

Name of School:

Name of Course: AP French

Instructor Information

Name:

E-mail address:

School phone number:

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Best times to be reached:

Course Description

Advanced Placement French, for upper level students, is a three term course with content and outcomes equivalent to a third-year, college level conversation and composition course. Special emphasis is given to developing the five components of World Language learning: listening, speaking, reading, writing and culture. The primary goal is polishing language skills for accurate, real-life communication. Students in AP French may elect to take the Advanced Placement Exam.

District Standards and Power Benchmarks:

Communication: communicate in languages other than English.

Cultures: gain knowledge and understanding of other cultures.

Connections: connect with other disciplines and acquire information.

Comparisons: develops insight into the nature of language and culture.

Communities: participate in multilingual communities at home and around the world.

Course Information

This course is a three term elective course. One and a half credits are awarded upon the completion of all terms. A minimum of four years of prior language study is recommended.

Course Outline/Calendar

Assignments include, but are not limited to: daily homework, daily conversations in the target language, increasingly more complex writing assignments, vocabulary quizzes, tests based on major grammar components, reading, quizzing and testing of short stories, projects based on French films, memorized poetry selections, videotaped speaking activities, timed speaking activities replicating AP exam situations, released AP exams, optional AP French Language exam in May.

Text/Other Required Materials/Resources

Students will need the following materials for class: a workbook, Cours Superieur de Francais-purchased by student, a notebook, and something with which to write.

Instructional Procedures & Support

Methods of delivery include but are not limited to: lecture, cooperative groups, computer work, role-playing and peer coaching. Teaching strategies include: note taking, HOTS, peer-teaching and other methods as they apply. Students are expected to study grammar structures, vocabulary, French culture, practice oral skills and develop writing skills. Students are expected to participate in all class activities, using the target language. Homework assignments of approximately one hour in length will be given. Good attendance is essential for success in this course. It is the student's responsibility to make up ALL missed work. Students are expected to complete homework on time. Missed tests and quizzes may be made up before and after school or during a free period. All quizzes and homework assignments must be completed before that unit's test is given. Unit tests must be made up prior to the taking of the next unit test. Failure to make up work within the allotted time will result in a zero. Students may seek help before or after school and peer tutors can also be arranged.

Classroom Management Procedures

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Assessment Plan

Progress reports are sent out at mid-term of every term and report cards are distributed at the end of each term. In addition, conferences are held each term. Grades in AP French class are based totally on points. These points come from the following areas: a French language only contract, quiz points, test points, compositions, homework points, project points, class participation and oral points. Homework is graded in the following manner: 5 points--homework is handed in complete and on time, 2 points--homework is handed in incomplete or late and 0 points--homework is never handed in.

Grading System

The district's grading scale is used. It is:	92-100%	A
	83-91%	B
	68-82%	C
	60-67%	D
	0-59%	F