**8th Grade French**

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**Overview**

The goal of this course is to develop speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in French while becoming familiar with the cultures of French-speaking countries. The 8th Grade French course is the final course in a three year sequence that is equivalent to the French Level 1 course in the Upper School. Students who successfully complete the sequence will take the French Level 2 course when they enter the Upper School. The grades that students earn for the 8th Grade French course will appear on their high school transcripts.

**Upper School Placement**

Students wishing to be placed in the French Level 2 Honors course in the Upper School will take the National French Exam in March. Requirements for placement in the French Level 2 Honors course include: minimum ranking of 70th percentile for the National French Exam, minimum average of 93 percent for the course, and demonstration of academic maturity.

**Extra Help**In addition to being available between 7:45 and 8:00 AM and 3:20 and 3:40 PM **by appointment**, I am also available at the regular extra help times *except B week Thursdays*:

**A week**

Monday: 11:10 to 11:25   
Tuesday: 11:10 to 11:25  
Thursday: 11:10 to 11:25  
Friday: 11:10 to 11:25

**B week**

Monday: 11:10 to 11:25   
Tuesday: 11:10 to 11:25  
Thursday: By appointment only  
Friday: 11:10 to 11:25

**Academic Integrity**

* In keeping with the academic honesty policy, the work that any student brings to class should be his or her own, irrespective of whether it is being collected or graded.
* Online dictionaries are acceptable; however, online translators are NOT ACCEPTABLE.

**Materials**

Students should bring the following materials to class every day:

* Plan Book
* *D’Accord* textbook and *Cahier d’élève*
* Chromebook
* Binder with plenty of paper
* Black or blue pen, sharpened pencil and highlighter

**Homework**

Homework will be assigned regularly. **Late homework assignments will not be accepted.**

**Assessments**

Assessments will include grammar quizzes, tests, projects, presentations, writing assignments, interviews, role-plays, skits, listening activities, and online activities.

* ***Final exam will count as 15% of the student’s grade for the year***

**Absence Policy**

Homework will be posted to the homework website on a daily basis and most handouts will be posted to the class page on the FA portal. It is the **student’s responsibility** to check the homework website and to hand in make-up work in a timely manner.