## Students

## AWARDS FOR ACHIEVEMENT

The Governing Board encourages excellence as a goal for all students and wishes to publicly recognize students for exemplary achievement in academic, athletic, extracurricular, or community service activities.

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement) (cf. 5127 - Graduation Ceremonies and Activities) (cf. 6142.4 - Service Learning/Community Service Classes)

### **District/School Awards**

Student awards may include verbal recognition, a letter, a certificate, a Board resolution, public ceremony, trophy, or plaque.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop criteria for the selection of student award recipients.

### Golden State Seal Merit Diploma

At graduation from high school, special recognition shall be awarded to those students whose academic achievements have been outstanding.

The Superintendent or designee shall identify high school students who have demonstrated mastery of the high school curriculum qualifying them for the Golden State Seal Merit Diploma. (Education Code 51454)

(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)

#### **Biliteracy Award**

The district shall present the State Seal of Biliteracy to each graduating high school student who has attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in one or more languages in addition to English. (Education Code 51460-51464)

(cf. 6142.2 - World/Foreign Language Instruction) (cf. 6174 - Education for English Learners)

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# AWARDS FOR ACHIEVEMENT (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 220 Nondiscrimination 35160 Authority of governing boards 35310-35319 Scholarship and loan funds 44015 Awards to employees and students 51243-51245 Credit for private school foreign language instruction 51450-51455 Golden State Seal Merit Diploma 51460-51464 State Seal of Biliteracy 52164.1 Assessment of English language skills of English learners <u>CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5</u> 876 Golden State Seal Merit Diploma 1632 Credit for private school foreign language instruction 11510-11516 Assessment of English language development

Management Resources:

<u>WEB SITES</u> CSBA: <u>https://www.csba.org/</u> California Department of Education: <u>http://www.cde.ca.gov</u> Californians Together: <u>http://www.californianstogether.org</u>

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