

About French 2

This year in French 2, we will be building upon the skills you were introduced to last year. We will learn new vocabulary and grammar in addition to cultural lessons. We will practice speaking and listening, reading and writing in French. By the end of the year, you will be prepared for level 3 in high school. You can expect online and traditional paper/pencil assignments and tests, group activities, skits and games, videos, and real world application of what you learn. I am excited to work with you this year!

Required Materials

Please note that students must bring ALL of the following materials to class EVERY DAY!

- Pencil and paper
- French binder – 1 inch binder with dividers for 5 sections
- Assignment Notebook (Blue Book)
- Any homework that needs to be turned in
- *Textbook – We have a class set, which means you will keep it in my classroom. However, you will have online access to your textbook. I will help you set this up next week.*

Class Rules – The ABCs of French*

ACT RESPONSIBLY

- When the bell rings, be in your seat and prepared for class with all required materials.
- Complete all class work so that it is work you can be proud of.
- Handle all classroom materials with care.

BE RESPECTFUL

- Treat others the way you would want your best friend to be treated.
- Be helpful and supportive to all classmates.
- Give all classmates personal space to be successful in our class.

COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY

- Show care for others by using kind words, actions, and a respectful tone.
- Be honest through your words and actions.
- Use active listening when others are talking.

*These rules are *in addition to* general school rules. School rules and consequences are listed in the front of your Blue Book. Please familiarize yourself with these.

Consequences

Depending on the severity or recurrence of a behavior problem, the following are possible consequences of breaking any class or school rules:

- Nonverbal reminder
- Verbal reminder
- Student-teacher meeting
- After School Detention (ASD)
- Lunch detention
- Phone call home
- If a particular problem continues, you will be asked to see the dean, who will take disciplinary action. I don't anticipate this happening often; I would much rather work together to make our French class a successful experience for everyone.

Grades

The grade scale I use in my class is the same as the school's. Assignments, quizzes, and tests are entered in as total points and typically not weighted.

90-100% - A
80-89% - B
70-79% - C
60-69% - D
59 or lower—F

Homework

Homework will be collected at the *beginning* of class on the day it is due—typically the day after it was assigned. If it is turned in late, students will earn half the points they would have earned for full credit. Unless otherwise specified, homework assignments will be graded on completion; I want to see that you gave it your best effort. We will go through it in class so you can fix and learn from your mistakes.

Opportunities for Extra Credit

I don't offer a lot of extra credit, so homework, quizzes, and tests are very important. I usually offer a food day for extra credit towards the end of each quarter, but that is usually the only extra credit opportunity. In the rare case that I offer something else, do it! It can only help your grade.

Helpful Hints for a Successful Year

- Copy ALL homework assignments in your Assignment Notebook at the beginning of class. Consult your Assignment Notebook at home and complete assigned work.
- Turn in all assignments on time.
- If you are absent, you have the same number of days you were absent to make up your work for full credit. For example, if you were absent two days, you have two days after you return to make up your work for full credit. If you turn it in three days later, it will be considered late, and you will receive half credit.
- Organize your French binder, and keep it organized. This means ONLY French papers should be inside, and everything should be in the correct section.
- Check itslearning for the majority of our assignments, activities, links, and agendas. You can easily message me there if you need me.
- If you have a question, ask! I am here to help. ☺

