Navajo Nation Seal of Bilingual Proficiency Assessment

Definition of Navajo Language Proficiency: Student must be able to speak accurately, easily, conjugate verbs correctly, convey meaning through complex sentences, and communicate effectively and competently.

Seal of Bilingual Proficiency:

- Proficiency assessment for graduating high school seniors only.
- Schools must submit student registration to Navajo Nation DODE/OSCAD at least 10 days prior to testing date.
- Seniors must complete the assessment during one of the scheduled dates and locations.
- Seniors have the option of retaking the assessment.
- An official letter from the NN with the test result will be sent to the student’s respective school within 15 working days.
- School official(s) will notify students of test results.
- Only those students who successfully pass the proficiency assessment will be recommended by their school official(s) to the State to receive the Bilingual Seal.

Contents of Seal of Bilingual Proficiency Assessment:

- Appropriate introduction of self (clan, born for, maternal grandfathers, paternal grandfathers, where their mother’s home area is, their parents and grandparents, related clans, personal interests, hobbies, goals, etc…).
- Oral presentation on a given topic. (Topics provided by OSCAD)
- Answer a set of questions. (Questions provided by OSCAD)
- Summary/analysis of a video clip on a cultural topic.
- Entire assessment must be performed in Navajo.

Scoring Criteria

Scoring will be based on a language proficiency rubric in the following categories:

- Introduction
- Oral Presentation
- Answering Questions
- Summary/Analysis of Video Clip

Testing Schedule and Location:

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Students must bring a photo identification.
Students must arrive and sign-in 30 minutes prior to testing.

Additional Information

The Navajo Language Bilingual Seal Assessment will not fulfill any of the following course requirements; moreover, the following courses will not be used to satisfy the Navajo Nation Seal of Bilingual Proficiency Assessment.

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