

Parkway South High School
FRENCH I
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Course description

World language classes focus on *communication and cultural awareness*. You will learn to speak, listen, read, and write through paired practice, small group work, and role plays. Emphasis will be placed upon being able to use language in meaningful, real-life situations. By the end of the year, you will have been introduced to skills, knowledge, and attitudes that will help you live and work in an increasingly global society.

Learning a new language is like learning a sport or musical instrument. It requires dedicated practice and your success depends on the effort you put forth.

Material:

Binder: All students are required to have a separate French binder since you will be given numerous handouts (*Dividers to separate vocabulary, grammar, and activities might be helpful*)

All skills acquisitions will be done using authentic material. We will use Adosphère as a classroom book and resource but these are NOT to be taken home.

Rules of Conduct.

- Come to class on time and prepared to learn.
- Be attentive and courteous at all times.
- Do not eat in class, share food or use canned drinks.
- Use of electronic device in the classroom will be limited to classroom activities.
- Respect others, their property and school property.

Your **citizenship grade** will be based on adherence to the rules of conduct outlined above.

Grading System

A. Grading scale:

	A = 93-100%	A- = 90-92%
B+ = 87-89%	B = 83-86%	B- = 80-82%
C+ = 77-79%	C = 73-76%	C- = 70-72%
D+ = 67-69%	D = 63-66 %	D- = 60-62%
F = 0-59%		

B. Components of Grades:

Formative: Homework, in-class assignments, group work and quizzes	25%	} 18 week semester period (90%)
Interpretive mode (Reading and Listening)	25%	
Interpersonal mode (Oral and Written)	25%	
Presentational mode (Oral or Written)	25%	

C- Semester grades are calculated as follows: the average of all grades earned during the 18 week semester period (90%) plus the semester exam (10%).

Expectations and Procedures

Homework: Students will receive assignments that will be checked for completion and accuracy. **There will be no credit for late assignments.**

Quizzes / Tests: Make-up quizzes or tests (following an explained absence) may be taken during Academic Lab or after school. **Make-up tests should be completed within 1 week of the absence or will earn a zero.**

Cheating: **Both parties** will receive an automatic zero. This applies to all assignments.

Tardies: If you arrive late to class, please come to the classroom quietly, give your pass to the teacher and begin working.

Explained absences: Students are responsible for make-up work after an explained absence. If a student is absent one day, he/she needs to come in the following day. This applies even if it is not an Academic Lab day. **Being absent the day prior to a quiz or test will not excuse the student from taking the quiz.**

Planned Absences: Please, give me 2 day notice for every day that you will be absent so that I can prepare your assignment.

Unexcused absences: **No make-up work will be allowed if absences are not explained.**

Bonne rentrée!