

Montclair High School

Course Syllabus

Department: World Languages

Course: French

Level: IV

Credits: 5

Course Description:

This course allows students to develop and master the four language communication skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Students will study both the oral and written expression of the language through culturally relevant concepts by reading excerpts from literature or newspapers, using authentic French data and by discussing current events, values and cultural behaviors. This course will prepare students for the advanced study of the French language.

Standards:

7.1 World Languages All students will be able to use a world language in addition to English to engage in meaningful conversation, to understand and interpret spoken and written language, and to present information, concepts, and ideas, while also gaining an understanding of the perspectives of other cultures. Through language study, they will make connections with other content areas, compare the language and culture studied with their own, and participate in home and global communities.

Anchor Text(s):

Text Title	Publisher/Author	Year/Edition	ISBN	Text Distribution
Quant à moi	Jeannette D. Bragger and Donald B. Rice, Heinle Cengage Learning	2013, fifth edition.	ISBN-13 978-1-111-3541-6 ISBN-10: 1-111-35417-0	Hard copy
French Three Years	Blume and Stein; AMSCO School Publications	2006, 2nd edition.	ISBN13:9781567653311 ISBN10:1567653316	Hard copy

Supplementary Materials:

* A three-ring binder, which will be divided into four separate sections. Each section will be clearly labeled: **Travail de classe**, **Grammaire**, and **Vocabulaire et Culture**.

* A folder to keep all the work showing progress for the portfolio.

Units of Study:

Review: Back to School.

Unit 1: Let's eat!

Unit 2: At home.

Unit 3: Let's have fun!

Unit 4: Who are you?

Unit 5: Tell me more!

Unit 6: Yesterday, today and tomorrow.

Proficiencies:

By the end of this course, students will:

- Confidently participate in a class conducted in French.
- Understand Francophone speakers through the use of CDs, films, TV shows, songs, and guest speakers.
- Demonstrate oral communicative skills through activities such as: skits, simulated conversations, oral presentations
- Speak and write French accurately using advanced grammar structures and idiomatic expressions
- Write journal entries in French on assigned topics twice a month.
- Make cross-curricular connections through class discussions and contemporary readings.
- Analyze and discuss cultural themes in the target language.

Evaluation & Assessment:

- Class Work/Participation/Oral proficiency 25%
- Homework 15%
- Tests/ Projects 30%
- Quizzes / journal entries 30%