



## NEWS RELEASE

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## NEBRASKA STUDENTS AWARDED SEALS OF BILITERACY

The Nebraska Department of Education and the Nebraska International Languages Association have awarded 25 Seals of Biliteracy to Nebraska students this year.

The Nebraska Seal of Biliteracy is a collaboration between the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) and the Nebraska International Language Association honoring high school students who have achieved a high level of proficiency in English and at least one other language.

Students apply for the Nebraska Seal of Biliteracy after demonstrating proficiency based on the Nebraska World Language Standards structured around communication, cultures, connections, communities, and cognition within a language other than English.

### 2020 Nebraska Seal of Biliteracy Recipients

#### ***Gabriela Aguilar***

Scottsbluff High School

Spanish

#### ***Isaac Albin***

Bishop Neumann Catholic High School

Spanish

#### ***Myah Anderson***

Lincoln Southwest High School

Spanish

***Josephine Blatny***

Fairbury High School

Spanish

***Tianna Cleary***

Lincoln Southwest High School

French

***Emily Coufal***

Bishop Neumann Catholic High School

Spanish

***Elliot Evans***

Westside High School

French

***Sara Huss***

Fairbury High School

Spanish

***Tara Jurgensmeier***

Bishop Neumann Catholic High School

Spanish

***Cord Lee***

Wauneta-Palisade Schools

Spanish

***Casey Nimmich***

Fairbury High School

Spanish

***Sara Palmer***

Shelton High School

Spanish

***Justin Sanders***

Westside High School

Spanish

***Abby Schaefer***

St. Cecilia High School

Spanish

***Tate John Schmidt***

St. Cecilia High School

Spanish

Isadora Schwab

Fairbury High School

Spanish

***Katie Spicka***

Bishop Neumann Catholic High School

Spanish

***Kenzie Spigner***

Millard North High School

Spanish

***Ava Spinar***

Lincoln Southwest High School

Spanish

***Lainey Swanson***

St. Cecilia High School

Spanish

***Juhi J. Thakker***

Millard North High School

Spanish

***Lindsey Ann Thiele***

Bishop Neumann Catholic High School

Spanish

***Tori Thomas***

St. Cecilia High School

Spanish

***Eleanor Ward***

Millard North High School

French, Spanish, Italian

***Kailee Woita***

Bishop Neumann Catholic High School

Spanish

More information about the Nebraska Seal of Biliteracy can be found online at:

[www.education.ne.gov/worldlanguage/nebraska-seal-of-biliteracy](http://www.education.ne.gov/worldlanguage/nebraska-seal-of-biliteracy).

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