

WORLD LANGUAGES PROGRAM

A language learning experience offers a number of academic advantages to students. While the obvious advantages of learning about another culture and its languages are the main benefits, language learning instruction provides helpful additional practice in social studies, current events, English and vocabulary. Furthermore, many colleges and universities view high school language courses as an indicator of student ability. In fact, taking two years of the same language courses fulfills the admission requirement set by the Illinois Board of Higher Education for admission into Illinois public universities.

FRENCH

FRENCH 1 (I)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

French 1 introduces students to the fundamental skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in French. Student-centered activities promote the development of oral language skills. The culture and daily life styles of people in French-speaking countries is introduced in this level.

FRENCH 2 (I)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: French 1

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

French 2 students continue the mastery of fundamental skills. Communication continues to be emphasized through a variety of language activities. This level explores topics related to French culture.

FRENCH 3 (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: French 2

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

French 3 students develop and expand their language skills. A major goal of this course is to improve communication by using French

extensively in meaningful student-centered activities. French culture is also studied.

FRENCH 4, (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 11, 12

Prerequisite: French 3

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

French 4 students continue to develop their speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills through a variety of student centered activities. The teacher may choose additional topics, such as culture, history, short stories, poetry, or drama. Discussions take place in French.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH LANGUAGE (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: French 4

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

Advanced Placement (AP) French Language is designed to allow students to increase their proficiency level in each of the four target areas: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Students will review all basic verb tenses and grammar focusing on more advanced study of each. Vocabulary and grammar will be connected to a theme of study based on the six themes determined by the AP College Board. At the end of this course students will be prepared for the French Advanced Placement exam to earn college credit.

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GERMAN

GERMAN 1 (I)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

German 1 introduces students to the fundamental skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in German. Student-centered activities promote the development of oral language skills. The culture and daily life styles of people in German speaking countries is introduced in this level

GERMAN 2 (I)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: German 1

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

German 2 students continue the mastery of fundamental skills. Communication continues to be emphasized through a variety of language activities. This level explores topics related to German culture.

GERMAN 3 (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 11, 12

Prerequisite: German 2

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

German 3 students develop and expand their language skills. A major goal of this course is to improve communication by using German extensively in meaningful student-centered activities. German culture is also studied.

GERMAN 4 (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 11, 12

Prerequisite: German 3

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

German 4 students continue to develop their speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills through a variety of student centered activities. The teacher may choose additional topics, such as culture, history, short stories, poetry, or drama. Discussions take place in German.

SPANISH

SPANISH 1 (I)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

Spanish 1 introduces students to the fundamental skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in Spanish. Student-centered activities promote the development of oral language skills. The culture and daily life styles of people in Spanish speaking countries is introduced in this level.

SPANISH 2 (I)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Spanish 1

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

Spanish 2 students continue the mastery of fundamental skills. Communication continues to be emphasized through a variety of language activities. This level explores topics related to Spanish culture.

SPANISH 3 (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Spanish 2

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

Spanish 3 students develop and expand their language skills. A major goal of this course is to improve communication by using Spanish extensively in meaningful student-centered activities. Spanish culture is also studied.

SPANISH 4 (A)

Length: Two Semesters

Grades: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Spanish 3

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

Spanish 4 students continue to develop their speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills through a variety of student centered activities. The teacher may choose additional topics, such as culture, history, short stories, poetry, or drama. Discussions take place in Spanish.

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH LANGUAGE (A)

Length: *Two Semesters*

Grade: *12*

Prerequisite: *Spanish 4*

This course is subject to a consumable fee.

Advanced Placement (AP) Spanish Language is designed to allow students to increase their proficiency level in each of the four target areas: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The course requires students to complete activities in each of these target areas. Students will be required to use higher levels of thinking skills and language skills to analyze and synthesize both fiction and non-fiction material. In addition to increasing their abilities in the target areas, students can expect to gain a deeper understanding of the history of Spanish cultures, as well as politics and social issues. Students are highly encouraged to take the AP exam.

SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS 1 & 2 (A)

Length: *Multiple Semesters*

Grades: *9, 10, 11, 12*

Prerequisite: *Placement by Proficiency Test or Participants in Bilingual Program*

Spanish for Heritage Speakers is designed for students who have proficiency in speaking and understanding Spanish. In this course students will refine their verbal and listening skills while working to expand their academic vocabulary and improve their ability to read and write in Spanish. The major focus will be on grade-level reading and writing in Spanish. All class content and discussion are in Spanish.