because Avant STAMP 4S is adaptive, students are able to demonstrate their own actual proficiency level without any pre-set upper limits.